

HIGH COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

Information for Cypriot nationals living or planning to live in the UK following the triggering of Article 50 by the UK Government

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Message from the High Commissioner

Dear compatriots,

Following the triggering of Article 50 of the Treaty of the EU by the UK Government the issue of the current and future status of EU nationals living or working in the country is high on the agenda.

The High Commission of Cyprus realizes that this specific issue is of interest and concern to many of you already living or working in the United Kingdom. Thus, we will be at your disposal for providing information and guidance over the months to come and as the negotiations for Brexit progress.

Our aim will be to provide you with an updated version of this information, on a periodic basis, following advice and guidance given to us by the Home and Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

As already mentioned, the staff of the Consular Department of the High Commission of Cyprus in the UK are at your disposal for any assistance or information you may require.

Euripides L. Evriviades High Commissioner The High Commission of Cyprus in the UK would like to inform that the Home Office of the Government of the UK has announced, on the 7 April 2017, its guidance, as shown below, regarding the Status of EU member states nationals who live or planning to visit/live in the UK, following the triggering of Article 50.

"EU nationals who have lived in the UK for more than 5 years

You do not need to do anything as a result of Article 50 being triggered.

Permanent residence status is a right that EU nationals can get under EU law. This will not change while the UK is part of the EU.

EU nationals who have lived in the UK for less than 5 years

You do not need to do anything as a result of Article 50 being triggered. There will be no change to the rights and status of EU nationals living in the UK while the UK remains in the EU.

EU nationals who are planning to visit or live in the UK

EU nationals continue to have a right to enter and live in the UK. There will be no change to the rights and status of EU nationals living in the UK while the UK remains in the EU.

Non-EU family members of EU nationals

There will be no change to the rights and status of non-EU family members of EU nationals while the UK remains in the EU. If you're from the EU but your family member isn't, they continue to have a right to live in the UK.

- if they are already living in the UK
- if they are not yet living with you in the UK

Extended family members of EU nationals

There will be no change to the rights and status of extended family members of EU nationals while the UK remains in the EU".

Cypriot nationals who live or are planning to live in the United Kingdom, are kindly requested to follow the guidance given by local authorities and follow the media for relevant future announcements.

All interested citizens can sign up for receiving email alerts about developments that might affect them, including the steps that they may need to take to confirm their status after the UK leaves the EU in the following link:

https://gov.smartwebportal.co.uk/homeoffice/public/webform.asp?id=67&id2=627DF7

For any additional information, Cypriot nationals may contact the Consular Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the High Commission of Cyprus in the UK.

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Consular Services for Cypriot Travelers/Permanent Residents Abroad:

http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2016.nsf/All/FBDBFC2E3B44A754C22580250029E332?OpenDocument

Information for the acquisition of Cypriot citizenship:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.moi.gov.cy/moi/CRMD/crmd.nsf/All/E84172965E9BEEC6C2257D1E0025C46A?OpenDocument}}$

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Useful UK Government Websites:

UK Visas and Immigration:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration

UK residence for EU citizens:

https://www.gov.uk/eea-registration-certificate

Apply for a UK residence card:

https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-uk-residence-card

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