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FOREIGN INVESTMENT (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2025

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FOREIGN INVESTMENT ACT 2005

(No. 7 of 2005)

FOREIGN INVESTMENT (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2025

I, Hon. Harry Degruit Kuma, Minister for Commerce, Industry, Labour and Immigration, under section 36 of the *Foreign Investment Act 2005*, make the following Regulations:

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Foreign Investment (Amendment)* Regulations 2025.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on the date these Regulations are published in the *Gazette*.

3 Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the *Foreign Investment Regulations 2006* (Legal Notice No. 4 7 of 2006) ("*Principal Regulations*").

4 Regulations 15 and 16 substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by substituting regulations 15 and 16 as follows:

- "(15) The reserved list is set out in Schedule 2.
- (16) A fee specified in Column 2 in Schedule 3 is the fee payable in relation to the matter under the Act specified opposite the fee in column 1 in that Schedule"

5 Schedules 2 and 3 substituted

The Principal Regulations is amended by repealing Schedules 2 and 3 and substituting as follows:

"SCHEDULE 2

RESERVED LIST

(section 9, regulation 15)

- 1. Cultivating plant crops for sale on the domestic market.
- 2. Timber milling operations producing not more than 5,000 m3 of sawn timber per year.
- 3. Retail trading of household and general goods and services.
- 4. Producing handcrafts and cultural artefacts.
- 5. Operating buses, taxis and hire car services.
- 6. Farming livestock for sale on the domestic market.
- 7. Gathering of wild forest products for sale on the domestic market.
- 8. Laundry services that are not part of the operations of a hotel.
- 9. Cafes and other eating and drinking businesses operating in buildings the area of which is less than 200m2.
- 10. Market vending and road side stalls.
- 11. Domestic help services.
- 12. Static security guarding services which employ less than 50 persons and which provide security services for offices and domestic dwellings.
- 13. Office cleaning and lawn mowing services that are not part of the operations of a hotel.
- 14. Customs clearing agent.
- 15. Gathering uncultivated natural products, including uncultivated forest materials, and using traditional knowledge to create traditional herbs for custom medicines for sale on the domestic and overseas markets
- 16. Coastal or reef fishing for sale on the domestic market, as follows:
 - (a) fishing on a commercial basis in coastal and inland waters within miles of the shore line and on rivers and lakes;
 - (b) taking marine or fresh water crustaceans and Mollusca;
 - (c) taking any of the following:
 - (i) aquatic animals:
 - (ii) sea squids and other tunicates;
 - (iii) sea urchins and other echinoderms;
 - (iv) other aquatic invertebrates;
 - (d) gathering marine materials such as natural pearls, sponges, coral and algae;
 - (e) conducting small scale live fish farming, including fish hatcheries, and fish farm service activities.
- 17. Bungalow, eco-lodge and homestay accommodation which has less than 10

beds.

- 18. Local bird sanctuaries and marine aquarium zoos.
- 19. Hair and beauty product distribution and salon services.
- 20. Driving school services.
- 21. Wholesale and retail trading of second-hand clothing.

SCHEDULE 3 FEES

(regulation 15)

Foreign Investment	Fee (Solomon Dollars)
Application for a Foreign Investment Certificate	2400
Notification of change in details and change of business activities	1200
Application for review of Registrar's decision	600
Fee for copy of, or extract from, information recorded in register	10 per page
Application for Annual Survey (Due to submit every 31st March)	300

Dated this thirtieth-day of October 2025

HON. HARRY DEGRUIT KUMA

MINISTER FOR COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION