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Immigration Services Agency

**Extension of the period for acceptance of applications in order to prevent the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19)**

In light of the various circumstances associated with the impact of COVID-19 and from the perspective of preventing the spread of COVID-19, as a measure to reduce congestion at the immigration counters for residency applications, the immigration counters will be accepting applications to change the status of residence and applications to extend the period of stay from those foreign nationals (excluding foreign nationals with the status of residence of “Designated Activities (Departure Preparation Period)”) whose expiration date (see note) for their period of stay is due in March, April, May or June for an extended period of three months from the expiration date of the period of stay of the relevant foreign national.

\* Updated on April 3

Foreign nationals whose expiration date for the period of stay is in May or June are also newly covered, and applications from foreign nationals whose expiration date for the period of stay is March or April will also be accepted for a period of three months from the expiration date of the period of stay. In

addition, those who are staying with the status of residence of “Temporary Visitor” have also been included.

Note. This includes those who are required to apply for acquisition of a status of residence in March, April, May or June such as those who were born in Japan.

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(COVID-19) from Immigration Services Agency →  
(Ministry of Justice website)



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