

## STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING – ORDINARY RESIDENT STATUS

A person in an overseas location that is deemed an Ordinary Resident is not eligible for employment with the United States Government. A person with Ordinary Resident status is a U.S. citizen to whom one of the following applies:

- (1) Before 1 January 2005, the person obtained a work permit or worked in the local job market without NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) status while residing in the host country.
- (2) After 1 January 2005, the person obtained a residence permit and engaged in a business activity or was employed in the local job market while residing in the host country. This includes a person who has requested a residence permit for working purposes or to pursue gainful employment.
- (3) The person resided in the host country for the time shown below without status as a member of the U.S. Forces or civilian component as defined by the NATO SOFA:
  - (a) In Belgium: 90 days.
  - (b) In Germany: 1 year.
  - (c) In Italy: 1 year. If a person has physically resided in Italy for less than 1 year without affiliation with the U.S. Forces, he or she is ordinarily resident if either of the following is true:
    1. The person registered as a *residente* in the municipal register (*Ufficio Anagrafe*) of the town where residing.
    2. The person has taken other affirmative steps to avail himself or herself of permanent resident benefits.
  - (d) In the Netherlands: 24 hours. Military members who apply for a position before separation and are hired within 90 days after separation are exempt from the 24-hour restriction.
  - (e) In the United Kingdom: 1 year.

**NOTE:** To no longer be considered ordinary resident, the individual and applicable family members (spouse and dependent children) must form an affiliation with another country and establish a bona fide resident status in that country for the minimum amount of time required by the former country’s rules to terminate ordinarily resident status in that specific country.

Please list **ALL** residences for the previous 5 years beginning with the current, including temporary housing and periods of homelessness (use a separate sheet of paper if more space is required).

From (MM/YY)	To (MM/YY)	ADDRESS (for overseas list APO)
	<b>PRESENT</b>	

Please list **ALL** your employers for the previous 5 years (**include periods of unemployment**) beginning with the current (use a separate sheet of paper if more space is required).

From (MM/YY)	To (MM/YY)	Employer Name and Address (ALL time must be accounted for)
	<b>PRESENT</b>	

- (1) I understand the definition listed above and I have NOT obtained a work permit or worked on the local economy;
- (2) I have NOT obtained a residence permit and was engaged in a business or worked on the local economy.
- (3) I have NOT resided in the host country for the time specified without NATO SOFA status.
- (4) I understand that I can be terminated from my position if I am found to be an Ordinary Resident after beginning employment.**

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_