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Russia - 2010 Quota Lists Approved; Get Ready for 2011



The federal migration authorities in Moscow have at last approved individual company quota lists for 2010, according to the order of the Federal Service of Employment 34 dated 5 February 2010.

As many of our clients will know, Russia operates a quota system for work permits. Every year, a total number of work permits is allocated on a federal level. This total number is divided by region, and then companies in each region must apply for quota places according to their projected need for foreign national workers over the course of the coming year (as stated in the labour forecast which must be submitted by 1 May each year for the following calendar year). Approved quota places are announced at the beginning of each calendar year. Emigra Ogletree Worldwide, and our clients, have been waiting patiently since January for the approvals for 2010 to be announced and so it is with great pleasure that we can confirm that these are finally here.

Companies registered in Russia which applied for a quota approval for 2010 should have received notification of the places approved. For Emigra Ogletree Worldwide's clients, we have received notification of approved positions directly and have, of course, contacted all relevant parties immediately.

Where quota approvals have been received, we can now move forward with submitting work permit applications.

Companies who need additional quota approvals may submit 2010 labour forecast amendment applications. Emigra Ogletree Worldwide, in conjunction with our representatives in Moscow, can handle these applications. Reasons for such an application include:

1. because a labour forecast was not submitted at all for 2010
2. because additional positions are now requested which had not been anticipated on the 2010 labour forecast, or
3. because the approved quota issued for 2010 is far below what the company requires and had requested on the labour forecast.

Note that 2010 labour forecast amendment applications must be accompanied by significant supporting documentation justifying the need for the amendment and are approved only at the discretion of the authorities. 2010 labour forecast amendment applications are currently being reviewed by committee every two weeks; the next meeting of the committee is scheduled for 3 March 2010. Contact Emigra for assistance with such applications.

Finally, it is important to note that **foreign labour forecasts for 2011 should be prepared now** as the deadline for submission of these is 1 May 2010.

Emigra Ogletree Worldwide can assist with the preparation of labour forecasts as well as quota applications and, of course, all work permit and visa applications for Russia.

What you need to do...

- If you have not already, contact Emigra Ogletree Worldwide to move forward with work permit applications now that quotas for 2010 have been approved.
- Contact Emigra Ogletree Worldwide if your company has a need for a foreign labour forecast amendment for 2010.
- Note that labour forecasts for 2011 must be submitted before 1 May 2010. Contact Emigra Ogletree Worldwide for assistance with labour forecast preparation if required.

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