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AUTOMATION OF FOREIGNER ASSURANCE PROCESS

The Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) is committed to customer services and the effective and efficient processing of applications and associated information.

As from 01/12/2023, CIPC will be launching the online Foreigner Assurance service on CIPC's e-Services.

The foreigner assurance process will allow foreign nationals to submit their information electronically together with a certified copy of their passport / identity document to the CIPC for manual assurance, before they can be appointed as directors on companies, close corporations, and co-operatives. This information will be phased into the following services, over a period: -

- Director amendments (date of integration will be communicated)
- New company registrations (date of integration will be communicated)
- Co-operative registration and director amendments (date of integration will be communicated)
- Beneficial ownership (date of integration will be communicated).

Foreign national information is only accepted and processed via the CIPC e-Services platform since BizPortal, Mobile App, and Self-Service Terminals are for South African Identity Card / Identify Document holders only.

For any further enquiries, kindly log a ticket via www.cipc.co.za / enquiries.

Kind Regards

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