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Annex 16

Third countries whose nationals or specific categories of such third country nationals who are subject to prior consultation¹

Under Article 22 of the Visa Code, a Member State may require the central authorities of other Member States to consult its central authorities during the examination of visa applications lodged by nationals of specific third countries or specific categories of such nationals.

Such consultation does not apply to applications for airport transit visas.

The table below lists the third countries and the specific categories concerned. When a third country is listed it means that at least one Member State requires such prior consultation.

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| Third countries | Specific categories concerned, if applicable |
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| Afghanistan | |
| Algeria | |
| Azerbaijan | |
| Bangladesh | |
| Belarus | Applies only to holders of diplomatic and service passports. |
| D.R. Congo | |
| Egypt | Does not apply to holders of diplomatic and service passports. |
| Eritrea | |
| Ethiopia | |
| Iran | |
| Iraq | |
| Jordan | |
| Kazakhstan | Does not apply to holders of diplomatic passports |
| Kenya | |
| Kirgizstan | |
| (North) Korea | |
| Kuwait | |
| Lebanon | |
| Libya | |
| Maldives | |
| Mali | |
| Mauritania | |
| Morocco | |
| Niger | |
| Nigeria | |

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| Pakistan | |
| Palestine ² | |
| Russian Federation | |
| Rwanda | |
| Qatar | |
| Saudi Arabia | |
| Somalia | |
| South Sudan | |
| Sri Lanka | |
| Sudan | |
| Syria | |
| Tajikistan | |
| Tunisia | |
| Turkmenistan | |
| Uzbekistan | |
| Vietnam | |
| Yemen | |

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| Category of persons | |
| Refugees | |
| Stateless Persons | |

² This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of the Member States on this issue