

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA ON THE EXEMPTION OF VISA REQUIREMENT FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Hereafter referred to singularly as the 'Contracting Party' and collectively as the 'Contracting Parties'

CONSIDERING the interest of both countries to strengthen their friendly relations, and

DESIRING to facilitate the entry of the citizens of the Republic of India and the citizens of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Who are holders of diplomatic or official passports into their respective countries,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

1. A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is in possession of a valid diplomatic or official passport shall be permitted to enter into, exit from and transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party through their respective international points of entry/exit without visas.

2. A citizen of either Contracting Party, holding the said passport, shall be allowed to stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party for a maximum period of ninety (90) days in any period of 180 days, without a visa.

ARTICLE 2

1. A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is assigned as a member of the diplomatic or consular staff or as representative of his/her country in an international organization located in the territory of the other Contracting Party and is in possession of a valid diplomatic or official passport, shall be required to obtain a visa prior to entry into the territory of the other Contracting Party.

2. The conditions enumerated in paragraph 1 of this Article shall also apply to the spouse of a member of the diplomatic Mission or Consulate or representative in international organization, their children and dependent parents.

ARTICLE 3

1. A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is in possession of a valid diplomatic or official passport and has to attend a meeting or conference convened by an international organisation or Government, in the territory of the

other Contracting Party, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter and stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

2. The holders of diplomatic and official passports of either Contracting Party who are employed by an international organization, body, agency or any other such entity, would be required to obtain visa prior to entry into the territory of the other Contracting Party for official or private visits.

ARTICLE 4

1. Each contracting Party reserves the right to refuse the entry into, or shorten the stay in its territory, of any citizen of the other Contracting Party, whom it may consider undesirable.

2. If a citizen of one Contracting Party loses his/her passport in the territory of the other Contracting Party, he/she shall inform the authorities concerned of the host country for appropriate action. The diplomatic Mission or Consulate concerned shall issue a new passport or travel document to its citizen and inform the concerned authorities of the host Government.

ARTICLE 5

1. Citizens of either Contracting Party, being holders of diplomatic or official passports shall abide by the laws and regulations of the other Contracting Party while crossing its frontier and throughout the duration of their stay in its territory.

ARTICLE 6

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, each Contracting Party shall transmit to the other, through diplomatic channels, specimens of its respective passports, including a detailed description of such documents currently used, at least thirty (30) days before the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. Each Contracting Party shall also transmit to the other through diplomatic channels, specimen of its new or modified passports, including a detailed description of such documents, at least thirty (30) days before they are brought into force.

ARTICLE 7

1. The duration of diplomatic and official passports of nationals of either Party shall be valid for at least 6 (Six) months on the date of entry into the territory of the country of the other party.

ARTICLE 8

1. Each Contracting Party reserves the right for reasons of security, public order or public health, to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this Agreement, which shall take effect immediately after notification has been given to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic



channels. The suspension shall not affect the rights of nationals who have already entered the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 9

1. Either Contracting Party may request in writing, through diplomatic channels, a revision or amendment of the whole or part of this Agreement. Any revision or amendment, which has been agreed to by the Contracting Parties, shall come into effect on a date to be mutually agreed upon and shall accordingly form part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10

1. Any difference or dispute arising out of the implementation of the provisions of the Agreement shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the Contracting Parties without reference to any third party or an international tribunal.

ARTICLE 11

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on a date to be mutually agreed upon by the Contracting Parties, which shall be notified through the exchange of Diplomatic Notes. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period and may be terminated by either Contracting Party by notification through diplomatic channels, which shall enter into force ninety (90) after the date of such notification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE at Roseau/Port of Spain, on this 07th day of May in the Year Two Thousand Twenty One in two (2) originals in Hindi and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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