

Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning  
the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents

CHAPTER II

**LONG-TERM RESIDENT STATUS IN A MEMBER STATE**

*Article 13*

**More favourable national provisions**

Member States may issue residence permits of permanent or unlimited validity on terms that are more favourable than those laid down by this Directive. Such residence permits shall not confer the right of residence in the other Member States as provided by Chapter III of this Directive.