## **Press Release**

## Statistics of Investment Residency in the First Half-Year of 2013

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In the first half-year of 2013, a total of 289 applications for temporary residency for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders were received by the Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM) (a decrease of 22 compared with the same period last year), 46 applications for major investment and major investment plans (a decrease of 8 compared with the same period last year), representing 86% and 14% of the total of 335 new applications in the first half-year of 2013. Approved cases for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders amounted to 138 (a decrease of 54 compared with the same period last year), approved applications for major investment and major investment plans totalled 23 (an increase of 17 compared with the same period last year).

In accordance with the Administrative Regulation No. 7/2007, temporary residency applications for fixed asset purchases have been suspended since 4 April 2007. There were over 4,000 applications lodged before the closing date of the policy and are still being processed. Therefore, there were no new residency applications during the first half-year of 2013 for fixed assets purchases while all of the 4 already approved cases were lodged before 4 April 2007.

Statistics of Investment Residency Applications and the Cases and Number of Beneficiaries in the First Half-Year of 2013

	Fixed assets		Managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders		Major investment and major investment plans		Applications for renewal		Applications for residency of family members		Total	
	Number	In Comparison with the previous year	Number	In Comparison with the previous year	Number	In Comparison with the previous year	Number	In Comparison with the previous year	Number	In Comparison with the previous year	Number	In Comparison with the previous year
Applications in the first half-year of 2013	0	0	289	-22	46	-8	1,908	-882	185	-118	2,428	-1,030
Approved applications in the first half-year of 2013	4	-12	138	-54	23	17	1,546	-1,425	231	-40	1,942	-1,514
Number of beneficiaries in the first half-year of 2013	10	-50	252	-46	45	32			326	-46	633	-110

Remarks: Figures of approved applications for fixed asset purchases only refer to those registered cases as of 4 April 2007 when the Administrative Regulation were in effect, figures of approved cases in other categories include all applications submitted during and before 2013.

For further enquiries on the residency application guidelines, please contact IPIM by visiting the website: www.ipim.gov.mo, email: gjfr@ipim.gov.mo, tel: 28712055 or fax: 28713950. Applicants may also visit the website and enquire about the progress of their residency application status online.