

Annexes:

Summary of checks performed by relevant authorities on the steps for which funding is requested, including weaknesses identified and any corrective actions taken.

In line with internal control procedures, the relevant authorities carried out the verification of the reform step to assess its compliance with the requirements set out in the Commission Implementing Decision and the associated Reform Agreement. The verification was ultimately based on Government Decision adopted for the implementation of the reform step, which constitutes the formal and legally binding act confirming its completion.

The Government Decision adopted for the implementation of the reform step has been recorded in the verification checklist and securely archived in line with internal control procedures. The verification focused on assessing whether the Government Decision constitutes clear and unequivocal evidence of the fulfilment of the reform step, in accordance with the narrative description and objectives set out in Commission Implementing Decision and Reform Agenda (RA) as well as on confirming that the timing of the reform step's completion complies with the applicable deadline. However, based on the procedures carried out, no findings or non-compliances were identified in relation to the reform step under review.

1) Fiche to be used for each step:

The step under review	Terminating visa-free agreements with countries [at least one per year, starting in 2025] which are visa required for the EU [measured at the end of each year [December] during the lifetime of the Facility 2024-2027]
Baseline	Visa policy is not aligned for 16 countries + (Vanuatu ¹)
Deadline of the step	December 2025
Actual results	To meet the 2025 target under this measure, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora (MFAD) conducted the necessary inter-institutional coordination and took the required decision to terminate at least one visa-free regime that is inconsistent with the EU Regulation (EU) 2018/1806. The process included: Consultation with the Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Interior Affairs • MFDA held consultations with PM's office and MIA officials discussing the details regarding the 17 countries subject to assessment. Consultation with relevant MFAD geographical departments • All MFAD regional desks responsible for the relevant countries were consulted. • Inputs included ○ Bilateral and political considerations, ○ Existing reciprocity

¹ On 12th December 2024, Council decided to amend the EU's visa regulation (Regulation (EU) 2018/1806) by adding Vanuatu to the list of countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing an EU border.

	○ Diplomatic implications of potential termination. Assessment and decision-making In line with the consultations held internally and inter-institutionally, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora (MFAD) proposed the termination of one existing visa-free regime that was not in line with Regulation (EU) 2018/1806. Following the assessment and selection process, the Republic of Fiji was identified for this purpose. On 19 December 2025, the Government adopted Decision No. 14/280, thereby terminating the visa-free regime for nationals of the Republic of Fiji. As a result, the visa regime and the same procedures for entry, transit, and stay in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo apply to nationals of the Republic of Fiji, in accordance with the legislation in force, namely Law No. 04/L-219 on Foreigners of the Republic of Kosovo. Following the adoption of the Government Decision, it was formally transmitted to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo, which, in coordination with the Kosovo Police and the border crossing authorities, is responsible for its implementation.
Evidence provided	1. Government Decision No. 14/280. On the amendment and supplementation of Government Decision No. 15/158, dated 29 November 2013 2. Declaration of Compliance with Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo No. 17.2024, dated 15 December 2025 3. Explanatory Memorandum, dated 15 December 2025
Checks performed in the verification of the step and related findings	During verification of the step, all evidence has been collected and reviewed. The evidence has been listed down in the checklist on the conducted verification, and all documents supporting the verification have been properly stored (in order to ensure audit trail). The following checks were conducted: 1. All necessary documentation, as specified in Annex 1 of RA (which are also attached to this report); 2. Compliance with the descriptive part of the reform step from the Commission Implementing Decision; 3. The attached documentation can unequivocally confirm the fulfilment of the reform step; 4. The attached documentation can unequivocally confirm the period in which the reform step has been fulfilled. 5. No additional specific requirements were applied.
Compliance with general principles and DNSH	The implementation of the measure is consistent with the legal and procedural requirements and does not contravene general principles or the DNSH principle. The reform step concerns policy alignment and does not have environmental impact.

principle	
Double funding	<i>Contributions from third parties were not reported in support of the achievement of this step.</i>
Clear conclusion on the achievement of the step	The step has been fully achieved.

Annex I.

List referred to in paragraph 1 of this Decision

	Qatar	Nicaragua
Antigua and Barbuda	Canada	Oman
Argentina	Kiribati	Palau
Australia	Colombia	Panama
The Bahamas	Swiss Confederation*	Papua New Guinea
Bahrain	Kuwait	Paraguay
Barbados	Latvia*	Poland*
Belize	Lesotho	Portugal*
Brunei Darussalam	Lithuania*	Principality of Andorra
Bulgaria*	New Zealand	Principality of Liechtenstein*
Dominica	Malawi	Principality of Malta*
Grand Duchy of Luxembourg*	Malaysia	Principality of Monaco*
El Salvador	Maldives	Republic of Austria*
United Arab Emirates	Montenegro	Republic of Estonia*
Federated States of Micronesia	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Czech Republic
Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Republic of Finland*
Fiji	Kingdom of Belgium*	French Republic*
Hungary*	Kingdom of Denmark*	Federative Republic of Brazil
Grenada	Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	Federal Republic of Germany*
Guyana	Kingdom of the Netherlands*	Republic of Honduras
Guatemala	Kingdom of Norway*	Republic of Ireland*
Greece*	Kingdom of Spain*	Republic of Iceland*
Marshall Islands	Kingdom of Sweden*	Italian Republic*
Seychelles	Mexico	Republic of Chile
Solomon Islands	Mauritius	Republic of Costa Rica
Japan	Nauru	Republic of Korea (South Korea)

* Member States of the European Union and Member States of the Schengen Area.

Annex I.

List referred to in paragraph 1 of this Decision

Republic of Croatia* Vanuatu

Republic of North Macedonia

Republic of Cyprus*

Republic of San Marino*

Republic of Serbia

Slovak Republic*

Republic of Slovenia*

Republic of Albania

Republic of Türkiye

Romania*

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Saint Lucia

Saint Vincent and the
Grenadines

Samoa

São Tomé and Príncipe

Holy See*

Singapore

Eswatini

State of Israel

United States of America

Timor-Leste

Tonga

Trinidad and Tobago

Tuvalu

Uruguay

Venezuela

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Ministria e Punëve të Jashtme dhe Diasporës

Ministarstvo Inostranih Poslova Dijaspore – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora

DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO NO. 17/2024

We hereby declare that the draft decision on the Amendment and Supplementation of the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo No. 15/158, dated 29.11.2013, has passed all procedural phases as prescribed by the Rules of Procedure of the Government No. 17/2024 and other applicable laws and sub-legal acts, and we recommend the approval of this decision as such.

This draft decision is accompanied by the relevant documentation, which contains all the necessary data (information) required for decision-making.

The above-mentioned proposal is included in the Government's work program and is in compliance with the deadlines.

Prishtina, 15.12.2025

Donika GËRVALLA-SCHWARZ

Deputy Prime Minister
and Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Diaspora

Ilir MUÇAJ

Secretary General



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Ministria e Punëve të Jashtme dhe Diasporës – Ministarstvo Inostranih Poslova i Dijaspore–
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

regarding the proposal for the adoption of a decision on the amendment and supplementation of the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo No. 15/158, dated 29 November 2013.

This Explanatory Memorandum sets out the rationale for proposing the amendment and supplementation of the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo No. 15/158, dated 29 November 2013.

For the purpose of implementing:

- Article 11 of Law No. 04/L-219 on Foreigners of the Republic of Kosovo;
- The visa regime for foreign nationals as provided for in Decision No. 15/158, dated 29 November 2013, and other supplementary decisions.

It is proposed that the same visa regime, as well as the same procedures for entry, transit, and stay in the territory of the Republic of Kosovo, be applied to nationals of the Republic of Fiji, in accordance with the legislation in force, specifically Law No. 04/L-219 on Foreigners of the Republic of Kosovo.

Recommendation

Based on the above reasoning and the applicability of the legal framework in force, approval is requested for the proposal to amend and supplement the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo No. 15/158, dated 29 November 2013, with the aim of including the Republic of Fiji in the visa regime.

Prishtina, 15.12.2025



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Nr. 14/280

Datë: 19.12.2025

Në mbështetje të nenit 92, paragrafi 4, dhe të nenit 93, paragrafi 4, të Kushtetutës së Republikës së Kosovës, nenit 8 të Ligjit Nr. 08/L-117 për Qeverinë e Republikës së Kosovës, nenit 11, paragrafi 2, neni 12 të Ligjit Nr. 04/L-219 për të Huajt, në pajtim me nenin 78 të Rregullores Nr. 17/2024 të Punës së Qeverisë së Republikës së Kosovës, Qeveria në detyrë e Republikës së Kosovës, në mbledhjen e mbajtur më 19 dhjetor 2025, merr këtë:

V E N D I M

Për ndryshimin dhe plotësimin e Vendimit të Qeverisë Nr. 15/158 të datës 29.11.2013

1. Ndryshohet dhe plotësohet Aneksi 1, i përcaktuar në pikën 1. të Vendimit të Qeverisë Nr. 15/158, të datës 29.11.2013, në raport me regjimin e vizave ndaj qytetarëve të Republikës së Fixhit, për të cilët vendoset regjimi i vizave për hyrje në Republikën e Kosovës.
2. Pikat e tjera të Vendimit të Qeverisë Nr. 15/158, të datës 29.11.2013, mbesin të pandryshuara.
3. Obligohen Ministria e Punëve të Jashtme dhe Diasporës, Ministria e Punëve të Brendshme dhe Policia e Kosovës, për zbatimin e këtij Vendimi.
4. Vendimi hyn në fuqi ditën e publikimit në Gazetën Zyrtare të Republikës së Kosovës.

Albin KURTI

Kryeministër në detyrë i Republikës së Kosovës

Iu dërgohet:

- Zëvendëskryeministrave
- Të gjitha ministrive (ministrave)
- Sekretarit të Përgjithshëm të ZKM-së
- Arkivit të Qeverisë

Aneks I.

Lista që i referohet paragrafit 1 të këtij vendimi

- Antigua dhe Barbuda	- Malavi	- Rep. e Irlandës*
- Argjentina	- Malejzia	- Rep. e Islandës*
- Australia	- Maldives	- Rep. e Italisë*
- Bahamas	- Mali I Zi	- Rep. e Kilit
- Bahrein	- Mbr. e Arabisë Saudite	- Rep. e Kostarikës
- Barbados	- Mbr. e Bashkuar dhe Irlanda Veriore	- Rep. e Koresë Jugore
- Belize	- Mbr. E Belgjikës*	- Rep. e Kroacisë*
- Brunei Darussalam	- Mbr. E Danimarkës*	- Rep. e Maqedonisë
- Bulgaria*	- Mbr. Jordanisë	- Rep. e Qipros*
- Domenika	- Mbr. Holandës*	- Rep. e San Marinos*
- D. i Madh i Luksemburgut*	- Mbr. Norvegjisë*	- Rep. e Serbisë
- El Salvador	- Mbr. Spanjës*	- Rep. e Sllovakisë*
- Em. e Bashkuar Arabe	- Mbr. Suedisë*	- Rep. e Sllovenisë*
- Federata e Mikronezisë	- Meksika	- Rep. e Shqipërisë
- Fed. E Bosnjë Hercegovinës	- Mauritius	- Rep. e Turqisë
- Fixhi	- Nauru	- Rumania*
- Hungaria*	- Nikaragua	- Shën Kitts dhe Nevis
- Grenada	- Omani	- Shën Lucia
- Guajana	- Paku	- Shën Vinsent dhe Grenadina
- Guatemala	- Panama	- Samoa
- Greqia*	- Papa Guinea e Re	- Sao Tome dhe Príncipe
- Ishujt Marshall	- Paraguaji	- Selia e Shenjtë*
- Ishujt Sejšel	- Polonia*	- Singapor
- Ishujt Solomon	- Portugalia*	- Svazilandi
- Japonia	- Principata e Andorës	- Shteti i Izraelit
- Katari	- Princ. e Lichtenštajnit*	- Shtetet e B. të Amerikës
- Kanadaja	- Principata e Maltës*	- Timori Lindor
- Kiribati	- Principata e Monakos*	- Tonga
- Kolumbia	- Rep. e Austrisë*	- Trinidad dhe Tobago
- Konfederata e Zvicerës*	- Rep. e Estonisë*	- Tuvalu
- Kuvaiti	- Rep. e Çekisë	- Uruguaji
- Latvian*	- Rep. e Finlandës*	- Venezuela
- Lesoto	- Rep. e Francës*	- Vanuatu
- Lituania*	- Rep. Fed. e Brazilit	
	- Rep. Fed. e Gjermanisë*	
- Zelandue Re	- Rep. e Hondurasit	

*Shtetet anëtare të BE-së dhe shtete anëtare të zones Schengen.



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No. 14/280

Date: 19 December 2025

Pursuant to Article 92, paragraph 4, and Article 93, paragraph 4, of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo; Article 8 of Law No. 08/L-117 on the Government of the Republic of Kosovo; Article 11, paragraph 2, and Article 12 of Law No. 04/L-219 on Foreigners; and in accordance with Article 78 of Regulation No. 17/2024 on the Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, the Acting Government of the Republic of Kosovo, at its meeting held on 19 December 2025, adopts the following:

D E C I S I O N

On Amending and Supplementing Government Decision No. 15/158 of 29 November 2013

1. Annex 1, as defined in point 1 of Government Decision No. 15/158 of 29 November 2013, is amended and supplemented with regard to the visa regime for citizens of the Republic of Fiji, for whom a visa regime is established for entry into the Republic of Kosovo.
2. All other provisions of Government Decision No. 15/158 of 29 November 2013 remain unchanged.
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora, the Ministry of Internal Affairs, and the Kosovo Police are obliged to implement this Decision.
4. This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

Albin KURTI

Acting Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo

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