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Board of Directors
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Respected Directors,

CAPIC has been informed that several students have been practising immigration consulting without being members in good standing of the ICCRC. We know this based on the information they have provided in their CAPIC membership applications. CAPIC and the ICCRC must work together to create viable solutions to stem this alarming trend.

For an effective control to reduce the risk to the public, CAPIC respectfully recommends that the period between graduating from the IP program and writing the FSE be reduced from 36 months to 18 months at most. A student who fails to pass the FSE within this period would enroll in remedial study with a mandatory internship, and would be monitored, before being allowed to write the exam again.

The above measure would mitigate the risk of students becoming unauthorized representatives. In turn, it would protect the profession and the public from the dangers such individuals pose.

Secondly, PME courses, especially the code of professional conduct and language proficiency standard, could be made mandatory for students prior to enrolling in the IP program or writing the FSE.

CAPIC is looking closely at this urgent matter and is acting according to its mandate.

Your cooperation is highly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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