



## Part III – Relaxation of Entry Restriction into Malaysia

According to the latest [news](#) on the announcement made by Senior Minister, Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri on 10 September 2020, there will be relaxation on the entry restriction enforced earlier to the citizen of 23 countries listed below:-

1. United States
2. Brazil
3. India
4. Russia
5. Peru
6. Colombia
7. South Africa
8. Mexico
9. Spain
10. Argentina
11. Chile
12. Iran
13. United Kingdom
14. Bangladesh
15. Saudi Arabia
16. Pakistan
17. France
18. Turkey
19. Italy
20. Germany
21. Iraq
22. Philippines
23. Indonesia

This relaxation is applicable for the following categories of foreigners:

1. Permanent Resident
2. Expatriate, i.e. Employment Pass (EP) or Professional Visit Pass (PVP) holder
3. Resident-Pass Talent (RP-T) holder
4. Spouse to a Malaysian citizen
5. Student's Pass Holder

Nevertheless, these foreigners are required to obtain an Entry Permission from Director General of Immigration Malaysia prior to travelling to Malaysia. The Entry Permission application must be accompanied by a support letter from the relevant regulatory body according to the sponsoring company's nature of business.

### Commentary:

Based on our checking, a foreign national (other than the above 23 restricted countries) or a Malaysia citizen who currently resides in any of these 23 restricted countries would also be required to obtain an Entry Permission from Director General of Immigration Malaysia prior to travelling to Malaysia.

As for the latest announcement on the relaxation, we will await further guidelines from the immigration authority.

In the meantime, we would caution a direct check with KLIA immigration authority (+603 8776 3681) if you have any urgent impending travels which will be impacted by the announcement.

### Your next step

If you have any questions or require any assistance on the above, please contact our Global Employer Services (GES) team to find out how we can help you.

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