

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO ON EXEMPTION
FROM VISA REQUIREMENT FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC, OFFICIAL AND
SERVICE PASSPORTS**

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO

Hereinafter referred to individually 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 Kingdom of Morocco

Who are holders of diplomatic, official and service passports into their respective
countries;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE-1

VISA EXEMPTION

1. Citizens of one Contracting Party holding valid diplomatic, official or
service passports, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter, transit and stay
in the territory of the other Contracting Party for a period of stay not exceeding 30
(thirty) days from the date of each entry.

ARTICLE-2

**VISA FOR MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC, CONSULAR MISSION AND
INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

Citizens of either Contracting Party who are holders of valid diplomatic,
official and service passports and assigned as members of diplomatic or
consular mission, representatives in international organization and employees of
international organization, body or agency, in the territory of the country of the
other Contracting Party, including their family members (the term "family
members" refers to the national legislation of each Contracting Party), shall be

required to obtain appropriate entry visa from the Embassy of the other Contracting Party prior to their entry.

ARTICLE-3

RIGHTS OF AUTHORITIES

1. Citizens of either Contracting Party, being holders of diplomatic, official or service passport 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.
2. Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed as affecting the rights and obligations set out in the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April, 1961 or the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of 24 April, 1963.

ARTICLE-4

SUSPENSION

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.
2. Restoration of the Agreement shall be duly notified to other Contracting Party within no less than 72 hours from the date of notification.

ARTICLE- 5

DURATION OF PASSPORTS VALIDITY

The duration of diplomatic, official or service passports of citizens of either Contracting Party shall be at least 6 (six) months valid on the date of entry into the territory of the country of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE-6

SPECIMEN AND ISSUANCE OF PASSPORTS OR TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

The Contracting Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, within 30 (thirty) days after signing of this Agreement, the specimens of their valid diplomatic, official and service passports.

2. In case of introduction of new diplomatic, official and service passports, as well as, modifications of the existing ones, the Contracting Parties shall inform each other in writing, through diplomatic channels, about any changes not later than 30 (thirty) days prior to their official introduction.

3. In case when citizens of either Contracting Party lose or damage their diplomatic, official and service passports in the territory of the country of the other Contracting Party, they shall immediately inform the competent authorities of the receiving country through diplomatic mission or consular office of the country of their nationality. The diplomatic mission or consular office concerned shall issue to the aforementioned persons, in conformity with the legislation of their country, a document for returning to the country of their nationality.

ARTICLE-7

DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Any difference or dispute arising out of the implementation and application 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-8

AMENDMENTS

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-9

ENTRY AND EXIT CONDITIONS

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. The Agreement does not affect the applicable laws and / or regulations of the two countries relating to internal security and the entry, stay or movement of foreigners.

ARTICLE-10

ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

The Agreement shall enter into force 30 (thirty) days from the receipt of the last written notification in which the Contracting Parties inform each other, through diplomatic channels, that all requirements for the entry into force of this Agreement, as stipulated by their internal procedures, have been fulfilled.

2. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period of time, unless either Contracting Party decides to terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to other Contracting Party, through diplomatic channels, 30 (thirty) days prior to the expected termination date and termination shall take effect 30 (thirty) days after the date of receiving such notification. The termination shall not affect the rights of nationals who have already entered the territory of the other Contracting Party.

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

DONE at New Delhi on 17th November, 2015 in two originals, each in Hindi, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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