# Immigration Alert



# **Registration of Non-ECOWAS Citizens**

# With the Electronic Passenger Automated Registration System (e-PaRs)

Following the successful installation of necessary equipment at various international airports, some state Commands of the Nigerian Immigration Service (NIS) and the NIS headquarters, the Nigerian Immigration Service has announced, via a circular dated 6<sup>th</sup> of October, 2015, the compulsory registration of all non-ECOWAS citizens who arrive or depart Nigeria via the e-PaRs.

Non-ECOWAS citizens who have exceeded their permitted stay in Nigeria shall under the new directive be required to pay fees for the extended period going forward.

Payment of fees shall be made via any **Sterling Bank Plc** branch in Nigeria. In accordance with the new directive, the applicable fees are as follows:

S/N	PERIOD	FEE
1	A stay for a period	\$200 or Naira
	exceeding fifty-six (56) days	equivalent
2	A stay for a period not	\$200 or Naira
	exceeding ninety (90) days	equivalent
3	A stay for a period	\$1,000 or Naira
	exceeding ninety (90) days	equivalent
	but not exceeding one	
	hundred and eighty (180)	
	days	
4	A stay for a period	\$2,000 or Naira
	exceeding one hundred and	equivalent
	eighty (180) days but not	·
	exceeding three hundred	
	and sixty-five (365) days	

This initiative by the NIS is aimed at strengthening the internal security, safety of visitors and ensuring that the migration of unauthorized non- ECOWAS immigrants are checked.

The directive takes immediate effect.

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