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EMPLOYMENT AGENCY (AMENDMENT) RULES 2008

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 29 of the Employment Agencies Act, the Minister for Manpower hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Employment Agency (Amendment) Rules 2008 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2008.

Amendment of rule 12

- **2.** Rule 12 of the Employment Agency Rules (R 1, 2008 Ed.) is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(3) Upon obtaining employment for a foreign employee, an employment agency shall ensure that the passport or work permit of the foreign employee is delivered or returned directly to that foreign employee as soon as practicable unless the employment agency has a reasonable excuse not to do so.
 - (3A) For the purposes of paragraph (3), an employment agency shall not be taken to have a reasonable excuse for failing to deliver or return the passport or work permit of a foreign employee if that failure is by reason only of the

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