

Amendment to the law on Determining the Nationality of Children Born from a Marriage of Iranian Women and Foreign Men

Single act – The title, single article, and notes of the law for determining the nationality of children born from a marriage of Iranian woman and foreign man, adopted on 24 September 2006, shall be amended as follows:

The Law on Determining the Nationality of Children Born from a Marriage of Iranian Women and Non-Iranian Men

Single act – Children born from a sharia marriage of Iranian women and non-Iranian men, which has been born before or will be born after the adoption of this law, before they reach the full age of 18 - based on the solar calendar - at the request of their Iranian mother shall be granted Iranian nationality if had no security violations background (determined by the Ministry of Intelligence and the Intelligence Organization of the IRGC). The aforementioned children, upon reaching the full age of 18 based on the solar calendar, in the absence of their Iranian mother's request, may apply for Iranian nationality and if they had no security violations background (determined by the Ministry of Intelligence and the Intelligence Organization of the IRGC) they shall be granted Iranian nationality. The results of the security checks must be provided within three months and the Disciplinary Force [Police] is obligated to act for the issuance of a residence permit for the non-Iranian father if had no security violations background (determined by the Ministry of Intelligence and the Intelligence Organization of the IRGC).

Note 1 – In case the applicant's father or mother is not alive or accessible, where there is a doubt on the proof of lineage, a competent court shall ascertain the lineage.

Note 2 – Persons without nationality who themselves and at least one of their parents had been born in Iran, can apply for Iranian nationality upon reaching the full age of 18 based on the solar calendar, which will be granted Iranian nationality if they had no criminal records and security violations background (determined by the Ministry of Intelligence and the Intelligence Organization of the IRGC).

The Aforementioned law was adopted during the open meeting of the Islamic Consultative Assembly on Tuesday 24th September 2019 and was approved by the Guardian Council on 2nd October 2019.