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INFORMATION

Update on Visa Exemption for Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Card Holders (KPP APEC/APEC Business Travel Card) in Indonesia

The Directorate General of Immigration of the Republic of Indonesia allowed foreign businessmen holding the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Card (KPP APEC/APEC Business Travel Card) to enter Indonesia without a visa, effective on September 29th, 2022. KPP APEC is an electronic card issued by an authorized official from a member country of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation based on an agreement and contains the identity of the holder to travel and stay in a country that has given approval. This card is valid in 19 member countries that apply the KPP APEC. The goal is to speed up the process of going in and out of a country for its holders, namely business people who are very concerned about time efficiency. With the KPP APEC, business people no longer need to apply for a visa every time they want to travel to 19 APEC member countries.

Foreign businessmen holding APEC must have a passport with a passport validity period of at least 6 months. They will be allowed to stay in Indonesia for 60 days and cannot be extended. In Indonesia, the KPP APEC is intended for Indonesian citizens with the following qualifications:

- a. A bonafide businessman with positions equivalent to directors and above who leads the company (proven by attaching a photocopy of the company's deed of establishment for document verification)
- b. The company must be equivalent to a Limited Liability Company/Perseroan Terbatas (PT), not Commanditaire Vennootschap (CV), Business Trade/Usaha Dagang (UD) and so on (proven by attaching a photocopy of the Company Business License for document verification).

The requirements that must be met to get the KPP APEC/APEC Business Travel Card are:

1. Fill out the registration ABTC form
2. Application letter from the company (addressed to the Director of Immigration Traffic / Head of Sub-Directorate of Visa)
3. A letter of recommendation from an association of entrepreneurs/professionals (in the form of a letter of recommendation to the person concerned, not a card or sign of a member of a particular association)
4. Bank Reference Letter with balance statement for the last 3 months minimal IDR 500.000.000 (personal account, not company account/husband-wife account or parent-child account)
5. Photocopy of Passport with a minimum validity period of 2 years
6. Proof of business travel for the last 6 months (copy of passport for the last 6 months, at least 3 business trips)
7. Certificate of Police Records/SKCK (Certificate of Good Behavior at least issued by the Resort Police/Regional Police)
8. Photocopy of National Identity Card (job description on ID card must be representative of the business, such as self-employed or private employees)

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