

**S.I. 121 of 2022**

## PASSPORT ACT

*(Cap 155)***Passport (Amendment) Regulations, 2022**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Passport Act (*Cap 155*), the Minister of Internal Affairs, hereby makes the following regulations —

**Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Passport (Amendment) Regulations, 2022.

**Amendment of regulations**

2. The Passport Regulations, 1976 is amended as follows —

- (a) by inserting in regulation 2 before the definition of “diplomatic passport” the following definitions —

“biometric passport” means a passport which contains unique biological data specific to the holder”;

“biological data” includes —

- (i) a person’s fingerprint or handprint (taken using paper and ink, digital scanning technologies or otherwise);
- (ii) a photograph or other image of a person’s face and shoulders;
- (iii) a person’s signature; and
- (iv) an image of a person’s iris (taken using iris scanning technologies.”; and

- (b) by inserting in regulation 3 after the words “First Schedule to these Regulations” the words “or biometric passport”.

**MADE this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.**

**ERROL FONSEKA  
MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS**

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