THE CONVERSION OF THE PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION INTO PERMIT OF STAY FOR WORKING REASONS IS STILL POSSIBLE IF THE PERMIT FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION WAS ISSUED BEFORE THE 6TH OF MAY 2023 OR IF THE PERMIT WAS REQUESTED BEFORE THE 6TH OF MAY 2023 (AT THE POLICE HEADQUARTERS, TO THE COMMISSION, TO THE COURT).

<u>Decreto Legge 20/2023</u> as converted into <u>Legge 50/2023</u> has modified the possibility of converting the permit of stay for special protection into a permit of stay for working reasons.

The law came into effect on the **6th of May 2023**: this means that a permit of stay for special protection requested <u>after that date can no longer be converted</u> into a permit of stay for working reasons.

## NOTE: THE NEW RULE PROVIDES THAT PERMITS OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION ALREADY ISSUED, OR REQUESTED, BEFORE THE 6TH OF MAY 2023 CAN BE CONVERTED!

Unfortunately, on the basis of Government circulars, Police Headquarters refuse to accept requests to convert permits of stay for special protection notwithstanding having been issued, or requested, before the 6th of May 2023.

The Police Headquarters do not provide for adequate information, not respecting the law and the numerous Court rulings that recognize the right to conversion, and instead of evaluating the conversion requests, they propose renewing (and not converting) the permit of stay for special protection, and ask to renounce the conversion request.

NOTE: THOSE WHO ACCEPT A RENEWAL OF A PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION AND AGREE TO RENOUNCE THE REQUEST OF CONVERSION WILL HAVE A PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION ISSUED AFTER THE 6TH OF MAY 2023. THIS PERMIT WILL NEVER AGAIN BE CONVERTIBLE INTO A PERMIT OF STAY FOR WORIKING REASONS NOR WILL IT BE RENEWABLE, AND WILL LAST ONE YEAR.

## THEREFORE:

- THOSE WHO <u>HAVE</u> A PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION, <u>ISSUED BEFORE THE 6TH OF MAY 2023 AND CURRENTLY VALID  $\rightarrow$  CAN ASK FOR A CONVERSION INTO PERMIT FOR WORKING REASONS. FOR INFO: NAGA Legal Desk or Immigration Desk: <u>https://naga.it/orari-servizi/</u></u>
- THOSE WHO <u>HAVE REQUESTED</u> A PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION <u>BEFORE THE 6TH OF MAY 2023</u> → CAN APPLY FOR A CONVERSION INTO A PERMIT FOR WORKING REASONS, EVEN IF THE PERMIT OF STAY WAS ISSUED AFTER <u>THE 6TH OF MAY 2023</u>. FOR INFO: NAGA Legal Desk or Immigration Desk: <u>https://naga.it/orari-servizi/</u>
- BEFORE RENOUNCING A REQUEST FOR THE CONVERSION OF A PERMIT OF STAY FOR SPECIAL PROTECTION INTO A PERMIT FOR WORKING REASONS, AGREEING TO RENEW IT, ASK FOR ADVICE, COME TO NAGA!!! (Legal Desk or Immigration Desk: <a href="https://naga.it/orari-servizi/">https://naga.it/orari-servizi/</a>)