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For those of you who don't know me, I'm Maître Isadora ALVARENGA, an immigration and family law lawyer in France.

I came to France for the first time in 2014 on an exchange to the University of Strasbourg. It was then that I fell in love with France.

I returned to Brazil and graduated in law from the University of São Paulo.

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CREATING INDEPENDENCE

In my office, I receive many cases of foreigners who have lost (or are about to lose) a job, an internship, a trip or an opportunity due to an expired document and the delays from the local authorities.

Knowing that litigation can be expensive for some and that all rights should be protected irrespectiveof financial means, I decided to create this e-book with some actions you can take to try to solve the problem without needing a lawyer.

The idea of this book is to fight unnecessary litigation and to remain available for cases where litigation is really needed.





CHAPTER 1 - EMAIL : WHAT TO WRITE, WHERE TO SEND

The first reflex when the récépissé is about to expire is to send an e-mail, but what information should be present?

A. Start by entering ALL the personal information that will make it easier to locate the file :

- Full name
- Nationality
- Date/city/country of birth
- Address
- Foreigner number

B. Help the préfecture understand your situation:

- What is your current titre (vpf, student, etc.)? And what are you asking for?

- Is it a renewal, a change of status, etc?

- When did you submit the renewal application?

- By what means was the renewal requested (ANEF, letter, DS, etc.)?

C. Make it clear why you're worried: whether it's the fear of losing your job, a trip, etc.

D. Mention the law in your letter to enforce your right to a récépissé. Copy the following articles according to your situation :
Requests to the ANEF : Article R. 431-15-1 of CESEDA
Other requests : Article R. 311-4 of

CESEDA

Make sure to say that you sent a complete dossier (with all the files required by law) and within the stipulated time-frame.

> Now the question remains: where to send the e-mail? The answer will depend on your place of residence and the competent préfecture

On the next page I've listed the emails and contact details of the main prefectures in Île-de-France. You can find this information on the website of your prefecture.



75 - Paris

https://www.prefecturedepolice.interieur.g ouv.fr/contact#264-questions-frequentes

93 - Bobigny /Seine-Saint-Denis

pref-info-etrangers@seine-saintdenis.gouv.fr

93 - Raincy

sp-le-raincy-etrangers@seine-saintdenis.gouv.fr

91 - Évry

https://www.essonne.gouv.fr/nouscontacter pref-etrangers@essonne.gouv.fr

91 - Palaiseau

pref-etrangers-palaiseau@essonne.gouv.fr

78 - Saint Germain en Laye

pref-spsgl-etrangers@yvelines.gouv.fr

78 - Yvelines pref-etrangers-pan-vers@yvelines.gouv.fr

92 - Nanterre

pref-bse@hauts-de-seine.gouv.fr

92 - Antony sp-antony@hauts-de-seine.gouv.fr

92 - Boulogne Billancourt

sp-boulogne@hauts-de-seine.gouv.fr

94 - All préfectures

https://www.val-de-marne.gouv.fr/Nouscontacter

77 - Melun

https://www.demarchessimplifiees.fr/commencer/formulaire-decontact-service-etranger

95 - Argenteuil

sp-etrangers-argenteuil@val-doise.gouv.fr

95 - Cergy Pontoise

pref-etrangers@val-doise.gouv.fr

95 - Sarcelles

sp-etrangers-sarcelles@val-doise.gouv.fr

78 - Saint Germain en Laye

rs-mantes-la-jolie@yvelines.gouv.fr

CHAPTER 2



THE IMPORTANCE TO TRY ALL MEANS

Contact them through the platform "nous contacter"

The same email you sent to the prefecture should be sent via the ANEF platform, under the "Nous contacter" tab.

Even if the ANEF agent can't issue the certificate of extension of instruction, they can contact the prefecture to resolve the situation.

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The registered letter in France is legal proof, you will have a signature proving that the recipient has received the message.

It is very important to keep a copy of the letter sent (same terms as the email), as well as all the emails exchanged with the prefecture and the ANEF.

They will be ESSENTIAL in the event of a possible litigation to obtain the récépissé.



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CHAPTER 4: DÉFENSEUR DES DROITS

The Défenseur des droits is a body that works to defend rights and freedoms.

They are an independent administrative authority, created in 2011 and enshrined in the French Constitution.

They have 2 missions:

DEFENDING PEOPLE WHOSE RIGHTS ARE NOT RESPECTED AND ENABLING EQUALITY FOR ALL

It is in this context that they act to defend the rights of citizens before the French administration.

Pourquoi souhaitez-vous faire une demande au Défenseur des droits ?*

Votre demande peut concerner une ou plusieurs missions du Défenseur des droits (*Minimum un choix obligatoire)



Unlike a judge, the Défenseur des droits cannot force the prefecture to issue the récépissé, it can only intervene in order to exert a certain amount of pressure on the progress of your file.

You can contact them via the défenseur des droits platform, by letter or by arranging a face-to-face rendez-vous.

Don't forget to send all email exchanges and letters to your defender!

https://www.defenseurdesdroits.fr/

Chapter 5 THREAT OF LAWSUIT

IT'S BEEN A MONTH OR SO AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T HEARD BACK FROM THE PRÉFECTURE ? IT'S TIME TO **THREATEN LEGAL ACTION!**

Remember that email you sent at the beginning? Now you're going to use it as the basis for your threat. To do this, you need to add two paragraphs.

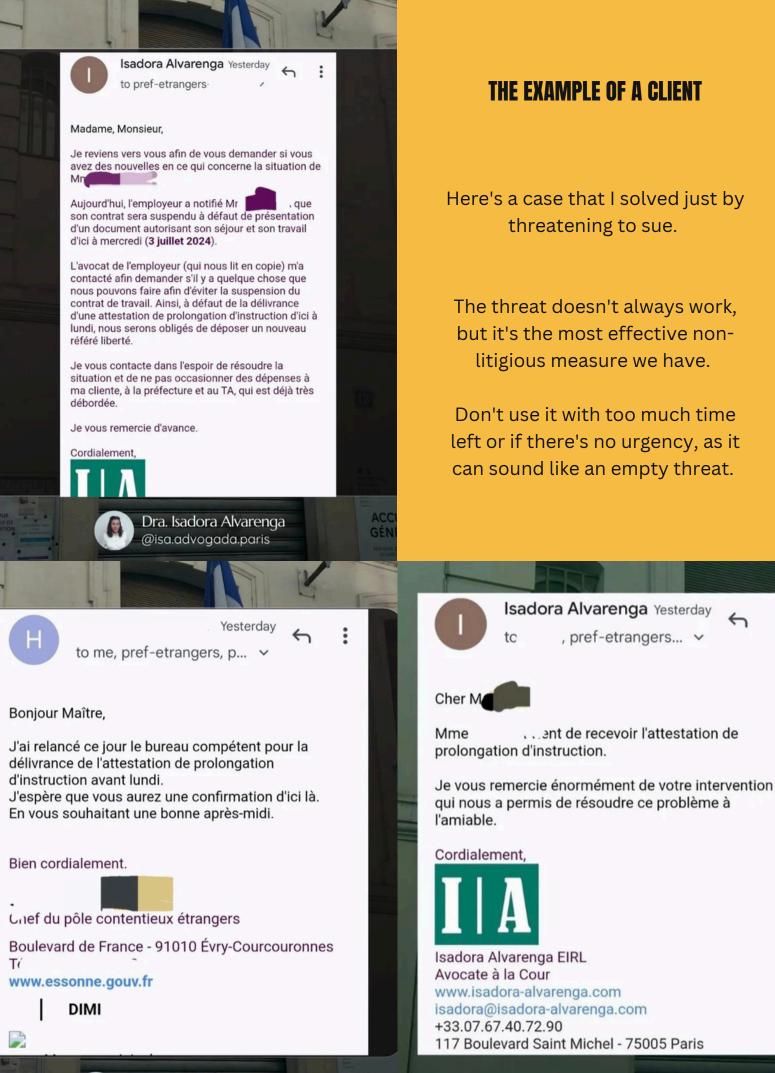
1. A paragraph listing all the attempts of amicable resolution that you have made (email, letter and défenseur des droits). Put the dates and mention that all of them either went unanswered or received automatic replies/warnings to wait.

NOW FOR THE TRICK! YOU'RE GOING TO ADD THE FOLLOWING PHRASE AT THE END:

" Si nous n'avons pas de réponse dans le délai de 15 jours, je serai contrainte de demander le secours du tribunal administratif, ce qui entraînera des coûts qui risqueraient de rester à charge de l'administration"

This phrase means, in a somewhat veiled way, that without an answer, you will go to a lawyer to start a lawsuit and that, in addition, in the lawsuit, you will ask the judge to order the préfecture to reimburse your legal fees!

Many municipalities react at this point (even more so if the letter comes from a lawyer) to avoid unnecessary expenses (yes, the judge does convict the prefecture to reimburse many times).



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ACCUEIL GÉNÉRA

IF NONE OF THIS WORKS, IT'S TIME TO GO TO A LAWYER FOR A RÉFÉRÉ

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FOR READING

I HOPE THIS E-BOOK CAN HELP YOU SOLVE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS WITH THE PRÉFECTURE ON YOUR OWN!



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