

## **Please read this paper and help us!**

### **Law abiding, tax paying foreign workers are being deported unfairly.**

#### **1. You might ask yourself: why should I read this paper?**

Even if you don't like skilled immigrants at all, like foreign software developers, chefs, but still support Swedish justice and fairness, please keep reading this flyer.

#### **2. OK, well, what kind of unfairness are you facing?**

We have been abiding by the law, paying taxes, and have integrated in the society. **We did nothing wrong**, but we are going to be deported. We are going to lose our jobs, and be forced to sell our apartments. And our kids need to adjust to new environment when we leave Sweden. Our life that we built here will be destroyed. Some of us have already been deported, and lost years of investments in Sweden.

#### **3. You did nothing wrong? OK, tell me the reason for deportation given by Migrationsverket (the Migration Agency of Sweden)?**

Most of us have missing insurances for months. Some of us had lower insurance rate, or did not take vacation during work permit holding time.

#### **4. So, why didn't you buy the insurance yourself?**

Those insurances should be bought by the employer. And the explicit information on insurances was not available in the requirements of work permit when we applied for it. We had no clue that insurance issues would lead to deportation. Many of us even got our cases approved for previous extension despite missing insurances!

#### **5. Why didn't you take vacation?**

Some of us got their extra payment for not taking vacations, which is very normal in many other countries. We would have taken vacation for sure, if the employers had told us that taking vacation is mandatory.

#### **6. I see, Migrationsverket punished you for your employer's fault. Exactly!**

#### **7. You said insurances were not included in the requirement for both work permit and its extension. How do you prove it?**

See link [work permit extension requirement at 20140423 not mentioned insurance yet, a cached migrationsverket webpage](#). They did not mention insurance requirement to us until May 2014. They applied new requirements on applicants retroactively, which means we needed to be covered by insurance even before May 2014. We had no way to know that we needed to check the insurances. So, most of us had insurance issues sometime before May 2014. Sadly, we don't have a time machine to travel back to fix the issues.

#### **8. Then why didn't we hear any deportation cases in 2014, but until recently?**

For a long time after the insurance requirements were mentioned to us, actually Migrationsverket hadn't asked us to submit any insurance document while applying. See step 3 in [Step 3: attach documents in Feb 2016](#). Many of us just got our first work permit extension without worrying about the insurance documents.

#### **9. So, they granted you the work permit extension in 2014. Why didn't they check the insurance documents back then?**

We don't know. Probably they knew that we were not informed about the insurance requirements. So they just let us pass without submitting the documents. If they had checked the insurance back then, we would have started fighting for our rights earlier.

#### **10. I understand everything now. How do you want me to help you?**

First of all, thank you for your time and patience. We will be grateful if you can share our stories with others, so more people could understand our situation.

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