Illegal immigrants, Do take advantage of Voluntary Departure Programme



- Our updated Voluntary Departure Programme gives you an opportunity to be free from entry ban and fine with no strings attached.

1. If you are an illegal immigrant, claim voluntary departure between 11 December 2019 and 30 June 2020

• Where should I visit?

- Visit an immigration office covering the area of your residence.

· What documents should I carry?

- We need your passport, Statement of Voluntary Departure and your boarding pass.

· What do I receive prior to departure?

- You will receive a Confirmation of Voluntary Departure. Please do not misplace this document.

· What benefits am I entitled to?

- Fine will be exempted and you will not be blacklisted for entry as well. You can also later apply for E-9, D-2, D-4, D-8 visa types if you meet requirements.

· When and how can I apply for a Korean visa for re-entry?

- You can apply for a C-3 visa (single, max. stay of 90 days) 3 to 6 months from the arrival date at your home country depending on the date you voluntarily left Korea. You need to present a) Confirmation of Voluntary Departure, b) criminal record issued by a law enforcement agency of your country and c) tuberculosis test result to the Korean embassy in your country. Do note that this visa can only be applied within 12 months from the date of your voluntary departure.

What do I have to do after re-entering Korea with a C-3 single visa?

- You need to visit www.hikorea.go.kr and report your Korean address within 14 days of arrival. If you intend to stay in Korea for less than 14 days, report your address prior to departure. Doing so and leaving Korea without committing any offence before your C-3 single visa expires will make you eligible for obtaining a C-3 multiple visa (max. stay of 90 days valid for 12 months). For your reference, C-3 multiple visa holders are only required to report their address if they relocated during their stay.

What penalties are imposed if I do not voluntarily leave by 30 June 2020?

- Only 30% of standard fine will be imposed for your immigration offence should you decide to voluntarily leave after 1 July 2020, and 50% of standard fine will be imposed after 1 October 2020.