

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND ON EXEMPTION FROM VISA REQUIREMENT FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS.

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Poland, hereafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties"

Recognizing that the strengthening of friendly relations is in the interest of both countries, and

DESIRING to facilitate the entry into the territories of their states of the citizens of the Republic of India and the citizens of the Republic of Poland who are holders of diplomatic passports issued by the Contracting Parties,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

EXEMPTION FROM VISAS

1. Citizens of one Contracting Party holding valid diplomatic passports issued by the Contracting Party, hereinafter referred to as "diplomatic passports", shall have the right to enter, exit or transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party without a visa, through border crossing points designated for international passenger traffic.
2. Citizens of one Contracting Party holding valid diplomatic passports shall have the right to stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party without a visa for a period of up to 90(ninety) days in any period of 180 (One hundred and eighty) days.

ARTICLE 2

REQUIREMENT OF VISAS FOR MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, CONSULAR POSTS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION.

A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is assigned as a member of the diplomatic mission, consular post or as a representative of his or her country in an international organization located in the territory of the other contracting party or employed by an international organization, body, agency or other such entity, and his or her family members, shall be required to obtain a visa prior to entry into the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 3

POWERS OF AUTHORITIES

Each Contracting Party shall have the right to refuse entry or shorten the stay in its territory, of any citizen holder of a diplomatic passport of the other Contracting Party whose presence in its territory is deemed undesirable.

ARTICLE 4

LOSS OR DAMAGE OF PASSPORT

In the event of a loss of a diplomatic passport by the citizen of one of the Contracting Parties in the territory of the other Contracting Party, or a damage of such passport in the territory of the other Contracting Party, this person is required to immediately inform the competent authorities of the receiving Contracting Party, through a diplomatic mission or a consular post of his or her country located in the territory of the receiving Contracting Party, so that they may take appropriate action. The relevant diplomatic mission or consular post shall issue a new diplomatic passport or other travel document to its citizen to enable him or her to cross a state border, in compliance with the provisions of law of his or her country and shall notify the competent authorities of the receiving Contracting Party of this fact.

ARTICLE 5.

DUTY TO RESPECT THE LAW OF THE OTHER CONTRACTING PARTY

The citizens of one Contracting Party holding diplomatic passports shall be obligated to respect the laws applicable in the territory of the other Contracting Party while crossing its border and throughout their stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 6

NOTIFICATION OF SPECIMENTS OR DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall, through diplomatic channels, exchange specimens of their diplomatic passports, at least 30 (thirty) days before the entry into force of this Agreement.
2. The Contracting Parties shall provide, through diplomatic channels, specimens of their new or changed diplomatic passports, together with their detailed description, at least 30(thirty) days before their official introduction.

ARTICLE 7

SUSPENSION

1. Each Contracting Party shall have the right to temporarily suspend the implementation of this Agreement, in whole or in part, for reasons of national security, public security, public order or the protection of public health.

2. The decision to suspend the Agreement or to rescind the suspension shall be promptly notified, through diplomatic channels, to the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 8

AMENDMENTS

Each Contracting Party may request in writing, through diplomatic channels, the amendment of the whole Agreement or its part. Any amendment or modification of this Agreement agreed upon by the Contracting Parties, shall enter into force in accordance with the procedure for the entry into force of the Agreement and shall form an integral part thereof.

ARTICLE 9

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any differences or disputes arising from the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled amicably through consultations or negotiations between the Contracting Parties, through diplomatic channels without reference to third parties or an international court.

ARTICLE 10

ENTRY INTO FORCE, TERM AND TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT

1. This Agreement shall enter into force 30 (thirty) days after the date of receiving, through diplomatic channels, the latter notification in which the Contracting Parties inform each other of the completion of their internal legal procedures required for the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period of time. Each contracting Party may terminate this Agreement by notification through diplomatic channels. In such a case, the Agreement shall expire after 90(ninety) days from the date of receiving the notification of termination.

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

