Amendments to the Royal Decree on the workings of and procedures at the CGRS and to the Aliens Act entered into force on 4 August.

The amendments include:

- The period within which and applicant may provide a reason for being absent at a personal interview is reduced from 15 to 8 days.
- An application from a person who had already received a final decision on an asylum application in another EU Member State is now considered and regisetered as a subsequent application for international protection.

The CGRS took this occasion to highlight the importance that applicants keep the authority informed of the address where they are officially residing.

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