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Romanian Citizens will travel to Japan without a visa starting September 1, 2009

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Administration and Interior informs all the persons concerned that the Japanese Government, through the head of the diplomatic mission in Bucharest, communicated its decision regarding the removing of visas for the Romanian citizens travelling in Japan, starting September 1, 2009.

Thus, between September 1, 2009 and December 31, 2011, the Romanian citizens having a valid passport can reside within the territory of Japan without a visa for a period of time of maximum 90 days during a 6-month time span since they first entered the country.

This special regime will not be applicable to the citizens travelling in Japan with the purpose to get a job or to work in this country, in these cases a visa having to be acquired before the actual travel.

For providing a real support to the Romanian citizens travelling in Japan, as well as a direct cooperation with the local authorities, the Ministry of Administration and Interior will send an internal attaché in Tokyo, starting August 18, 2009.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs asks all the Romanian citizens who intend to travel to Japan to rigorously observe the local regulations and legislation, especially regarding the stay duration, because their own behaviour can lead to the permanently removing of the visa requirement for Japan after 2011 as well.

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