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Passed by the National Parliament this second day of July 1986.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill passed by Parliament and found by me to be a true and correct copy of the said Bill.

J. M. Puhaika
Clerk to the National Parliament

Assented to in Her Majesty's name and on Her Majesty's behalf this eighth day of July 1986.

B Devesi
Governor-General

B. Devesi

Date of commencement: see section 1.

AN ACT to amend the Immigration Act 1978; and for connected purposes.

ENACTED by the National Parliament of Solomon Islands.

- Citation and commencement.
1. This Act may be cited as the Immigration (Amendment) Act 1986 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister shall appoint by notice published in the Gazette.
- Amendment of section 7(1)(a) of Act No. 27 of 1978.
2. Section 7(1)(a) of the Immigration Act 1978 (hereinafter called the "principal Act") is amended by substituting the word "children" for the word "family".
- Transitional provision regarding Immigration and work permits.
3. (1) Notwithstanding section 2 of this Act, any person who -
- (a) before the coming into operation of this Act, was entitled to enter, reside or work in Solomon Islands pursuant to section 7(1)(a) of the principal Act; and
 - (b) at the coming into operation of this Act, has entered and is residing in Solomon Islands,
- is entitled to continue residing and working in Solomon Islands, without having to obtain either a permit under section 8 of the principal Act or a work permit under section 68 of the Labour Act, for a period of three months commencing on the date that this Act comes into operation.
- (2) Any person to whom subsection (1) applies may apply for a permit under section 8 of the principal Act and under section 68 of the Labour Act to be issued to him within the period of three months mentioned in that subsection.
- (3) Where an application is made under subsection (2), the Principal Immigration Officer or the Commissioner of Labour, as the case may be, shall not unreasonably refuse or unreasonably delay the granting of the permit.