

NOTE ON BIOMETRIC EXEMPTIONS

According to the regulation, visa applicants whose biometric data have been collected as part of an earlier application less than 59 months before the date of a new application are not obliged to have their biometric data collected again, because these have already been recorded.

However, the former recorded biometric data may later prove to be unusable for technical reasons and, in this case, the consulate will be required to call you back to complete your visa application.

Consequently, VFS Global recommends you, in your best interest, to request that your biometric data be collected again (*) on the occasion of this new visa application, which will avoid you been called back to the center.

(*) In accordance with point 4.2 of the "Handbook for the processing of visa applications", established by "implementing decision of the European Commission" of 14 May 2019 (document C(2019) 3464 final) (published on the website of the European Commission).