

Migration (United Nations Security Council Resolutions) Regulations 2007¹

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I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following Regulations under the *Migration Act 1958*.

Dated 21 June 2007

P. M. JEFFERY Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

KEVIN ANDREWS
Minister for Immigration and Citizenship

1 Name of Regulations

These Regulations are the Migration (United Nations Security Council Resolutions) Regulations 2007.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on 1 July 2007.

3 Repeal

The following regulations are repealed:

- (a) Migration (Sierra Leone United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 1171) Regulations 1997;
- (b) Migration (Liberia United Nations Security Council Resolutions) Regulations 2001;
- (c) Migration (Afghanistan United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 1390) Regulations 2002;
- (d) Migration (Côte d'Ivoire United Nations Security Council Resolutions) Regulations 2005.

4 Definitions

In these Regulations:

Act means the Migration Act 1958.

committee means a committee established under a United Nations Security Council Resolution.

resolution means a United Nations Security Council Resolution specified by the Minister, by legislative instrument.

UNSC-designated person has the meaning given by regulation 5.

5 Meaning of UNSC-designated person

A person is a *UNSC-designated person* if, under a resolution, Australia is required to prevent the person entering or transiting through Australian territory.

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6 Application

These Regulations apply despite any provisions in other regulations made under the Act.

7 Special criterion for grant of visas

- (1) This regulation applies in relation to an application for a visa:
 - (a) made, but not finally determined (within the meaning of subsection 5 (9) of the Act), before 1 July 2007; or
 - (b) made on or after 1 July 2007.
- (2) It is a criterion applicable (at the time of decision) to an application for a visa of any class that the Minister is satisfied that:
 - (a) the applicant is not a UNSC-designated person; or
 - (b) a committee has determined that the applicant's travel to or transit through Australia is justified; or
 - (c) a committee has authorised the applicant's travel to or transit through Australia; or
 - (d) the grant of the visa to the applicant is justified by compelling circumstances.
- (3) Without limiting paragraph (2) (d), compelling circumstances may include the fulfilling of an international obligation owed by Australia.

8 Prescribed ground for cancelling visas (Act s 116)

- (1) This regulation applies to a visa of any class granted before, on or after 1 July 2007.
- (2) For paragraph 116 (1) (g) of the Act, the Minister may cancel a visa if the Minister is satisfied that the holder of the visa is a UNSC-designated person (whether or not the person was a UNSC-designated person at the time of the grant of the visa).

- (3) The Minister must not cancel a visa granted to a UNSC-designated person (whether or not the person was a UNSC-designated person at the time of the grant of the visa) if the Minister is satisfied that:
 - (a) a committee has determined that the person's travel to or transit through Australia is justified; or
 - (b) a committee has authorised the person's travel to or transit through Australia; or
 - (c) a decision not to cancel the visa would be justified by compelling circumstances.
- (4) Without limiting paragraph (3) (c), compelling circumstances may include the fulfilling of an international obligation owed by Australia.

Note

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