## **Press Release**

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## Identification Services Bureau introduces self-service for Visit Permit to HKSAR application

Following the introduction of self-service kiosks for the renewal of Macao SAR Permanent Resident Identity Card and the application for Macao SAR Passport and Macao SAR Travel Permit, the Identification Services Bureau introduces self-service kiosks for Macao residents to apply for the "Visit Permit for Residents of Macao SAR to Hong Kong SAR" (hereinafter referred as "Visit Permit to HKSAR"). The self-service kiosks were put into official use in October 2015, adding convenience for Macao citizens. Eligible applicants do not need to obtain a number tag in advance of using the self-service; they can submit their application on their own with the abovementioned kiosks during office hours of the Identification Services Bureau.

Chinese or Portuguese nationals who are aged 18 and hold a Macao SAR Resident Identity Card can use the self-service kiosk to submit the first-time application for the "Visit Permit to HKSAR", or submit the renewal application for the "Visit Permit to HKSAR" within 9 months prior to the expiry date of their document.

The self-service application procedures of the "Visit Permit to HKSAR" are simple. Applicants only need to go through the application process as instructed by the kiosk, including verifying fingerprints, taking onsite photo, scanning photo and identity card, and signing on the digital signature pad. Right after the application process, applicants have to present the payment slip to the service counter and pay the application fee to complete the whole application.

The self-service kiosks for "Visit Permit to HKSAR" application are now available in the Identification Services Bureau at the China Plaza in "Avenida de Praia Grande" and the Government Services Centre in Areia Preta. Before using the self-service kiosks, citizens can browse the relevant demonstration videos in advance at the Self-Service Application Area, the Document Collection Counter and the official website (www.dsi.gov.mo) of the Identification Service Bureau.

The Identification Services Bureau is grateful for citizens' on-going support and

valuable opinions and comments on the self-service kiosks. In the future, the Identification Services Bureau will continue to study the possibility of introducing more convenient electronic services.

