

**AMERICAN EMBASSY  
DAKAR, SENEGAL  
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: DKR-2012-062**

**OPEN TO:** All interested candidates  
**POSITION:** TRAVEL CLERK FSN-6  
**OPENING DATE:** September 17, 2012  
**CLOSING DATE:** October 01, 2012  
**WORK HOURS:** Full-time position 40 hours/week

***ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.***

*The U.S. Embassy in Dakar is seeking an individual for the position of **Travel Clerk***

*Copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities are available on the US Embassy website <http://dakar.usembassy.gov/>. Send your applications via e-mail to [PersonnelDakar@state.gov](mailto:PersonnelDakar@state.gov) .*

**BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION**

Incumbent is responsible for providing travel service and expeditor service to the Mission. Incumbent provides arrival and departure formalities expeditor service for employees, dependents and temporary duty personnel performing official travel. Incumbent also arranges hotel accommodation and other in-country support. Incumbent provides back-up duties during the absence of the Travel Office Supervisor.

**MAJOR RESPONSIBILTIES**

Incumbent is responsible for expediting the arrival departure formulates for official travel of permanent employees and their dependants in Senegal and for temporary duty personnel coming to, leaving from, or transiting Senegal. Provides, meets, assists and supports in customs clearance, check-in, passport formalities and baggage claim. Arranges ground transportation as necessary.

2. Incumbent makes reservations, to include transportation, hotels and excursions for CODELS and VIP visitors. Incumbent arranges for purchase or reconfirmation of tickets, adjudicated any travel-related difficulties, intercedes, when necessary, to obtain reservations and assists travelers to receive services in a smooth and as trouble - free as possible.

3. Incumbent serves as back-up for the Travel Office Supervisor performing such non- Authorization (TA) and preparing visa requests. Maintains contacts with appropriate officials and representative to facilities officials' travel of US Government employees and their dependents. Provides all travel services as required

**QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE**

- a. Education:** Completion of secondary school is required
- b. Prior Work Experience:** Minimum of one year in travel related position.
- c. Post entry Training:** on job training

- d. **Language Proficiency:** English and French level III required. Wolof level 2
- e. **Job Knowledge:** Familiarity with USG travel regulations, Fly America Act, Standardized Regulations, and pertinent sections of 3 FAM, 4 FAM, 6 FAM, and ABC travel guide and IATA regulations.
- f. **Skills and Abilities:** Facility with calculator, ability to draft basic telegrams and correspondence in English; familiarity with Windows helpful; driving license required

## POSITION ELEMENTS

- a. **Supervision Received:** Incumbent works under the supervision of the FSN Travel Supervisor, but must be able to work independently during his absence, particularly when performing duties at the airport.
- b. **Supervision Exercise:** USG travel regulations, Fly America Act, Standardized Regulations, and pertinent sections of 3 FAM, 4 FAM, 6 FAM, ABC travel guide, IATA regulations and Mission Travel Unit policy.
- c. **Available Guidelines:** Must be able to make decisions on most effective and diplomatic ways to resolve problems confronting travelers, often involving local airline or government officials. Must also make determinations most cost-effective and efficient travel arrangements in accordance with USG regulations.
- d. **Exercise of Judgment:** None
- e. **Authority to Make Commitments:** Mid-to-upper level airline and hotel managers, airport customs and immigration authorities and other officials in position to facilitate service to USG mission and visiting personnel at all grade levels.
- f. **Nature, Level and Purpose of Contacts:** None.
- g. **Time Expected to Reach Full Performance Level:** one year

**SELECTION PROCESS:** When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate's application specifically address the required qualifications above.

*NOTE: Only short listed candidates will be contacted.*

## 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 (OR) 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 US Citizen EFMs 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 Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) employees 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.
- (6) Background check will be conducted if selected.

**TO APPLY:** Interested candidates for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

- (1) Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), US Embassy Dakar Application Form, or current resume/curriculum vitae that provides the same information as the OF-612.
- (2) Letter of motivation addressing the qualification requirements of the position as listed above,

(3) Any additional documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) as relevant.

(4) Candidates who claim US Veterans' preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application.

**SUBMIT APPLICATION TO: American Embassy, Dakar, Human Resources Office**  
**E-mail Address: PersonnelDakar@state.gov**

**CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: October 01, 2012**

*The US Mission in Senegal 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.*

**DEFINITIONS:**

1. US Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) – For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- US Citizen; and,
- EFM (see below) 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:
  1. 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
  2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

2. Eligible Family Member (EFM) - An individual related to a US Government employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse;
- 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 percent 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 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

3. 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.

A 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. A MOH does not have to be a US Citizen.

4. 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 US Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a General or Foreign Service (GS or FS) salary schedule, not under the Local Compensation Plan (LCP). If an individual is holding a diplomatic status through a spouse or partner by a third country or international organization (e.g., Union Nations), the candidate is classified as Not Ordinary Resident (NOR) and paid off the US FP Scale.

5. Ordinarily Resident (OR) – A Foreign National or US 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 US Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including US citizens, are compensated in accordance with the LCP.