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From: [redacted] Représentants [redacted]
Sent: Tue, 11 Mar 2025 19:48:59
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: FW: PAL and LOA exemptions - REP-2025-0222- Due 18-Feb-25
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

Good day,

[redacted] and apologies for the delays. Please see below the approved response.

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Question:
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as per subsection R215(2), study permit applicants in Canada who are the family members, as per subsection R1(3), of a foreign national who resides in Canada if the foreign national

- * holds a valid work permit

Further:
Family members of a work or study permit applicant whose application is approved in writing before entry to Canada
The family member of a foreign national whose application for a work or study permit is approved in writing **before the foreign national enters Canada** does not need to submit a letter of acceptance (LOA) with their study permit application. Even though an LOA is not required, **a PAL/TAL is required** unless the applicant meets an exception.
How does one receive a PAL without an LOA?

Response:
Please consider that the Immigration Representatives Mailbox will only reply to general immigration program or policy related enquiries; therefore, no case specific responses can be provided.

Under the current Ministerial Instructions (MIs) effective January 22, 2025, foreign nationals described by R215(2) are **not** excepted from the PAL/TAL requirement.

The exception under R219(2) to the requirement to provide confirmation of acceptance from a DLI refers to foreign national who **applies for a study permit before entering Canada** if they are an **accompanying family member** of a foreign national whose application for a work permit or a study permit is approved in writing before their entry into [redacted] your [redacted] to [redacted] to [redacted] for [redacted] and not [redacted] the time of application (unless you meet an exception), the application must not be accepted into processing: Provincial attestation letter or territorial attestation letter (PAL/TAL)

For more information about minors please visit: Minor.
We hope this information is helpful.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

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Objet : PAL and LOA exemptions

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With gratitude,

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