



Marriage of Convenience

This article was found in a Latvian newspaper

The advertisement is found in draugiem.lv, and it is as follows

Young unmarried women wanted, women who would agree to help Indian guys in Dublin with registering marriage on paper (fictitious marriage, popular in Dublin nowadays). Everything will be covered + you get 1000 EUR, + room rent covered, + work offered + pocket money, + course (professional, language) + other benefits. Also plane tickets costs will be covered. All this is legal! If you want to find out more, please send an e-mail.

When the journalist wrote a message from an anonymous e-mail address, she received the following information about what is expected:

When arriving in Ireland this marriage is not registered right away but only after 3-6 months, not earlier, because in Ireland all "paper formalities" take very long time, and after you have submitted an application you must wait for another 3-6 months until that marriage.

A fictitious marriage is registered, it is marriage on paper. With this the Indian guy may stay in the territory of Ireland legally because he has registered his marriage with EU citizen. This allows him to stay in Ireland permanently.

It does not cost anything for the person who is helping, also stamps are not put in passports any more, passport stays clean. Then this marriage is registered in local Irish computer, not in Latvian register. Marriage agreement/contract is signed and cancelled after a year. No obligations from both sides. This is just a formality. And it is legal process. At present moment it is a rather popular thing in Ireland (also in other countries, e.g. England, Switzerland and others).

Both parties gain from this – that Indian guy as well as you by helping him to get this paper. All your expenses will be covered – room rent (this saves you a lot of money because rooms are expensive in Dublin). Food, transport, work etc +1000 EUR + ticket to Dublin. Living conditions are the following – living in apartments that are shared with other workers. Salary is around 1500-2000 EUR per month, besides all money stays in your pocket as you do not have to pay anything (unlike other workers who spend about half of their salary on room rent, food, transport etc.). It is also possible to go back to Latvia once in two, three months – cost of return ticket are covered. There is access to internet and other means of communication. Work possibilities are usually the following – work in a dress store, packing/wrapping, Mc Donald's, cleaning and other places depending on the knowledge of language, other skills.

Indian women usually stay at home and do not want to go and work in Europe! This is mostly young men (20-25 years) from India who come

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You will need to have: 1) Valid passport, you need to be a Latvian citizen; 2) birth certificate or its copy; 3) serious attitude against things and responsibility for other people.