

The Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania and has the honour to communicate the following:

Referring to the Protocol between the European Union, the European Community, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein on the accession of the Principality of Liechtenstein to the Agreement between the European Union, the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on the Swiss Confederation's association with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen *acquis* and to the Regulation (CE) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a Community Code on Visas (Visa Code), the Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein proposes, in compliance with Article 8 (4) of the Visa Code, the following bilateral agreement between the Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania.

#### 1. Scope of the representation

The Republic of Lithuania will represent the Principality of Liechtenstein for the purpose of examining applications and issuing visas for short stays in the Schengen area (visa type C) at the following consular post:

### - Chicago (USA)

for visa applications originating from the consular district of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania may agree upon the modification of the list of representing diplomatic missions or consular posts by an exchange of verbal notes.

The representation shall include:

- The collection of applications and, if necessary, of biometric data in accordance with Article 8 (1) of the Visa Code, first phrase;
- The examination of visa applications and the issuing of visas, in accordance with Article 8 (1) of the Visa Code, first phrase;
- The refusal of visas after examination of the application in accordance with Article 8 (4) (d) of the Visa Code;
- The collection of fees, by the representing Member-State, in conformity with Article 16 of the Visa Code;
- Appeals shall be conducted in conformity with Article 32 (3) of the Visa Code.

# 2. Conditions of the representation

The representing state shall be authorized to affix visas to all travel documents recognized by the represented authorities as valid.

Supporting documents for the visa application, if necessary, should be translated in one of the working languages of the issuing consular post. All translation costs shall be supported by the visa applicants.

For nationalities for which consultation is required under Article 22 of the Visa Code, the consultation will be executed by the representing State.

No visa with limited territorial validity falling under the definition of Article 25 (1) of the Visa Code will be issued by the representing Member-State, unless the

represented Member-State specifically requests it, through the national authorities below designated under number 4 of this Agreement.

Limited territorial validity visas falling under Article 25 (3) of the Visa Code will be issued by the representing Member-State only if the represented Member-State recognizes the travel document as valid, without prejudice of Article 29 (2) of the Visa Code.

Statistics concerning visas issued in representation shall be sent on a yearly basis.

Fees for visa applications are to be charged in accordance with the Schengen Acquis. The Republic of Lithuania is entitled to all visa fees. Besides that the Principality of Liechtenstein will not give any financial compensation to the Republic of Lithuania for handling the visa applications. This applies to general expenses such as rent, staff and IT equipment as well as to specific expenses like postage, courier fees and fax.

# 3. Duration of the representation and termination procedure

In conformity with Article 8 (4) of the Visa Code, this verbal note and the corresponding note of acceptance will together constitute a bilateral representation agreement with regard to Schengen visas between the Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, which will enter into force on 1 January 2017 and will be concluded for an indefinite period.

This agreement can be amended at any time, in whole or in part, by means of an exchange of notes or denunciated via diplomatic channels by one or the other party. In the event of denunciation, this agreement remains in force for a period of ninety (90) days from the day of receipt of the notification. It will cease to be

applicable on the date on which the Schengen Association Agreement ceases to apply in conformity with Article 7 (4), 10 (3) or 17 of the said Agreement. This agreement can be suspended at any time, in whole or in part. The dates on which the suspension begins and ends must be notified through diplomatic channels and are effective thirty (30) days from the date of this notification unless agreed otherwise.

The practical conditions of implementation of this arrangement may be agreed upon informally.

Any differences or disputes arising from the interpretation of the provisions of this arrangement shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation through diplomatic channels.

#### 4. Contacts of the Liechtenstein and Lithuanian authorities

In the event of difficulties or questions, the reference posts of the Principality of Liechtenstein are:

- Migration and Passport Office of the Principality of Liechtenstein
- Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein

In the event of difficulties or questions, the reference post of the Republic of Lithuania is:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania

The Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vaduz, 1 December 2016 Ref. 2016-04



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania J.Tumo-Vaižganto Str. 2 LT-01511 Vilnius



# MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

No. 5-641/2016

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania presents its compliments to the Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein and has the honour to confirm the receipt of the note of 1 December 2016 whose content is the following.

Beginning of the quote. The Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania and has the honour to communicate the following:

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The Office for Foreign Affairs of the Principality of Liechtenstein avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania the assurances of its highest consideration. End of the quote.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania agrees with the terms of the above transcribed note, which with this present note shall constitute a bilateral representation agreement with regard to Schengen visas between the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein. The agreement will enter into force on 1 January 2017 and will be concluded for an indefinite period.

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