INFORMATION NOTE:

LEGALISATION SERVICES OF FOREIGN DOCUMENTS AT BRITISH EMBASSY BEIRUT FOR USE IN THE UK

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office has made changes to the legalisation services at its Missions overseas, including the British Embassy in Beirut.

The Consular Section at the British Embassy in Beirut would like to inform the public that it does not legalise foreign (non-UK) documents for use in the UK.

The 1961 Hague Convention abolished the requirement for full legalisation of documents that are destined for use in Hague Convention Countries, of which the UK is one.

Adding an Embassy stamp adds no value or proof of the authenticity to a document or its contents and therefore all UK Authorities should accept foreign documents which have legalised, as necessary, by their country’s Ministries or Authorities only.

Should you require any further information about legalisation of documents for use in the UK please send your query to consular.beirut@fco.gov.uk

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Notice to the public: services in the British Embassy in Beirut

Notarising of foreign documents for use in the United Kingdom

In accordance with the decision of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Commonwealth in its missions abroad, and in line with the British Embassy in Beirut.

The consular section of the British Embassy in Beirut advises the public that the section does not notarise foreign documents (documents from outside the United Kingdom) that will be used in the United Kingdom.

Since the 1961 conference in the United Kingdom, the need for notarising documents for use in the countries belonging to the conference has been eliminated. This includes the United Kingdom.

In addition, any certificate notarised by a post not adding to the authenticity or evidence of the document or its contents will be accepted by all the United Kingdom's authorities.

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