

## REGISTRATION OF BIRTH

### Requirements for Registration of Birth of Illegitimate Child to Allow the Usage of the Surname of the Father

Parent/s of Filipino babies born in China should first secure the translated, notarized and authenticated birth certificate from the following:

1. Notary Public Office of the city/province where the child was born
2. Foreign Affairs Service Center of the city/province where the child was born

Once this is secured, present the following to the Consulate General:

1. Original and four (4) copies of the notarized and authenticated birth certificate. The baby's footprint should be imprinted on the authentication page of the Foreign Affairs Office;
2. Five (5) copies of the Passport data page of both parents;
3. Duly accomplished FA Form No. 40 - Report of Birth form (5 copies, forms are available at the Consulate or can be downloaded at the Consulate's website);
4. Duly accomplished Affidavit of Paternity to be executed by the father (5 copies with attached 5 copies of the father's passport, forms are available at the Consulate or can be downloaded at the Consulate's website);

**OR**

Private Handwritten Instrument (PHI) executed by the father

*The PHI is used in place of the Affidavit of Paternity especially when the father is already deceased or when his whereabouts is unknown. PHI is an instrument in the handwriting of the father and duly signed by him where he expressly recognizes paternity to the child during his lifetime. Examples are personal letters, diaries signed by the father and the like.*

*Submission of an Affidavit, to be executed by the person submitting the PHI where the Affiant declares or states his/her identity and acknowledges the existence of the attached PHI together with its supporting documents, is required.*

5. Duly accomplished Affidavit to Use the Surname of the Father to be executed by the mother or the guardian or the registrant (5 copies with attached 5 copies of the mother or guardian or the registrant's passport, forms are available at the Consulate or can be downloaded at the Consulate's website); and
6. Duly accomplished Sworn Attestation on the consequences of the use of the father's surname to be executed by the mother or the guardian or the registrant (5 copies with attached 5 copies of the mother or guardian or the registrant's passport, forms are available at the Consulate or can be downloaded at the Consulate's website).

**IMPORTANT: REPORT OF BIRTH FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS AFTER THE CHILD'S BIRTH, A NOTARIZED AFFIDAVIT OF DELAYED REGISTRATION MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED.**