



**Australian Government**  
**Refugee Review Tribunal**

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# Country Advice

## Egypt

Egypt – EGY36070 – Military service  
exemptions – Passports  
18 February 2010

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### Questions

1. **Please confirm that there is a passport stamp which indicates that a person is not wanted for military service. If so, please advise whether this means that someone has completed his service, deferred it or is exempted.**
2. **As of 2007, is it possible for an Egyptian male national to receive such a stamp on his passport if he was still subject to completing his military service in the future?**
3. **Is it possible to provide samples of stamps placed on Egyptian national passports regarding military service and an explanation of the circumstances in which they would apply?**

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) was contacted in regards to this matter on 15 January 2010.<sup>1</sup> On 16 February 2010, DFAT provided the following response:

**A. Please confirm that [there is a passport stamp which] ... indicates that [a person] ... is not wanted for military service. If so, please advise whether this means that someone has completed his service, deferred it or is exempted.**

Post can confirm that this stamp is put in an individual's passport only when the holder is no longer wanted for military service. The stamp could mean that the passport holder has completed his service, received temporary exemptions up until the point at which he received his final exemption, or was temporarily exempted from conscription for family or education reasons until the age of 30.

**B. As of 2007, is it possible for an Egyptian male national to receive such a stamp on his passport if he was still subject to completing his military service in the future?**

No. This stamp is not placed in a passport unless the holder has no outstanding military service obligations.

**C. Is it possible to provide samples of stamps placed on Egyptian national passports regarding military service and an explanation of the circumstances in which they would apply?**

A sample is attached. This stamp is placed on a passport when the holder has completed military service or is permanently exempted.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> RRT Research & Information 2010, Email to Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade: 'Refugee Review Tribunal Information Request: EGY36070', 15 January – Attachment 1; Attachment to RRT Research & Information 2010, Email to Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade: 'Refugee Review Tribunal Information Request: EGY36070', 15 January – Attachment 2.

## List of Attachments

1. RRT Research & Information 2010, Email to Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade: 'Refugee Review Tribunal Information Request: EGY36070', 15 January.
2. Attachment to RRT Research & Information 2010, Email to Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade: 'Refugee Review Tribunal Information Request: EGY36070', 15 January.
3. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade 2010, *DFAT Report No. 1110 – Egypt: RRT Information Request: EGY36070*, 16 February.
4. Attachment to Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade 2010, *DFAT Report No. 1110 – Egypt: RRT Information Request: EGY36070*, 16 February.

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<sup>2</sup> Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade 2010, *DFAT Report No. 1110 – Egypt: RRT Information Request: EGY36070*, 16 February – Attachment 3; Attachment to Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade 2010, *DFAT Report No. 1110 – Egypt: RRT Information Request: EGY36070*, 16 February – Attachment 4.