

**U.S. EMBASSY KUWAIT  
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 011-13**

**OPEN TO:** ALL INTERESTED CANDIDATES

**POSITION:** ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK  
FSN-105-04\*; FP-AA\*\*

**OPENING DATE:** April 21, 2013

**CLOSING DATE:** May 2, 2013

**WORKING HOURS:** FULL-TIME; 40 hours/week

**SALARY:** Full Performance Level: Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR)  
\$24,518 USD p.a. (starting salary) (Position Grade FP-AA)  
(\*\*Final grade/salary to be determined by HR/OE –  
NEA/EX/HRD)

Ordinarily Resident (OR): KD5,877 p.a. (starting salary)  
(Position Grade FSN-04)  
\*Actual grade and salary will be based on the  
qualifications of the applicant.

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

All U.S. Citizens (USEFMs, EFM's or MOH's as defined below) of U.S. Government Employees assigned to the Mission and under Chief of Mission (COM) authority are eligible for consideration. A U.S. Citizen EFM does not have to be residing in country to be considered but the sponsoring officer under COM authority does have to be officially assigned to post.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Appendix A) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in Kuwait is seeking an individual for employment in the position of Administrative Clerk to work at the Office of Military Cooperation – Kuwait (OM-CK) located at the Kuwait Ministry of Defense.

**BASIC FUNCTION OF THE POSITION**

The incumbent is responsible for maintaining files and drafting basic correspondence related to the foreign Military Sales (FMS) program between the Kuwait Ministry of Defense (MOD) Foreign Procurement Office (FPO) and the Office of Military Cooperation – Kuwait (OMC-K) Security Cooperation Directorate (SCD).

Duties Include:

- Types English language letters from FPO to SCD based on the oral guidance from FPO Officers – oral guidance may be in Arabic or English.
- Routes SCD letters from FPO to the Kuwait J-4, as appropriate, with the necessary cover letter and supporting documentation, and conducts telephonic and in person follow-up with the J-4 regarding actions taken.
- Assists SCD in follow-up with the FPO for responses to SCD letters through personal or telephonic contact with FPO Officers to determine actions taken.

- Maintains a file system of FPO correspondence with the J-4 and SCD. These files provide a record of the FMS program for the purpose of continuity.
- Assists FPO Officers in assembly of staffing packets of FMS documents for the Kuwait Audit Bureau and for MOD officials. Ensures FMS staffing packets are prepared for signature by the appropriate MOD official based on funding amount.
- Reviews the FMS quarterly Billing Statement for accuracy in conjunction with SCD and FPO officers and types FMS budget documents according to supervisor guidance in order to provide FPO with sound financial recommendations.
- Performs other clerical duties such as: photocopying, labeling files, shredding, dispatches forms to the appropriate department for action, and provides back-up support to other positions in the section, as an when required.

(NOTE: A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office.)

### **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

1. Completion of secondary school education.
2. Four years of clerical work experience.
3. Level 3 (Good Working Knowledge) Speaking/Reading/Writing of English and Level 2 (Limited Knowledge) Speaking of Arabic. (NOTE: Language skills will be tested.)
4. Knowledge of general office protocol and procedural requirements pertaining to office work. Must have general knowledge of the FMS process and the MOD FPO structure and Mission.
5. Basic computer knowledge using MS Office. Must be tactful and effective in dealing with employees and MOD contacts. Good customer service skills and ability to be discreet when handling FMS documents.

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

NOTE: Only qualified applicants will be called for a test/interview.

## **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA**

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFM's who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

## **TO APPLY**

Interested applicants for this position **must** submit the following for consideration of the application:

1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174), which is available on the Embassy's websites: <http://nea.p.state.sbu/sites/kuwait> ; <http://kuwait.usembassy.gov/> **OR**
2. A current résumé or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the UAE (DS-174) (see Appendix B); **OR**
3. A combination of both (i.e., Sections 1-24 of the UAE along with the listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet); **AND**
4. Copy of high school certificate/university degree (per the qualification requirement above); **AND**
5. Copy of the Civil ID or passport (including the residence permit page); **PLUS**
6. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.

## **SUBMIT APPLICATION (BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE) TO:**

Human Resources Office  
U.S. Embassy Kuwait  
Bayan, Block 13, Al-Aqsa Mosque Street

**OR**

Email the application to: [HROKuwait@state.gov](mailto:HROKuwait@state.gov)

NOTE: Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

**POINT OF CONTACT**

Human Resources Office

Telephone: 2259-1001

**CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: COB May 2, 2013**

The U.S. Mission in Kuwait provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices and/or courts for relief.

## Appendix A DEFINITIONS



This diagram demonstrates how an Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM) is also a U.S. - citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM).

1. **Eligible Family Member (EFM)**: An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
  - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#));
  - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
  - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51% dependent on the employee for support;
  - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51% dependent on the employee for support, unmarried and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
  
2. **U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM)**: For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
  - U.S. Citizen; and,
  - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
  - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
    - a) Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
    - b) Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
  
3. **Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM)**: EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
  - Is a U.S. citizen; and
  - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#)) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
  - Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form [OF-126](#), Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, (i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service or uniformed service member who

is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority); and

- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity.

**4. Member of Household (MOH):** An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

An MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. An MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

**5. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

**6. Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

## Appendix B

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE. **Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.**

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number (if known)
- D. Dates Available for Work
- E. First, Middle & Last Names as well as any other names used
- F. Current Address, Day, Evening and Cell phone numbers
- G. U.S. Citizenship Status (*Yes or No*) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (*Yes or No; if yes, provide number*)
- H. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number;
- I. Eligibility to work in the country (*Yes or No*)
- J. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (*Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation*)
- K. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class/Type
- L. Days available to work
- M. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship;, Agency, Position, Location)
- N. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- P. License, Skills, Training, Membership & Recognition
- Q. Language Skills
- R. Work Experience
- S. References