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New amendments to Article 322.3 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation are to come into force on November 23, 2018 (Fictitious registration of a foreign citizen or stateless person at a place of residence in a residential area in the Russian Federation).

Under these amendments, a foreign citizen's migration registration at the address of a company where he / she actually does not work is considered a crime. In our opinion, there is the risk that the responsibility for such a crime may be borne by a representative of the company (e.g. CEO) or another person who actually signed the blank of notification about the arrival of a foreign citizen and / or personally conducted a registration with the state migration authorities.

Please note that the penalty for a fictitious registration of a foreign citizen remains unchanged.

This crime may result in a fine of up to 500,000 rubles, or in the amount of the salary or other income of the convicted for a period of up to 3 years, or in forced labour for up to 3 years with the deprivation of the right to hold certain positions or engage in certain activities for up to 3 years or without it, or imprisonment for up to 3 years with the deprivation of the right to occupy certain positions or engage in certain activities for up to 3 years or without it.

We recommend ensuring that foreign employees who stay in Russia for different purposes complete their migration registration properly and in fact reside / live at the appropriate address of registration. Should you have any questions or require our assistance, please contact our experts.