

DOCUMENT EXAMINATION REPORT

VAF NO:	TEH/2008/1234		DATE OF APPLICATION:		01/01/2008			
DOCUMEN	NT NAME:	Johnny	Forgery					
DOCUMENT NATIONALITY:			XXX	DOCU	MENT	BIRTH DETAI	LS:	01/01/1901
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 1234.			56789	ISSUEI	D ON:	01/01/2007	AT:	Nowhereville

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I have worked as an Immigration Officer since 1994 at various Border Control locations in the UK and now work as an Entry Clearance Officer at the British Embassy in Tehran. During my career I have received specialist forgery detection training at the National Document Fraud Unit and have visited De La Rue, a security document manufacturer, to observe how passports are made. I have experience of examining passport, travel and other documents from around the world. It is part of my daily duties to examine and check documents submitted in support of entry clearance applications for evidence of falsification. Drawing on my training and experience I examined the document detailed above and can state that:

to be counterfeit.

to be a stolen blank.

to be a pseudo passport.

to have been mutilated.

to have been fraudulently obtained.

1. It was found:

- \Box to be as issued.
- to contain a substituted photograph/image.
- \checkmark to contain (a) page(s) not original to the document.
- to contain altered/added details.
- \checkmark to contain (an) altered visa(s)/counterfeit visa(s).
- to contain (an) altered stamp(s)/counterfeit stamp(s).

2. As a result::

- □ I conclude that the document is genuine.
- \checkmark The document should not be relied upon as evidence of nationality or identity.
- \Box I am unable to conclude on the authenticity of the document.
- 3. Additional information: (Examining officer must note down findings to justify conclusion)

Examination in transmitted light revelas that the biographical data page in the document is without the expected watermark and security thread. Further examination of this page in Ultra Violet light shows that the expected covert inks are absent. These findings lead me to conclude that the biographical data page is



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counterfeit. In addition the UK visa on page 7 shows clear signs of abrasion in the areas of the holder's name and passsport number, which suggests it was not originally issued to this document.

Disposal of document : [RAU]





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GUIDANCE WORDINGS & USEFUL PHRASES

Counterfeit:

- 1. The document is without the expected watermark/ security thread/ random fibres
- 2. The document is not of the expoected size/ colour/ appearance
- 3. The edges and corners in the document have been unevenly cut
- 4. The document exhibits an unexpectedly bright reaction when exposed to Ultra Violet light
- 5. The backround printing/ overprint in the document is not of the expected quality
- 6. The document does not contain the expected intaglio ink/ extra small print/ optically variable ink
- 7. The document does not contain the expected Ultra Violet reactive safeguards
- 8. The document serial serial number has not been printed/ perforated by the expected process
- 9. The document contains spelling and accentual errors

Substituted Page:

- 1. The internal pages of the document are misaligned with each other/ the covers/ endpapers
- 2. The document does not contain the expected secure centre stitching
- 3. The stitch holes in the centre of the document are damaged/ enlarged/ vacant
- 4. There is evidence of wrinkling to the endpapers suggesting they have been split from the covers
- 5. The document serial number on page A does not match the one on all other pages/ has been altered
- 6. The page number on page B has been altered by abrasion
- 7. Page C of the document is without the expected watermark/ security thread etc (see above checklist)
- 8. The backround printing/ overprint on page D is not of the expected quality
- 9. Page E of the document has been removed

Subsituted Photograph/ Image:

- 1. The area around/ behind the holder's photograph shows signs of damage to the paper/ printing
- 2. The authenticating seal over the holder's photograph is counterfeit
- 3. The section of the authenticating seal over the holder's photograph is not of the expected quality/ misaligned with the section on the page/ misaligned with the impression on the reverse of the page
- 4. There is evidence of a second laminate on the biographical data page which is not expected
- 5. Cut marks in the laminate can be seen around the outer edges of the holder's photograph
- 6. Air pockets can be seen between the laminate and the holder's photograph
- 7. The corners/ edges of the laminate have been unevenly cut
- 8. The visible/ covert laminate safeguards are degraded/ misaligned/ broken/ absent
- 9. The holder's image/ personal details have been abraded/ altered

Altered Details:

- 1. The holder's date of birth/ height/ name has been altered by abrasion
- 2. The issue/ expiry date of the document has been altered by abrasion
- 3. The document serial/ page number has been altered by abrasion
- 4. The details of the holder's children have been unlawfully added/ removed

Stamps/ Visas:

- 1. The stamp/ visa/ residence permit on page F is not of the expected size/ quality/ layout
- 2. The visa on page G does not contain the expected intaglio ink/ extra small print
- 3. The visa on page H is recognised as one of a batch stolen blank prior to issue
- 4. The holder's image in the visa on page I has been abraded and substituted