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**IMMIGRATION DIRECTORATES' INSTRUCTIONS**

**ANNEX C**

**CHAPTER 7  
SECTION 2**

**BRITISH OVERSEAS CITIZENS (BOCs), ETC**

**PARAGRAPH ON REGISTRATION FOR REFUSAL LETTERS**

The following paragraph should be included in the letter of refusal of applications for indefinite leave to remain.

"However you should be aware that, with effect from 30 April 2003, the provisions of the Nationality and Immigration (NIA) Act 2002 allow British Overseas citizens, British Subjects and British Protected Persons to register as British citizens if they:

- (a) hold no other citizenship or nationality, and
- (b) have not renounced, voluntarily relinquished or lost through action or inaction any citizenship or nationality after 4 July 2002.

As a [BOC/BS/BPP - delete as appropriate] you may be eligible to register under this provision. Successful applicants will become British citizens and would not require leave to remain in the UK under the Immigration Rules.

Application forms can be obtained from the Nationality Directorate application form line on 0151 237 5498 or the enquiry line 0151 237 5212 or from British Embassies and Consulates abroad. Application forms can also be downloaded from the IND website <http://www.ind.homeoffice.gov.uk> "