The Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation presents its compliments to the diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations established in Belgium and has the honour to issue additional information regarding how to obtain an identification number (NISS) to be used in the vaccination campaign.

At the end of last week, diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations received a note informing them of the NISSs of their diplomatic staff and family members (“D” or “C” residence permits).

Members of non-diplomatic staff (“P” or “S” residence permits) and members of their families are mentioned to the municipality of their temporary residence. These members should contact the municipality of their place of residence directly to find out their NISS.

By its verbal note of May 6th, 2021, the Protocol Directorate informed diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations about an additional solution to obtain NISSs of all their members, through the Social Security services. It is recalled that this solution is limited to diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations who already have a registration number in the Crossroads Bank for Enterprises (BCE).

To resolve the difficulties encountered by some in accessing the social security network, the Protocol Directorate, in collaboration with the Social Security services, informs the diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations that they will receive within the next 24 hours an email from this address: CSAM_access_issuer@smals.be which will normally allow them to resolve the problems encountered. An explanatory user manual (in French and Dutch) will be attached to this email.

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It is important to specify that diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations which have already had an access and which are already registered with a primary access manager will not receive this email.

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A last point: the Protocol Directorate is aware that holders of a special residence permit without an electronic chip, are currently not able to consult their vaccination data electronically. All the competent administrations are working on a solution to allow secure access to this data – including the future European vaccination certificate – around June 21st.

Further information on this will follow in a week.

The Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the diplomatic missions, consular posts and international organizations established in Belgium the assurances of its highest consideration.

Done in Brussels on June 3rd 2021.