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Student visa solutions to be approved by DHA

Points to be confirmed for communication to institutions:

- Visas to be issued for full duration of programmes including following year after completion to include graduation. Institutions to issue letters with full duration of programmes including the date of graduation.
- Visas for study abroad programmes to be issued for one extra month to allow for supplementary examinations, travel, incomplete research, etc. Institutions to issue letters with duration of the study abroad programme that includes the extra month.
- Institutions required to send lists of students who require renewals by 30 September every year but for 2015 by 15 November.
- New Regulations to be communicated properly to all VFS offices and Embassies timeously. IEASA has received numerous complaints regarding the interpretation of the South African Immigration Regulations by Embassy Staff in Cameroon.
- New amendments to regulations to be communicated properly to all VFS offices and Embassies processing student visas.
- Clear communication to VFS offices, Embassies and Higher Education Institutions regarding visa requirements and types of visas to be applied for by Post-Doctoral students.

Signed at Pretoria on the 9th day of Nov 2015

Signature 

Designation Director: Corporate Accounts