

## **KAZAKHSTAN LAUNCHES A PILOT PROJECT ON IIN OBTAINMENT AT FOREIGN ESTABLISHMENTS**

On 19 March 2024, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of Digital Development, Innovations and Aerospace Industry of the Republic of Kazakhstan issued a joint order on implementation of a pilot project involving provision of the state service "Formation of an individual identification number for foreigners through foreign establishments of the Republic of Kazakhstan" (Pilot Project).

### **■ TERM AND PLACE**

The Pilot Project will be put into effect starting 13 April and will remain in force until 31 December 2024 for the foreign establishments (embassies and consulates general) of Kazakhstan in 96 countries, including China, Turkey, Baltic countries, Russia, most EU countries, etc.

### **■ IIN OBTAINMENT PROCEDURE**

To obtain an individual identification number (IIN) a foreigner must personally submit an application to a foreign establishment of Kazakhstan for assignment of IIN, attaching a copy of an identification document and its original for verification. If the identification documents does not contain personal particulars of the foreigner in Latin or Cyrillic characters, the document must be submitted with a relevant notarized translation. In turn, such notarization must be legalized or apostilled, except for the member states to the Minsk Convention of 22 January 1993 and the Chisinau Convention of 7 October 2002.

Following the results of IIN formation a foreigner will be issued a relevant registration certificate.

The IIN obtainment term is one business day. It is important that the day of submitting the documents is not included in this term.

### **■ REJECTION TO FORM IIN**

A foreigner may fail to obtain IIN in cases, as follows:

- establishment of unreliability of the submitted documents or information contained therein;
- foreigner's data fail to meet the requirements established by regulatory legal acts of Kazakhstan; and
- detection that the foreigner already has a registered IIN.

\*\*\*

Should you have any additional questions in connection with this Legal Update, we would be happy to provide more detailed information.

**Contact details:**

**Yuliya Chumachenko**

Partner

y.chumachenko@aequitas.kz

**Yerbol Almen**

Associate

y.almen@aequitas.kz

Legal Updates shall not be treated as a legal advice or a reason for making specific decisions on the Kazakh law issues. Should you need a legal advice, we would be happy to assist.