

# GMS Flash Alert

Immigration

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## Sweden – Implementation of Anti-Crime and Preventive Measures

The Swedish Migration Agency has submitted a report to the government detailing criminal activity within its operations and the measures taken to address these concerns.

Since autumn 2024, the Migration agency has intensified its preventive efforts, including stricter controls, revocation of residence permits when warranted, and support for the return of individuals without legal residence rights. Measures include enhanced identity verification, improved security screening for citizenship applications, and collaboration with the Swedish Security Service (Säpo) on security-related cases.

### WHY THIS MATTERS

These developments are relevant for entities involved in migration, security, and compliance. The introduction of stricter preventive measures and specialized units is expected to increase procedural oversight within the migration system. Individuals and organizations interacting with the Swedish Migration Agency should expect more thorough identity verification, expanded security checks, and a higher likelihood of residence permit revocation or return decisions.

### Key Highlights

#### Expanded Controls and Revocations

- Increased identity verification and security screening, particularly for citizenship applications.
- Prioritization of permit revocation and return processes for ineligible individuals.
- Creation of a national and regional control structure to process intelligence and tips on misuse.

## Comprehensive Crime Prevention Mandate

- Measures against rule abuse, incorrect payments, benefit fraud, and organized crime.
- Collaboration with law enforcement on serious crimes, including human trafficking.

## KPMG INSIGHTS

### Steps to Consider

In the light of upcoming changes, individuals and organizations impacted by the new requirements should consider the following actions:

- Organizations may wish to review and strengthen their internal compliance procedures to ensure alignment with the Migration agency's stricter controls.
- Legal advisors and human resources departments should monitor developments in legislative changes and adjust documentation standards accordingly.
- Entities interacting with the migration system may wish to prepare for more thorough verification processes and anticipate possible delays or increased scrutiny.

If assignees and/or their programme managers have any questions or concerns about the scope of the new requirements, its application and potential impacts, and appropriate next steps, they should consult with their qualified immigration professional or a member of the GMS immigration team with KPMG in Sweden (see the Contact Us section).

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### FOOTNOTE:

1 [Migrationsverket utvecklar sitt brottsförebyggande arbete](#), Migrationsverket was published by the Swedish Migration Agency on the official website of the Government of Sweden (in Swedish).

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