

Press Release

Statistics of Investment Residency in the First Half of 2010

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In the first half of 2010, a total of 227 applications for temporary residency for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders were received by the Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM) (a decrease of 231 compared with the same period last year), 7 applications for major investment and investment plans (a decrease of 6 compared with the same period last year), representing 97% and 3% of the total of 234 new applications in the first half-year of 2010. Approved cases for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders amounted to 310 (an increase of 145 compared with the same period last year), approved applications for major investment and investment plans totalled 9 (an increase of 1 compared with the same period last year).

In accordance with the Administrative Regulation No. 7/2007, temporary residency applications for fixed asset purchases have been suspended since 4 April 2007. There were over 4,000 applications lodged before the closing date of the policy and are still being processed. Therefore, there were no new residency applications for fixed assets purchases while all of the 120 already approved cases were lodged before 4 April 2007.

Statistics of Investment Residency Applications and the Cases and Number of Beneficiaries in the First Half-Year of 2010

	Fixed assets		Managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders		Major investment and investment plans		Applications for renewal and residency of family members		Total	
	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year
Applications in the first half-year of 2010	0	0	227	-231	7	-6	2,818	-189	3,052	-426
Approved applications in the first half-year of 2010⁽¹⁾	120	-1,065	310	+145	9	+1	3,530	+1,323	3,969	+404
Number of Beneficiaries in the first half-year of 2010⁽¹⁾	334	-2,929	503	+239	22	+7	553 ⁽²⁾	+168	1,412	-2,515

⁽¹⁾ Figures of approved applications for fixed asset purchases only refer to those registered cases as of 4 April 2007 when the Administrative Regulation were in effect, figures of approved cases in other categories include all applications submitted during and before 2010.

⁽²⁾ figures only cover the number of additional family members in the application;

For further enquiries on the residency application guidelines, please contact IPIM by visiting the website: www.ipim.gov.mo, email: gjfr@ipim.gov.mo, tel: 28712055 or fax: 28713950. Applicants may also visit the website and enquire about the progress of their residency application status online.