



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA  
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

**DECISION  
No.279,dated 21.05.2025**

**FOR**

**SOME ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO DECISION NO. 858, DATED 29.12.2021, OF THE  
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,  
“ON THE DEFINITION OF CRITERIA, PROCEDURES, AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE ENTRY,  
STAY, AND TREATMENT OF FOREIGNERS IN THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA,” AS AMENDED**

Pursuant to Article 100 of the Constitution and to Articles 6, point 1, letter “e”; 19, point 4,21, point 3; 23, point 1; 29, points 1 and 6; 33, point 6; 37, point 1 and 4; 56, point 7; 81, point 4; 84, point 4; 91, point 3; and 140, point 1 of Law No. 79/2021, “On Foreigners”, upon the proposal of the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Council of Ministers

**DECIDED:**

1. In Decision No. 858, dated 29.12.2021, of the Council of Ministers, as amended, the following additions and amendments are hereby made:

i. In section “C”, of Chapter II, the following additions and amendments are made:

a) At the end of letter “ç”, of subpoint 3.1, the following sentences shall be added, with the following content:

“For foreign students, the self-declaration is issued by the foreign student himself. Additionally, in the absence of such a self-declaration, proof of accommodation may be issued by the higher education institution, if it provides accommodation services for students, or it may be issued by other entities that offer this service.”

b) In subpoint 3.5, the following additions and amendments are made:

I. In letter “a”, after the words “... Albanian educational institution” the following is added:

“... after verification of the school documentation of the foreigner by the higher education institution;”

ii. In letter “b”, after the words “... of schooling” the following is added:

“... in the amount of 300,000 ALL in a bank in the country of origin;”

iii. Letter “c” is amended to read as follows:

“c) Proof of proficiency in the language of instruction of the study program, or a certificate of enrollment in a language preparatory course”.

2. In Chapter III, the following additions and amendments are made:

a) In section “A”, the following additions are made:

I. At the end of letter “a”, of point 10, the following sentence is added:

“For foreigners who stay for study reasons, a confirmation document is accepted for the types of support, such as a grant, a study scholarship, a service contract or a job offer, of not less than 300,000 ALL per person, for one (1) calendar year.”

II. After point 13, point 14 is added with the following content:



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1 Point 14. Educational institutions / higher education institutions shall report, in written or electronic form, as follows:

- a) Send periodic information every six (6) months and at any time requested by the local authorities at the border and migration regarding the attendance and progress of the foreign student in the education program, to evaluate the continuation of the residence permit and visa issuance;
- b) Send information, at any time requested by the local border and migration authorities, regarding problematic cases or violations related to foreign students,
- c) Notify the local border and migration authorities immediately after the finalization of studies of foreign students who have entered Albania with a study visa, and at the conclusion of their study”.

b) In letter “a, point 2, section “C” the following additions and amendments are made:

i. Subsection “ii” is amended and made:

“ii. the presentation of an annual certificate of personal bank deposit in second-level banks in Albania, no less than 300,000 ALL per person, per one (1) calendar year, or another document proving financial resources, such as: grant, study scholarship, employment contract or other income source, no less than 300,000 ALL per person, per one (1) calendar year.”

ii. After subsection “iv”, subsection “v” is added, with the following content:

“v. Certificate from the higher education institution where the foreign student is enrolled, for the purpose of obtaining a matriculation number.”

II. The Ministry of Interior, Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, and Ministry of Education and Sports are charged with implementing this decision.

This decision enters into force after its publication in the “Official Gazette”.

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