



United States Department of State

Office of Foreign Missions

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Ms. Sara Benjamin Bardin
Director, Office of Zoning
Government of the District of Columbia
One Judiciary Square
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 200S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA Application
Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia
601 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.

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Dear Ms. Bardin:

This letter transmits for filing an application from the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) for review of its application to improve security by enlarging the guard post and erecting a fence around its chancery at 601 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.

We certify that the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia has complied with Section 205 of the Foreign Missions Act (22 USC § 4305). Accordingly, pursuant to the Supplemental Rules of Practice and Procedure for the Board of Zoning Adjustment and Section 206 (b) of the Foreign Missions Act, the Embassy may submit its application to the BZA.

Sincerely,

Clifton C. Seagroves
Director

Diplomatic Property, Taxes,
Services & Benefits

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The Department of State acknowledges receipt of a note dated December 17, 2013, from the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia, regarding its proposal to enhance security by upgrading and expanding the guard booth and by erecting a fence around its Chancery, located at 601 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., in the District of Columbia.

The Department approves this project, subject to compliance with District of Columbia laws and regulations. In addition, a separate approval from the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) will be needed as the property is in the Shipstead-Luce Act area. For more information see <http://www.cfa.gov/shipstead/index.html>.

In connection with this project, the Embassy is reminded it may request authorization from the Department for its contractors and subcontractors to use the Embassy's mission tax exemption card for project-related goods and materials. More information regarding Purchasing Agent Arrangements can be found on the following website: <http://www.state.gov/ofm/property/constructiontax/index.htm>.

If the Embassy has any questions, it may contact the Office of Foreign Missions at 202-895-3500, extension 5, or at OFMProperty@state.gov.

Department of State,

Washington, October 6, 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line and a diagonal stroke.

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