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MEMORANDUM

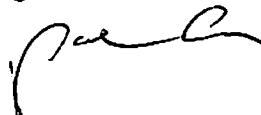
Re: New Passport Procedure

This is a follow-up to our previous correspondence notifying all interested parties as to the change in practice for passport applications in the United States. At the time of our previous communication, it was anticipated that the change in practice would occur some time in January 2010. We have now been advised that the new procedure will become effective as of **December 1, 2009** so that Norwegian passport applications will no longer be accepted by Honorary Consulates or Consulates General.

To recap, the new biometric passport machines will be in operation and applicants will need to present themselves in person at Foreign Norwegian Diplomatic Missions in order to be photographed and to sign the appropriate documents electronically. These machines will be located at the Embassy in Washington, DC, and the Consulates General in Houston, San Francisco, and New York. Any party needing to renew a passport or file an initial passport application must do so in person at one of these four locations. If it is more convenient, such an application can also be made in Norway while the applicant is present in Norway. For those who have passports that are valid for another two – three years, you may still apply through the Honorary Consulate General in Chicago so long as it is done before December 1, 2009.

The passport fees are currently adults (16 years and older) U.S. \$75 and children (under 16 years of age) \$45. Feel free to contact Alfreda Hughes at the Honorary Consulate General in Chicago at 312-377-5050.

Kind regards,



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