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New Hong Kong immigration clearance service for eligible Macau permanent residents

Executive summary

Effective 19 July 2024, the Hong Kong Immigration Department (ImmD) introduced a new "Mutual Use of QR Code between HKSAR and Macau SAR Clearance Service," which aims to streamline the immigration clearance process for eligible permanent residents of Macau.

Key developments

Macau permanent residents can now use the "Macao One Account" mobile application to generate an encrypted QR code when entering Hong Kong, instead of presenting physical documents at border checkpoints. This initiative is part of a collaborative effort between the ImmD and Macau authorities to facilitate cross-border movement for eligible residents of Hong Kong and Macau.

Impact on employers

The new system is expected to benefit employers by facilitating the travel and immigration process for Macau permanent residents.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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