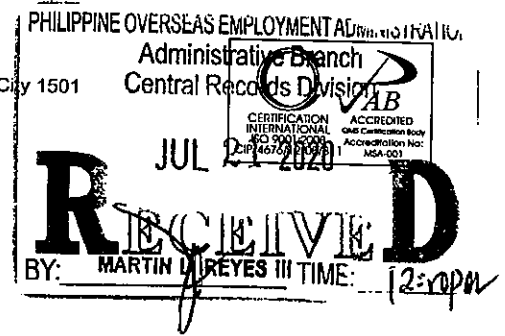




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**Amendments to the Decisions Previously Issued  
by the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship of the United Arab Emirates**

The United Arab Emirates Cabinet approved various amendments on decisions related to the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship, including the following:

1. All previous decisions related to the validity of residency visas for expatriates, visas, entry permits and identity cards are no longer valid effective 11 July 2020;
2. Charges for visa services will now resume, effective 12 July 2020;
3. A grace period of three months has been granted to Emiratis, GCC citizens and residents to renew documents, while those who spent less than six months outside UAE were given one month from the date of entering UAE to renew their documents;
4. Residents who are staying outside of UAE and whose residency visas have expired as of 01 March 2020 or have exceeded a period of six months outside UAE were granted a grace period to return to UAE, effective from the date of the opening of the airspace between the two countries as per specific schedule as determined by the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship (ICA); and
5. Administrative fees or fines shall be collected after the end of the said deadlines. No fines will be collected during the exemption period. Administrative fees and fines shall be reactivated on all services provided by the authority from 12 July 2020.

The Cabinet decision was made with the return to normalcy in various field and sectors and the return of the international air traffic as the national carriers in the country announced the launching of repatriation flights.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

  
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