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Client Alert October 2023 Introduction: Golden Visa for Foreign Investors in Indonesia

Overview

On 24 August 2023, the Minister of Law and Human Rights of the Republic of Indonesia enacted Regulation of Minister of Law and Human Rights of the Republic of Indonesia Number 22 of 2023 on Visas and Stay Permits ("**MOLHR Reg. 22/2023**"), which introduces a new visa scheme called "**Golden Visa**" for foreign investors.

A. Overview of Golden Visa

In recent years, the Indonesian government has taken significant efforts to establish a more welcoming environment for foreign investors by offering a range of incentives and opportunities as well as policy reforms and initiatives aimed at accelerating foreign capital inflow. This commitment to attracting and facilitating foreign investment plays a pivotal role in Indonesia's quest for sustainable economy and global competitiveness.

The Golden Visa program has been acknowledged by other countries, among others Portugal, Greece, and Spain, where this type of visa allows foreign investors to obtain residency or citizenship by contributing significant financial investments or contributions to the relevant country.

Under MOLHR Reg. 22/2023, foreign investors can obtain either 5-year or 10-year resident permit ("Limited-Stay Visa"), depending on the value of their investments, as follows:

	5-year visa	10-year visa
Foreign individual investor	the company must be established	the company must be established with
intending to establish a	with issued capital or investment	issued capital or investment value of at
company in Indonesia	value of at least USD 2,500,000 (two	least USD 5,000,000 (five million United
	million five hundred thousand United	States Dollars) or equivalent to IDR
	States Dollars) or equivalent to IDR	76,000,000,000 (seventy-six billion
	38,000,000,000 (thirty-eight billion	Indonesian Rupiahs)
	Indonesian Rupiahs)	
Foreign individual investor	the investment shall be at least USD	the investment shall be at least USD
who does not intend to	350,000 (three hundred fifty	700,000 (seven hundred thousand United
establish a company in	thousand United States Dollars) or	States Dollars) or equivalent to IDR
Indonesia must invest through	equivalent to IDR 5,300,000,000 (five	10,600,000,000 (ten billion six hundred
Indonesian government bonds,	billion three hundred million	million Indonesian Rupiahs)
shares of a publicly listed	Indonesian Rupiahs)	
company in Indonesia, or		
mutual funds from a publicly		
listed company in Indonesia		
Foreigner who will serve as a	a statement of commitment must be	a statement of commitment must be
member of board of directors	provided by the company to be	provided by the company to be
or board of commissioners of a	established, with an investment value	established, with an investment value of
company to be established in	of at least USD 25,000,000 (twenty-	at least USD 50,000,000 (fifty million
Indonesia, which is a branch or	five million United States Dollars) or	United States Dollars) or equivalent to IDR
subsidiary of a company	equivalent to IDR 380,000,000,000	760,000,000,000 (seven hundred sixty
domiciled outside the	(three hundred eighty billion	billion Indonesian Rupiahs)
Indonesian territory	Indonesian Rupiahs)	

B. Benefit and eligibility

Article 33 of MOLHR Reg. 22/2023 stipulates that the Limited-Stay Visa shall be granted to foreigners in relation to foreign direct investment activities, whereby:

- a. the foreigner is an individual investor who intends to establish a company in Indonesia;
- **b.** the foreigner as an individual investor who does not intend to establish a company in Indonesia; and
- c. the foreigner will serve as a member of board of directors or board of commissioners of a company to be established in Indonesia, which is a branch or subsidiary of a company domiciled outside the Indonesian territory. It is noteworthy that visas in this category can only be granted for a maximum of 10 persons (including the board of directors and/or board of commissioners, cumulatively) per company.

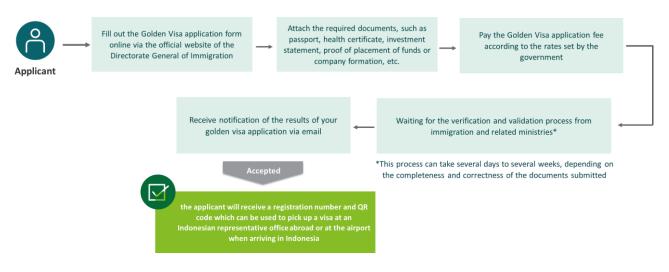
An application for the 5-year or 10-year Limited-Stay Visa shall be submitted by the foreigners through an application to the immigration official appointed at the Directorate General of Immigration by enclosing the following:

- a. current national passports that are legal and still valid for at least six months;
- b. proof of immigration guarantee;
- c. proof of having living expenses for themselves and/or their family while in the Indonesian territory;
- d. recent color passport photo; and
- e. other documents explaining the intention/purpose of the arrival of the foreigners.

By obtaining the Golden Visa, foreigners will be able to experience several benefits as stated under Article 190 of MOLHR Reg. 22/2023, as follows:

- a. priority examination lane at the immigration checkpoints stipulated by the MOLHR;
- b. priority services at the immigration office; or
- c. priority services from related agencies or government institutions, based on a cooperation agreement.

C. Procedures



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