



Embassy of Italy  
Abuja

## NOTICE

### **Temporary shutdown of the VIS computer system for the processing and issuance of entry visas**

Kindly be advised that from **6:00 p.m.\*** (Rome time, CET) on **February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, until **12:00 a.m.\*** (Rome time, CET) on **February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, the VIS operating system will be temporarily shut down.

This is a scheduled and urgent technical intervention that will result in the temporary suspension of the receipt and processing of visa applications, as well as the issuance of entry visas. This suspension will affect the operations of both the visa office of the Italian Embassy of Italy and the centers managed by the outsourcer TLS Contact.

In order to minimize inconvenience to users, appointments already scheduled will be rescheduled for the days immediately before or after the period affected by the operational shutdown, taking into due consideration priority needs and urgent cases.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roberto Mengoni'.

Roberto Mengoni  
Ambassador