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Work Permit for Foreigners

Normative Resolution Nr. 05 of August 21, 1997.

*Concession of permanent visa, or permanent residency, to foreigners who have lost the condition of permanency due to absence from the Country.*

The National Immigration Council, instituted by Law Nr. 8.490 of November 19, 1992, in the use of the powers conferred by Decree Nr. 840, of June 22, 1993,

Resolves:

Art. 1. Establish that the enumeration of the period referred to by Law Nr. 6815/80, be effective when the considered uninterrupted absence of the foreigner is superior to two years.

Art. 2. A new permanent visa or permanent residency may be granted to the foreigner who, having resided permanently in Brazil, leaves the country for a period superior to two uninterrupted years in order to, as proved, realize or complete:

I – Graduation or post-graduation university studies;

II – professional training;

III – research activity for an entity recognized by the Ministry of Science and Technology;

IV – professional activity at the service of the Brazilian Government.

§ 1 . – The visa will be, issued abroad through Brazilian consular or diplomatic missions, or, exceptionally, by the State Secretariat for Foreign Affairs.

§ 2 . – When in an irregular permanency situation in the Country, the Ministry of Justice may grant permanent residency.

Art. 3. The ministry of Justice may authorize, exceptionally, the return to the national territory in the condition of permanent resident or revoke the act of cancellation of the permanent registry of the foreigner who has been absent from the Country for a period superior to the foreseen in art. 1, should the proved reason be of fortuitous or force majeure character.

Art. 4. – The granting of a visa or of permanent residence in the Country, under the terms of this Resolution, will imply the re-establishment of the registration, according to the content of art. 49, § 1 of Law Nr. 6.815/80.

Art. 5. – This Normative Resolution enters into effect on the date of its publication.

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