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This document provides information and details of organisations which may be useful if you are facing removal or deportation to China.

While every care is taken to ensure that the information is correct this does not constitute a guarantee that the organisations will provide the services listed.

# Your Embassy in the UK

# **Embassy of the People's Republic of China**

Consular Section

31 Portland Place W1B 1QD

Tel: 020 7631 1430
Email: zj\_uk@mfa.gov.cn
www.chinese-embassy.org.uk

# **Consular Section, Chinese Consulate-General Manchester**

49 Denison Road, Rusholme, Manchester M14 5RX

**Tel:** 0161- 2248672 **Fax:** 0161-2572672

## **Consular Section, Chinese Consulate-General Edinburgh**

55 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh EH12 5QJ

Tel: 0131-3373220 (3:30pm-4:30pm) Fax: 0131-3371790

# **Travel documents**

A valid Chinese passport can be used for travel between the UK and China. If your passport has expired then you can apply at the Chinese Embassy for a new passport.

If a passport is not available an application will be submitted for an emergency travel certificate consisting of the following:

- one passport photograph
- registration form for the verification of identity (completed in English and with scanned photo attached)
- bio-data (personal details) form (including at least one address written in Chinese with telephone numbers of family members)
- Full address, including house number, road name, city/town and province must be submitted otherwise application will be rejected

# Return

If you are willing to return and want to ensure that you are returned to China as soon as possible you can:

- · Contact your caseworker at the Home Office to say that you are willing to return;
- Make every effort to find supporting documentation for issuing of travel documents;
- Make contact with the Chinese Consulate to begin the process of obtaining a travel document.



You may find it useful to read the information below to begin preparing for your return.

# **Documentation in China**

Access to almost all services in China including education for children, health services and welfare is dependent on holding a household registration certificate, known as a 'hukou'. As ownership of a hukou creates a responsibility to provide for a person by the municipality in which it is issued, it is often very difficult to get a hukou in a different area to that in which you were born. This can make migration from one area of China to another very









difficult. If you are not already on the household registration certificate of your parents or other family members in China, then obtaining a hukou must be a priority upon arrival. For further information see **www.fujian.gov.cn** or upon arrival in Fujian request information on registration from the local police station.

All Chinese citizens must have a Chinese ID card. Since 2004 'first generation' ID cards have been replaced by 'second generation' ID cards. If you do not have an ID card or only hold a 'first generation' ID card then you must apply for a replacement. You can apply for an ID card by attending the police station with your household registration book and filling in the appropriate form. Fujian Province now take fingerprint data from all ID card applicants. While the application is being processed you will be issued with a temporary residence card. Applications take approximately 45 days.

#### **Documentation for Children born in the UK**

If your children were born in the UK and have not been registered in China you must complete their household registration at the local police office. To do this you will need:

- Both parents' household registration books
- Birth certificate (must be notarized by the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office and the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in the UK)

If a child's parents are not married or there is more than one child in the family, the parent registering the child(ren) may need to pay a 'social compensation fee' at the local family planning office first, and then take their receipt to the police office before completing the household registration. If you do not have a second generation ID card you must complete your own registration before you can register your child(ren).



# Accommodation

While China has greatly increased its social housing stock, this can be difficult to access and a person just arriving from abroad is unlikely to be able to access it. As such, most of those returning will be dependent on staying with friends or family or having finances to rent a property.



# Health

China has a public insurance based health service. All residents are required to pay into either an urban or rural cooperative health insurance system in their local area in order to gain access to health services.

In addition to the insurance fee, you will need also a valid national ID card and your household registration book in order to join a health insurance scheme.

Those who are unable to pay the fee may be able to register if they can produce a 'Fujian Province Minimum Income Guarantee' receipt card.

For more information on registering with a health insurance scheme, contact:



Fuzhou Medical Insurance Administrative Centre Service Hall, Medical Insurance Centre 1/F Labour Building, No. 128 Gutian Road, Fuzhou, China

**Tel:** +591 87968906



# **Emergency support**

China has a social insurance system and guarantees a minimum income for all citizens. However, the system is complex and dependent upon a person being registered in their local municipality. For further information contact:

#### **Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security**

12 Heppingll Zhong Jie, Dongcheng District, Beijing 10013, China

Tel: +86 10 84223420 www.mohrss.gov.cn.



# **Employment, education and training**

## Schools

In China children start school at around 6 or 7 years old and complete six years of compulsory education. They may then progress to middle school.

## **Vocational Training**

Vocational training is available at the following institutions:

# **Fujian Farmers Skills Training University**

Provides training and education for people from rural areas across Fujian province. Courses include agricultural technology, electronics, tourism, product processing and ceramics.

#### www.fjsnhd.org

#### The National Association of Vocational Education of China - Fujian Branch

Through a scheme known as 'Project Warmth', the association provided vocational education, training, guidance and recruitment advice.

Tel: +591 87801342 www.fjzjs.org.cn

# Employment

A good starting point to find work is to attend one of the local Job Service Offices of the Fujian Provincial Job Service Centre, the local government department responsible for assisting people to find work.

# **Fujian Provincial Job Service Centre**

No. 128 Yangqiao Street, Gulou District, Fuzhou

**Tel:** 87559643

#### Job Service Centre of Jin'an District, Fuzhou

No. 11, Dongpu Road, Jin'an District, Fuzhou

**Tel:** 87570797

# **Job Service Centre of Putian**

Licheng Street, Chengxiang District, Putian

**Tel:** 82684111

# **Job Service Centre of Hanjiang District, Putian**

No. 7 Qufu Road, Hanjiang District, Putian

**Tel:** 83396116

# **Employment Service Company of Zhangzou County, Zhangzhou**

No. 1 Zhonghua Street, Zhangpu County, Zhangzhou

**Tel:** 83220272

# **Fuzhou Job Service Centre**

No. 128 Gutian Road, Gulou District, Fuzhou

**Tel:** 83343773

## **Employment Service Company of Fuqing, Fuzhou**

Fuqing, Fuzhou **Tel:** 85217041

#### Job Service Office, Changle, Fuzhou

Wuhang Township, Changle

**Tel:** 28922559

#### Jin'an Job Market of Gulou District, Fuzhou

No. 133 Dongpu Road, Jin'an, Gulou District, Fuzhou

Tel: 87138036

#### **Chengmen Sub-centre**

Job Service Centre of Cangshan District, Fuzhou

No. 33 Paixia, Cangshan District, Fuzhou

**Tel:** 83532743





## **Job Service Centre of Cangshan District, Fuzhou**

No. 115 Sangao Road, Cangshan District, Fuzhou

**Tel:** 83532743

# **Employment Administrative Division of Xiapu County, Ningde**

Labour Building, South Gate, Xiapu County, Ningde

**Tel:** 28883933

#### Public Job Service Office of Fu'an, Ningde

No. 13 Xinyang Street, Fu'an, Ningde

**Tel:** 86565516

#### **Xiamen Job Service Centre**

No. 191 Changqing Road, Kaiyuan District, Xiamen

Tel: 85205566

#### **Quanzhou Job Service Centre**

No. 91 South Xinhua Road, Quanzhou

**Tel:** 82389178

#### **Employment Exchange Centre of Jinjiang, Quangzhou**

No. 30 South Xindajie Road, Jinjiang County, Quanzhou

Tel: Tel: 85698477

#### **Longyan Employment Service Company**

South Xi'an Road, Xinluo District, Longyan

**Tel:** 82220499

#### **Job Service Office of Zhangpu County**

No. 1 Zhonghua Street, Zhangpu County, Zhangzhou

**Tel:** 83220272



# **Directory**

## **AIDS Care China**

Guangxi Headquarter, Guangxi Plate Ridge Road, Jiangnan District, 530031

Tel: 4007003364

**Email:** accaidscarel@gmail.com www.aidscarechina.org

An NGO providing counselling, care and support for people living with HIV/AIDS

#### **Hope international**

227 Granite Run Drive, Suite 250, Lancaster, PA 17601, USA

**Tel:** +717-464-3220 **Fax:**+ 717-255-0306

www.hopeinternational.org

A Christian organisation providing small start-up and business loans and advice to entrepreneurs and runs savings schemes and credit unions.

#### **Quanzhou New Home Social Service Centre**

Apartment J, 23/F Agricultural Bank Building, Quanxiu Road, Fengze District, Quanzhou, China

**Tel:** +86 595 2293 6885/+86 595 2272 6885/+86 595 2272 6885

Email: qz@nha.org.cn

An NGO providing social services and reintegration assistance to returnees.

## **Red Cross Society of China**

Beijing, China,100007, China

**Tel:** +86 10 84025890

www.redcross.org.cn

An NGO providing health and screening services particularly around communicable diseases such as TB.



#### Salvation Army, China

# **Social Services Department,**

11 Wing Sing Lane, Yaumatei, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Postal Address: P.O. Box 70129,

Kowloon Central Post Office, Hong Kong **Tel:** +852 2783 2228 **Fax:** +852 2385 0828 **Email:** ssdeng@hkt.salvationarmy.org

## www.salvationarmy.org.hk/en/services/china

Although its offices are based in Hong Kong, the Salvation Army, a Christian organistion, provides a number of social services in mainland China including education and training.

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