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Subject: Announcing the amendment of the qualifying criteria for Foreign specialist Professionals Possessing Specific Expertise in Science & Technology, to take effect from the date of the announcement.

Basis: Article 4 Subparagraph 2 of the Act for the Recruitment and Employment of Foreign Professionals

Notice:

Foreign Specialist Professionals Possessing Specific Expertise in Science & Technology (FSPPSEST) must meet one of the following conditions:

- 1. Previously or currently holding a position in a technology industry or field in a foreign state or in the Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as "Taiwan") with a most recent monthly salary of at least NTD160,000.
- 2. Possessing unique skills, outstanding R&D design, or solid achievement in starting a business in a cutting-edge area of technology such as software applications, software technology, nanotechnology, MEMS technology, optoelectronics, ICT, communication transmission technology, automation systems integration technology, materials application technology, high- precision sensing technology, biotechnology, resources development or energy saving, frontier basic research, national defense, and military strategy.
- 3. Possessing unique skills, outstanding R&D design, or solid achievement in starting a business in a forward-looking area of technology such as AI, IoT, AR, blockchain, VR, robots, and additive manufacturing.
- 4. Having been awarded a Nobel Prize, Tang Prize, Wolf Prize, Fields Medal, or other equivalent international award.
- 5. An academician of a national science academy or a scholar at the level of national academician.
- 6. Currently or previously holding a position as a chair professor, professor or associate professor in a university, or as a researcher or associate researcher in a research institution, and having important academic contributions or important specialist works, or having published internationally respected research results within the last three years.
- 7. After receiving a doctoral degree, having spent at least four years continuing to engage in a specialized occupation or to perform research work in a research institution or to conduct R&D or management in a science and technology institution.
- 8. Possessing distinctive ability, highly uncommon both in Taiwan and abroad, in a special technology or in R&D or management in a science and technology institution.
- 9. Holding a doctoral degree and possessing expertise that is lacking in Taiwan.
- 10. Having been a senior executive or core member of an R&D team with experience in the successful IPO of an overseas startup.
- 11. Having been a senior executive or core member of an R&D team with experience in an overseas startup being successfully acquired by or merged with another company.
- 12. Serving as a senior executive of a venture capital firm or fund with solid achievement of investing in overseas startups or startups under programs of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC).
- 13. Possessing other potential to contribute to a technology industry in Taiwan.

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