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L.N. 361 of 2015

ARMS ACT
(CAP. 480)

Permits (Protection of Foreign Dignitaries) Regulations, 2015

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 65 of the Arms Act, the Minister for Home Affairs and National Security, has made the following regulations:-

1. The title of these regulations is the Permits (Protection of Foreign Dignitaries) Regulations, 2015. Citation.

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation.

"Act" means the Arms Act; Cap. 480.

"ammunition" means the ammunition listed under item 10 of Part I of Schedule II to the Act;

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Police;

"firearms" means the firearms listed under items 1 and 3 of Part I of Schedule II to the Act;

"foreign dignitary" means any person present in Malta and who is a dignitary or a high official of a State other than Malta or of an international organisation recognised by the Minister for Foreign Affairs;

"security officers" means officers employed by a foreign Government or by an international organisation whose competence to act as such has been certified by an authority outside Malta, who are authorised to carry firearms in the course of their duties outside Malta and who have been officially entrusted with the responsibility of providing protection services to a foreign dignitary visiting Malta.

3. (1) The Commissioner may in special circumstances issue a permit in terms of these regulations for the import and carriage of firearms and ammunition, for the purpose of the protection of the life and security of a foreign dignitary, to security officers accompanying foreign dignitaries whilst visiting Malta. Permits.

(2) A request for a permit under these regulations shall be received through the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and forwarded for processing by the Commissioner.

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(3) The said permit may only be issued to security officers as defined in regulation 2.

(4) In issuing a permit under these regulations the Commissioner may provide for such conditions, procedures or restrictions as he may deem appropriate.

Permit not subject to a fee.

4. A permit issued under these regulations shall not be subject to a fee and will be for a specified period.

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