

CLARIFICATION

The Prime Minister's Office refers to the article published on 6 September 2025 in *Le Défi Plus*, entitled « *Suspension des mariages avec des étrangers: des couples dans l'attente* », and wishes to bring the following clarifications:

1. There has been **no suspension** of marriages between Mauritian citizens and foreign nationals. The Prime Minister's Office has issued **no directive or communiqué** to that effect. Marriages continue to be solemnized in accordance with Section 19A of the Civil Status Act, provided that all required documents are duly submitted.
2. In cases where marriages could not proceed, the applicants concerned had failed to provide the necessary supporting documents, as required under Section 19A of the Civil Status Act.
3. The Prime Minister's Office wishes to **point out** that the statement attributed to Mr. Yusuf Sooklall is **misleading** and does not reflect the policy being implemented by the Civil Status Division.

The public is therefore advised to rely on **official sources** for accurate information and to exercise caution with regard to unverified reports.

Prime Minister's Office
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