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Terms and Conditions

These terms and conditions shall remain binding upon the applicant who has been granted permanent residence and shall be of full force and effect upon the applicant until the end of the 5-year retention period. MAS reserves the right to add to, vary, modify or amend the Financial Investor Scheme terms and conditions at any time. Any false declarations or willful suppression of material facts will render the application liable for disqualification. The Immigration & Checkpoints Authority's (ICA) Form 4 also states that "it is an offence under the Immigration Act to make any false statement, representation or declaration in connection with the application."

(A) ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant shall place in Singapore at least SGD 5 million of assets ("Minimum Sum¹") to be **booked and managed** by a financial institution regulated by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("Financial Institution"). The Minimum Sum shall comprise financial assets² of not less than SGD 3 million and an amount not exceeding SGD 2 million in properties³.
2. The financial assets shall be placed with a Financial Institution. Existing financial assets placed with the Financial Institution can be included as part of the Minimum Sum.
3. The applicant shall have minimum Net Personal Assets (NPA) of SGD 20 million.
4. The application is subject to the final assessment of the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority of Singapore ("ICA").

(B) ACCOMPANYING FAMILY MEMBERS

5. Applicants may include their immediate family members, comprising spouse and unmarried children aged below 21 years in the same application⁴. On reaching 16 years, male children holding permanent residence status are liable for National Service⁵.
6. Parents and parents-in-law may also be included in the same application⁶ if the applicant maintains an additional amount of SGD 2.5 million in financial assets for each parent or parent-in-law.
7. For unmarried children aged above 21 years, separate applications shall be submitted together with the main application⁷ and an additional amount of SGD 5 million in financial assets shall be maintained⁸ in the designated account.

(C) APPROVAL PROCESS

8. In-principle approval of PR status will be granted by the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) following submission of the requisite documents and satisfactory evaluation of application(s). The requisite documents include:
 - a. Financial Investor Scheme Application Form
 - b. ICA Form 4
 - c. Annex A of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form – "NPA Declaration".
 - d. Annex D of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form – "Role of the Financial Institution".
9. Final approval of PR status will be granted by ICA upon receipt of these documents:
 - a. Written confirmation from the Financial Institution that the applicant has placed at least SGD 3 million of financial assets with the Financial Institution and invested up to SGD 2 million in a property (Annex B of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form - "Assets under Management Declaration"). A certified true copy of the certificate of title/title deeds of the property should also be submitted to MAS as proof of the purchase.

(The applicant has 6 months from the date of in-principle approval of PR status to place fully the Minimum Sum in Singapore. During these 6 months, the applicant may remain in Singapore on a 3-month Social Visit Pass, renewable for a further 3 months.)

- b. A copy of the undertaking given by the Financial Institution and the applicant that they will observe and abide by the reporting requirements in respect of the designated account as set out in Annex C of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form - "Undertaking Between Applicant and Financial Institution". If the applicant has purchased a Sentosa Cove Bungalow, the applicant would also have to submit Annex C-1 of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form – "Undertaking Between Applicant and Sentosa Cove Pte Ltd".
- c. Satisfactory completion of administrative formalities required by ICA and through the issue of an Entry Permit by the Controller of Immigration.

(D) MAINTENANCE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

10. The financial assets shall be held for a continuous period of 5 years ("5-year retention period"), commencing from the date of issuance of the Entry Permit.
11. The financial assets shall be **booked and managed** in a designated account with the Financial Institution⁹. The applicant shall obtain an undertaking from the Financial Institution¹⁰ to observe and abide by the reporting requirements in respect of the designated account. Reporting requirements are set out in Annex C of the Financial Investor Scheme Application Form - the "Undertaking Between Applicant and Financial Institution".
12. Compliance with the terms and conditions of the Financial Investor Scheme will facilitate the first renewal of the Re-entry permit. All subsequent renewals of the re-entry permit are subject to the satisfactory assessment of ICA. The applicant is not required to comply with the terms and conditions of the Financial Investor Scheme after the first renewal of the re-entry permit.
13. Withdrawal of Financial Assets
 - a. The applicant may withdraw ONLY interest income, capital gains and dividend income, from the designated account during the 5-year retention period.
 - b. If the value of the assets falls below the Minimum Sum (for reasons due to the performance of investments), there will be no need to top up the designated account affected.
14. Change of Financial Institution / Transfer of Financial Assets
 - a. The applicant may transfer financial assets from one Financial Institution to another Financial Institution at any time during the 5-year retention period, provided that the total value of the financial assets withdrawn, except interest income, capital gains and dividend income for the current calendar year, is transferred in full to the new Financial Institution. The Applicant or the previous Financial Institutions shall notify MAS within 7 working days of the change.
 - b. The new Financial Institution shall submit an updated Annex A, B, C (C1, if applicable), D.
15. Annual Report

The Financial Institution shall submit an annual report to MAS within 1 month of the end of each calendar-year stating the value of the applicant's financial assets held in the designated account and ascertain and confirm that the applicant still holds the relevant property for residential purposes.

(E) MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTY

16. The relevant property shall be held for residential purposes for a continuous period of 5 years, commencing from the date of issuance of the Entry Permit.
17. Disposal of property
 - a. In cases where the applicant disposes of the property during the 5-year retention period, the applicant shall ensure that the amount of financial assets in the designated account remains equivalent to the minimum sum maintenance for continued eligibility and compliance with the Scheme.

- b. The Financial Institution shall notify MAS within 7 working days of any disposal of the property. The Financial Institution shall also inform MAS of the date of the contract for sale and purchase of the property, as well as the identity of the purchaser, the amount of sales proceeds, and the amount of re-investment.
- c. If the applicant has purchased a Sentosa Cove Bungalow, the applicant shall notify SCPL within 7 working days of any disposal of the Sentosa Cove Bungalow and SCPL will in turn notify MAS. The applicant shall also notify SCPL of the date of the contract for sale and purchase of the Sentosa Cove Bungalow, as well as the identity of the purchaser, the amount of sales proceeds, the identity of the recipient FI and the amount of re-investment.
- d. The applicant has up to one month from completion of sale of the property to comply with the minimum sum maintenance for continued eligibility and compliance with the Scheme. The Financial Institution shall submit an updated Annex B "AUM declaration" to MAS.

(F) CITIZENSHIP

- 18. Applicants may apply for citizenship after residing in Singapore as a PR for 2 years.
 - Absences from Singapore due to official business may be treated as residence for purpose of citizenship application on a case-by-case basis.
- 18. Applicants who are granted citizenship during the 5-year retention period will no longer need to comply with the terms and conditions of the Financial Investor Scheme.

¹ The Minimum Sum may increase should the applicant include parents and parents-on-law in the application. See (B) 6.

² Financial assets can be in any or all of the following forms: (i) bank deposits; (ii) capital markets products; (iii) collective investment schemes; (iv) premiums paid in respect of life insurance policies; and (v) other investment products.

³ The eligible Singapore property is subject to the foreign ownership restrictions under the Residential Properties Act. Only newly acquired property purchased within 6 months from the formal submission of the application for residential purposes can be included under Option B. In addition, only monies paid towards the purchase of the property at the submission of Annex B may count towards the Minimum Sum.

⁴ The applicant's spouse must individually complete an ICA Form 4. Applications from accompanying family members may be submitted subsequently. Upon approval of such application(s), the re-entry permit granted will be for a duration equal to the remainder of the validity period of the main applicant's re-entry permit.

⁵ A male main applicant will be exempted from National Service. However, male ex-Singapore citizens and ex-Singapore Permanent Residents who are subsequently granted Singapore Permanent Resident status may be liable to be called up for National Service under the Enlistment Act.

⁶ Each parent and parent-in-law must individually complete an ICA Form 4.

⁷ Each unmarried child aged above 21 years must individually complete his own ICA Form 4 and shall submit the form together with his applicant parent.

⁸ Alternatively, parents, parents-in-law and unmarried children above 21 years of age of the applicant are eligible to apply for Long-Term Social Visit Passes (LTSVP), which are renewable and tied to the validity period of the applicant's re-entry permit.

⁹ The designated account shall be in the name of the applicant, a company where the applicant has 100% beneficial ownership or a trust where the applicant shall be the sole settlor of the trust.

¹⁰ Where applicable, a Trustee may undertake the reporting requirement on behalf of each Financial Institution.