

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT
ON THE EXEMPTION OF VISA REQUIREMENT
FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties",

being guided by the desire to develop further friendly relations between the two States,

desiring to promote, facilitate and encourage exchange of visits of officials by the exemption of visa requirements for holders of their valid diplomatic passports,

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. Citizens of the State of either Party, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, shall be exempted from visa requirement for transit through or an intended stay on the territory of the State of the other Party (hereinafter referred to as "the receiving State") not exceeding ninety (90) days in any one hundred and eighty (180) days period, provided that they do not carry out a paid activity during their stay and their diplomatic passports are valid at least three (3) months after the intended date of departure from the territory of the receiving State.

2. Citizens of the State of either Party, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports and assigned as members of diplomatic missions or consular posts as well as representatives of international organizations, located in the territory of the receiving State, including their family members belonging to their household, shall be required to obtain appropriate entry visa prior to their entry into the territory of the receiving State for the accreditation.

Article 2

1. All persons referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, shall cross the border of the receiving State only through the border crossing points open to international passenger traffic and follow all necessary formalities in accordance with the immigration laws and regulations of the receiving State.

2. The Parties shall inform each other immediately of any changes in their respective laws and regulations governing the entry and stay of foreigners.

Article 3

Either Party shall reserve the right to refuse entry or stay to its territory to citizens of the State of other Party on grounds of state security, public order, or for public health reasons, as well as the right to shorten or terminate the stay of such person, in accordance with the laws and regulations of the receiving State.

Article 4

The persons referred to in Article 1 of the present Agreement shall observe and respect the existing laws and regulations of the receiving State while staying in its territory.

Article 5

1. The application of the present Agreement may be provisionally suspended, in whole or in part, by either Party, on grounds of state's national security, public order, or for public health reasons.

2. The introduction and termination of such suspension shall be notified to the other Party through diplomatic channels not later than forty eight (48) hours before the entry into effect of such measure.

3. The right of the other Party to similarly suspend the application of this Agreement provisionally, in whole or part, during the period of suspension by the first Party, shall not be affected by paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article.

4. The suspension of the application of this Agreement shall not affect the rights of citizens, referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, who already stay in the territory of the receiving State.

Article 6

1. The competent authorities of both Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, specimens of their valid diplomatic passports not later than thirty (30) days after the date of signature of this Agreement.

2. In case of introduction of a new diplomatic passport or modification of the existing one, the Parties shall convey to each other, through diplomatic channels, specimens of these passports, no later than thirty (30) days before the date of the new passports or modifications enter into force.

Article 7

Any differences or disputes arising from the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement shall be settled amicably by consultations or negotiations between the Parties through diplomatic channels.

Article 8

1. This Agreement shall enter into force thirty (30) days from the date of the receipt through diplomatic channels of the last written notification by which the Parties have formally communicated to each other that their respective internal procedures, necessary for its entry into force, have been completed.

2. This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties in the form of additional Protocols or exchange of Diplomatic Notes. These documents shall be considered as an integral part of this Agreement and shall enter into force in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article.

3. This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period and shall remain in force until the expiration of three (3) months from the date of the receipt by one of the Parties through diplomatic channels of written notice of termination of the other Party.

Signed in Sharm El-Sheikh on 25 February 2019 in two originals, each one in the Lithuanian, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

**For the Government
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