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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MIGRATION OFFICER

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL CLIENTS REGARDING END OF YEAR SHUT DOWN AND LAST DATE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS

This Public Notice serves to advise the General Public and our valued clients that the Immigration and Citizenship Services Authority (ICSA) office and counters will be closed for general business from **12pm, Friday 15 December 2023**.

This closure of ICSA offices and counters is to enable staff to clear outstanding applications before the official festive period shutdown.

All ICSA offices and counters will reopen for normal business on **Tuesday, 2 January 2024**.

No new applications, or applications for an extension will be accepted after close of business Friday, 15 December 2023. This includes all applications for work permits, entry permits, permanent residence, PNG passports and Citizenship, and includes both paper and electronically lodged applications.

Please note that only PNG passport and visa applications that are submitted in an emergency will be accepted after this date.

ICSA encourages all clients to consider their circumstances carefully, including their future travel and recruitment requirements, and submit applications prior to or by close of business on Friday 15 December 2022. Adherence to this time frame allows sufficient time for the office to process all requests for the year 2023.

We value our clients, and we seek your understanding of this information, and appreciate your cooperation to this public notice to ensure applications can be processed efficiently before the closure of the office for the festive season.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a safe and restful festive period.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stanis", with a horizontal line underneath.

STANIS HULAHAU
Chief Migration Officer

14 November, 2023