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OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

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Preparations for the ePassport Upgrade

MAJURO – The Office of the Attorney-General is pleased to inform the general public that we are nearing the final stages to further upgrade the passport system.

As part of the requirements, the system will not be operational until the upgrade is completed to avoid any interruptions that may cause any technical issues. This will also include the passport officers attending mandatory training to learn about the changes in the upgraded system and perform maintenance on the passport printer.

The maintenance will commence on August 24, 2026, and is expected to last for two weeks. To that end, kindly note the following periods with corresponding activities undertaken:

- 1) From August 10 until August 14, the Office will receive the last batch of passport applications.
- 2) From August 17 until August 21, the Office will begin issuing/printing the last batch of the current passports for applicants. The Office will not accept passports applications during this period.

On September 3rd, 2026, is the launch date of the new ePassport. Kindly note that all previously issued passports will remain valid until they reach the expiration date. All passport holders can start renewing their passport one year before the expiration date (no additional charges applied). Beginning on the following Monday, September 7, the Office will resume normal passport processing.

This notification is to ensure that the general public plan accordingly when applying for a new passport or a renewal. The Office will issue more announcements in the coming months and will also post new updates on our website at www.rmiagoffice.com.

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