主旨: Give Views

Comments:

I would like to urge the HK government to review the policies about foreigners working in HK. I am from HK and studied in New York and after my university graduation at one of the top 10 most prestigious universities in the US and working in large international corporations in HK for more than 17 years. After resigning from my last job in October 2013, it has been impossible to join back the workfoce, not because of my qualifications and work experience, but because a lot of the companies are hiring foreigners to take over our jobs. For 2 companies which I interviewed last year, they ended up hiring an American and the other a Singaporean. In New York, there are laws where the government urges the companies to prioritize hiring locals in order to help their own economy and lower the unemployment rate (not being prejudice) but I don't think that there are any laws in HK protecting the locals. If 2 people have the same qualitifications, companies should prioritize the loca! ls. Why is HK giving away jobs to foreigners when they probably don't even pay taxes? Maybe the government should apply a higher rate of income taxes to foreigners working here but bottom line is that the government should arrange laws to protect locals to get a job rather than allowing foreigners to take them when they can find a job back at their homes. I fully understand the 'Free market' but it's also important to boots HK's economy by giving local jobs to the local people. Since it's not possible to go back to the workforce in HK, I have plans of moving to New York and many of my colleagues have said that 'HK is loosing talented people over foreigners' for no reasons. I suggest the government to review some of the policies for companies to hire foreign workers such as the ones in the United States and hopefully HK will not have to loose more talents which can contribute to the growth of Hong Kong.

Thank you for your attention! Lilian