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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic presents its compliments to all Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to the Lao PDR and has the honour to inform the latter that the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism has issued a travel advisory, No. 26/MICT dated 17 June 2024, regarding the Visit Laos Year 2024, with the aim of attracting more foreign travellers and facilitating travel to Laos. The Visit Laos Year 2024 measures will be in force from 01 July until 31 December 2024. The details are as follows:

1. All tourist groups wishing to travel to Lao PDR, they need to register with a travel agency based in Lao PDR accredited by the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism, and submit a list of tourist to the Immigration Department for consideration and facilitation.
2. Chinese tourists are permitted to travel with the group through a travel agency based in Lao PDR accredited by the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism are exempted to obtain a visa to enter Lao PDR with the duration of stays up to 15 days.
3. Individual foreign travellers with passports from Australia, New Zealand, the United States of America, Canada, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom are able to apply for a multiple entry visa to Lao PDR through the Embassy or Consulate General of Lao PDR abroad and extend the duration of stays from 30 days to 60 days. For those who would prefer to apply for a visa on arrival or E-Visa, they can apply for a single entry visa and extend the duration of stays from 30 days to 60 days.
4. Individual foreign travellers with passports from Denmark, Norway, Finland, Sweden, Austria, Belgium, Spain and Greece are exempted to obtain a visa to enter Lao PDR with the duration of stays up to 15 days.
5. Tourists from Thailand holding a border pass or temporary border passes are permitted to travel with the group through a travel agency based in Lao PDR accredited by the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism, and extend the duration of stays from 03 days to 10 days and can travel to three nearby provinces and exit through the same entry checkpoint.
6. Tourists from Vietnam holding a border pass or temporary border passes are permitted to travel with the group through a travel agency based in Lao PDR accredited by the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism, the duration of stays up to 15 days as

stipulated in the bilateral agreement, and can travel to three nearby provinces and exit through the same entry checkpoint.

7. Chinese tourists holding a border pass are permitted to travel with the group through a travel agency based in Lao PDR accredited by the Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism with the duration of stays up to 10 days. They are able to travel by Laos-China Railway to Louangnamtha, Oudomxay, Louangphabang, Vientiane Provinces and Vientiane Capital and exit through the same entry checkpoint.
8. Individual tourists who are not in the target group as above-mentioned will be following the immigration regulations of the Lao PDR in accordance with the terms of Agreement.

In this regard, the Ministry would highly appreciate if the above-mentioned information could forward to the relevant authorities in due course and replaced the previous Ministry's Note No.:1575/AE.AC.1 dated 26 June 2024 and No.:1592/AE.AC.1 dated 28 June 2024.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to the Lao PDR the assurances of its highest consideration.

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