26 CFR 1.911-2: Qualified Individuals.

(Also: Part I, § 911.)

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SECTION 1. PURPOSE

This revenue procedure provides information to any individual who failed tomeet the eligibility requirements of section 911(d)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) for 2022 because of adverse conditions in a foreign country.

**SECTION 2. BACKGROUND** 

.01 Section 911 allows a "qualified individual," as defined in section 911(d)(1), to elect to exclude from gross income the foreign earned income and to exclude or deduct the housing cost amount of such individual.

.02 Section 911(d)(1) of the Code defines the term "qualified individual" as an individual whose tax home is in a foreign country and who is (A) a citizen of the United States and establishes to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the individual has been a *bona fide* resident of a foreign country or countries

for an uninterrupted period that includes an entire taxable year, or (B) a citizen or resident of the United States who, during any period of 12 consecutive months, is present in a foreign country or countries during at least 330 full days.

.03 In addition, section 911(d)(4) of the Code provides that an individual will be treated as a qualified individual with respect to a period in which the individual was a *bona fide* resident of, or was present in, a foreign country if the individual left the country during a period for which the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation withthe Secretary of State, determines that individuals were required to leave because of war, civil unrest, or similar adverse conditions that precluded the normal conduct of business. An individual must establish that but for those conditions the individual could reasonably have been expected to meet the eligibility requirements.

.04 The Internal Revenue Service previously has listed countries for which the eligibility requirements of section 911(d)(1) of the Code are waived under section 911(d)(4) because of adverse conditions in those countries. See Rev. Proc. 2022-18, 2022-13 I.R.B. 933.

## SECTION 3. SCOPE

.01 For 2022, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, has determined that war, civil unrest, or similar adverse conditions precluded the normal conduct of business in the following countries beginning on the specified date:

Country Date of Departure On or After

 Ethiopia
 January 3, 2022

 Iraq
 January 14, 2022

 Ukraine
 February 12, 2022

 Belarus
 February 28, 2022

 China
 April 11, 2022

 Mali
 July 29, 2022

For example, for purposes of section 911 of the Code, an individual who left Ethiopia on or after January 3, 2022, will be treated as a qualified individual with respect to the period during which that individual was present in, or was a *bona fide* resident of, Ethiopia if the individual establishes a reasonable expectation that he or she would have met the requirements of section 911(d) but for those conditions.

.02 To qualify for relief under section 911(d)(4) of the Code, an individual must have established residency, or have been physically present, in the foreign country on or before the date that the Secretary of the Treasury determines that individuals were required to leave the foreign country. For example, individuals who were first physically present or established residency in Ethiopia after January 3, 2022, are not eligible to qualify for the exception provided in section 911(d)(4) of the Code for 2022.

## **SECTION 4. INQUIRIES**

A taxpayer who needs assistance on how to claim this exclusion, or on how to file an amended return, should consult the section under the heading **Foreign Earned**Income Exclusion at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/us-citizens-and-resident-aliens-abroad">https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/us-citizens-and-resident-aliens-abroad</a>; consult the section under the heading **How to** 

Get Tax Help at the same web address; or contact a local IRS office.

## **SECTION 5. DRAFTING INFORMATION**

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