

# Checklist for the Issuance of a Visa for **PRIVATE SERVANTS**

of staff members of diplomatic missions, permanent missions, consular posts and international organizations based in Switzerland

#### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

- This checklist is only intended for those who have received a job offer as a private servant from staff members of diplomatic missions, permanent missions, consular posts and international organizations based in Switzerland. It is not for those who are still looking for employment abroad.
- Applicants are required to appear personally to lodge their visa applications. No appointment needed. Kindly file your application during Embassy's visiting hours.
- Please make sure that you have all the necessary documents and fees when you apply. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

### Visa requirements:

During your appointment, please bring the original documents listed below and provide the	<b>✓</b>
Embassy with <u>clear photocopies</u> . <u>Do not</u> staple the documents together.	•
One (1) visa application form, which must be completely and properly filled-out and signed by	1
the applicant (write in block letters and use black or blue ink only). The form may be obtained for	1
free from the Embassy or downloaded from the following link:	1
http://www.bfm.admin.ch/bfm/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html	
Two (2) identical, clear and coloured passport-sized photos (With white background; Must be	1
taken within the last six months; Please do not staple the photos on the form.)	
Valid passport (Must be valid at least 3 months from the end of the approved duration stay; Must	1
contain at least 2 blank visa pages.)	
Photocopy of valid passport as well as old passports (Inside front cover containing holder's	1
personal information and photo; Inside back cover containing "Important reminders", signature and	1
other passport information.)	
Photocopy of <u>all</u> visas (valid and expired)	
Original signed private servant's declaration	
Original signed employer's guarantee	
Original written work contract, based on a model from the DFAE and countersigned by the	
DFAE.	
For foreign nationals who have valid residence status in the Philippines, submit also a copy	
of the Alien Certificate of Registration (ACR) and Re-Entry permit	

The requirements listed are applicable to Filipino citizens and foreign nationals who have valid residence status in the Philippines.

**Visa processing and issuance:** Five (5) working days at the minimum.

# **VISA PROCESSING FEE: gratis**

- In any case, it is NOT allowed to begin working without the necessary work or entry visa.
- There are no immigration programs.
- The Embassy does not dispose of information on job vacancies in Switzerland / Liechtenstein, nor is in a position to provide assistance in terms of recruitment

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