

**Article 34**  
**(Letter of invitation)**

- (1) The letter of invitation is a letter whereby an alien is invited to come to BiH for a specific purpose within a designated period of time.
- (2) A letter of invitation for entry into BiH may be issued by a BiH citizen or an alien with the approved permanent stay in BiH, or by a national or international legal person registered in BiH.
- (3) By way of derogation from paragraph (2) of this Article, a letter of invitation for the purpose of family reunification or visit may be issued by an alien who is staying on the grounds of an approved temporary residence in BiH for longer than 18 months, while an alien with an approved temporary residence for up to one year may issue a letter of invitation exclusively for the purpose of a visit.
- (4) A letter of invitation shall be issued on a prescribed form and must contain a statement that the party issuing the letter of invitation shall assume an obligation to provide for the lodgings, cover the expenses of a medical treatment, provide for subsistence and cover other costs that may arise during the alien's stay in BiH, the costs of placing him/her under supervision, the costs of his/her voluntary return or forceful removal, as well as all other costs of the alien's departure from BiH, unless the alien is able to cover these costs him/herself.
- (5) A letter of invitation must be certified by the Service in the place of permanent residence or the seat of the party issuing the letter. The Service shall certify the letter based on evidence or the grounds of the statement by which the obligation and costs referred to in paragraph (4) of this Article are assumed.
- (6) In the event referred to in paragraph (3) of this Article, the Service shall also certify the letter of invitation based on evidence on the truthfulness of the family reunification purpose.
- (7) The Service may certify a letter of invitation for a group of at least five and maximum of 50 persons who travel with a common passport.
- (8) A letter of invitation, in the sense of this Law, is also an official document of the state, entity or cantonal authorities, Brcko District of BiH authorities as well as of diplomatic-consular representation of a foreign country or an international organization which holds a diplomatic status in BiH.