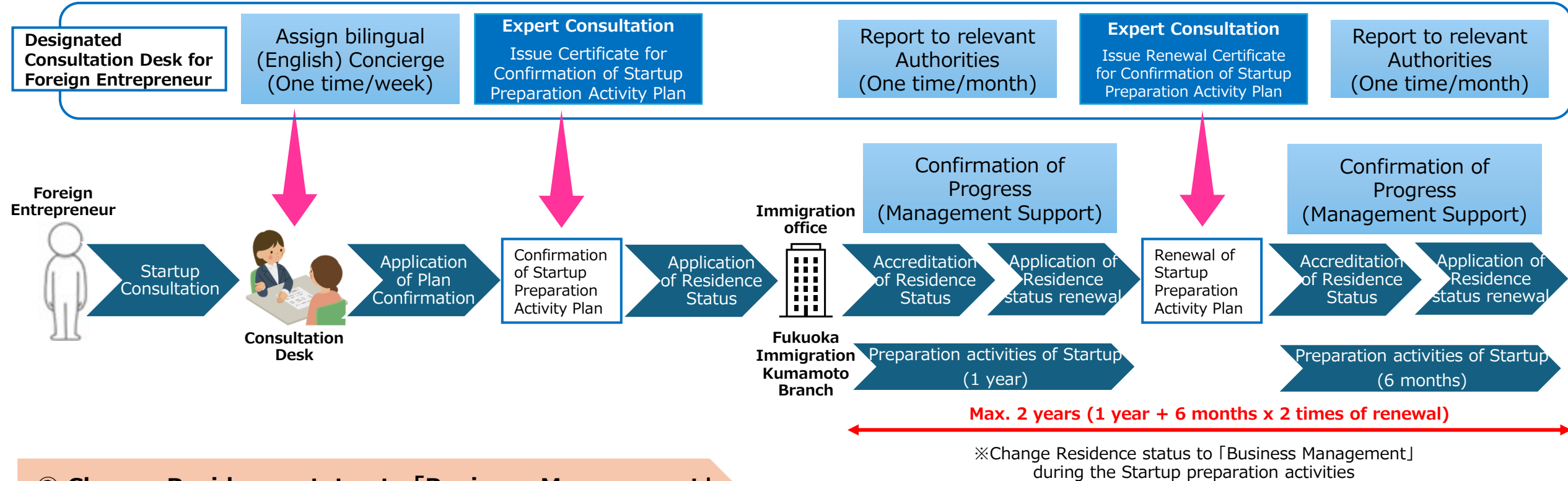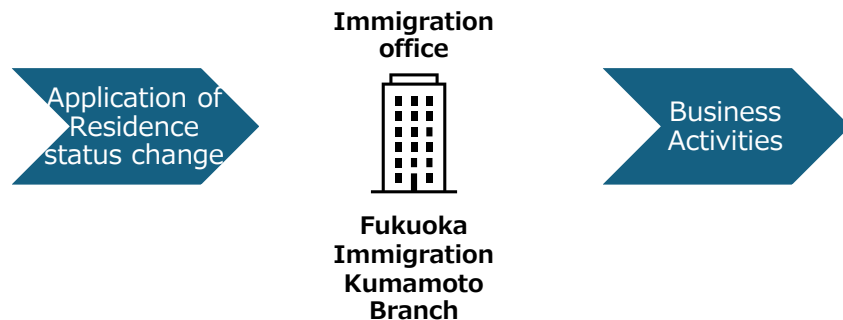# Startup Visa Application Process Flow

① Residence status 「Short stay」「Student」etc.

② Residence status Accreditation 「Designated activities (Startup preparation)」

Designated Consultation Desk for Foreign Entrepreneur

| Assign bilingual (English) Concierge (One time/week) | Expert Consultation — Issue Certificate for Confirmation of Startup Preparation Activity Plan | Report to relevant Authorities (One time/month) | Expert Consultation — Issue Renewal Certificate for Confirmation of Startup Preparation Activity Plan | Report to relevant Authorities (One time/month) |

Foreign Entrepreneur

Immigration office

Confirmation of Progress (Management Support)

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Startup Consultation → **Consultation Desk** → Application of Plan Confirmation → Confirmation of Startup Preparation Activity Plan → Application of Residence Status → **Fukuoka Immigration Kumamoto Branch** → Accreditation of Residence Status → Application of Residence status renewal → Renewal of Startup Preparation Activity Plan → Accreditation of Residence Status → Application of Residence status renewal

Preparation activities of Startup (1 year)

Preparation activities of Startup (6 months)

Max. 2 years (1 year + 6 months x 2 times of renewal)

※Change Residence status to 「Business Management」 during the Startup preparation activities

③ Change Residence status to 「Business Management」

Immigration office

Application of Residence status change → **Fukuoka Immigration Kumamoto Branch** → Business Activities

Conditions of Residence status change to 「Business Management」

① Business operation by two or more full-time employees
② The capital amount, or the total investment is JPY five million or more
③ Securing business office
※ **Mandatory to meet 「① or ②」and ③**