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Dear Colleague,

Recruitment of Overseas Pupils: the impact of Tier 4

I am writing to update you on the implementation of the new points-based system of immigration applying to overseas pupils and schools which admit overseas pupils.

- **ISC Guide:** Please find attached our guide to Tier 4. Please circulate it to any of your colleagues with responsibility for pupil admissions.
- **UK Border Agency Guidance:** UKBA will shortly publish revised guidance on its website for educational institutions (including schools) and for overseas pupils. This should take into account the changes in policy we have negotiated with UKBA since publication of UKBA's Statement of Intent in July 2008.
- **ISC/UKBA seminars for ISC schools:** Places are still available for the two seminars for schools, to be held on Monday 16 March in Birmingham and Monday 23 March in Edinburgh. These are free of charge for ISC schools. Please respond direct to UKBA if you wish to reserve a place: UKBBox1@UKBA.gsi.gov.uk if you wish to attend the seminar in Birmingham, or UKBBox2@UKBA.gsi.gov.uk if you wish to attend the seminar in Edinburgh.

Yours sincerely,

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