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Department of Consular of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam presents its compliments to Diplomatic Missions in Viet Nam and in regard to Note No. 450/VPCP-HTQT dated 18/01/2022 of the Prime Minister's Office on the entry procedure for foreigners, has the honour to inform as follows:

- People entering Vietnam with one of the valid entry documents issued by Vietnamese competent authorities (**such as permanent residence card, temporary residence card, visa, visa exemption certificate**) are allowed to enter Vietnam according to the Law on entry, exit, transit and residence of foreigners in Vietnam (Immigration Law) **without having to apply for additional approval for health and personnel inspection.** Among the above documents, Visa Exemption Certificate is a type of entry document to Vietnam issued to Vietnamese residing abroad and their relatives according to the provisions of Decree 82/2015/ND-CP dated September 24th 2015 of the Government on visa exemption for Vietnamese residing abroad and foreigners whose spouses and children of Vietnamese origin and residing abroad or of Vietnamese citizens.
- People who enter Vietnam on business purposes, work, invest, attend conferences, seminars, study, visit relatives etc. who do not have a valid entry document issued by a competent Vietnamese authority, are required to apply for the approval from Provincial People's Committee or the Ministries, branches and central agencies before carrying out procedures under the Immigration Law (according to the instructions in Diplomatic Note No. 471/Ch-LS-QHLS dated July 13, 2021 of the Consular Department)
- People wishing to enter Vietnam for tourism should follow the guidance of the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism on the pilot project to welcome international tourists.

On this occasion, the Department of Consular of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Diplomatic Missions in Vietnam the assurance of its highest consideration.

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