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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania and has the honour to propose to conclude an *Agreement between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on Mutual Visa Representation* (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), which runs as follows:

The Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties") have agreed, in accordance with Article 8.4 of Regulation (EC) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a Community Code on Visas (Visa Code), the following:

1. Extent of Representation

- a) The Czech Republic shall represent the Republic of Lithuania for the purpose of examining applications and issuing short stay Schengen visas in the following location:

Mongolia - Embassy of the Czech Republic in Ulaanbaatar (hereinafter referred to as the "Mission")

- b) The Republic of Lithuania shall represent the Czech Republic for the purpose of examining applications and issuing short stay Schengen visas in the following location:

Republic of Belarus - Consulate General of the Republic of Lithuania in Hrodna (hereinafter referred to as the "Mission")

The representation is limited by the territorial scope of consular activities of the given Consulate General of the Republic of Lithuania.

2. Legal Basis

- (a) The basis of this representation is the Visa Code and this Agreement.
- (b) The practical conditions of implementation of this Agreement may be agreed upon by mutual written consent of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs.
- (c) The Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and of the Republic of Lithuania may agree upon the modification of the list of representing Missions by an exchange of notes of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs.

3. Visa procedures

- (a) The Mission of the representing State shall process visa applications of persons legally residing in the country in which the relevant Mission operates.
- (b) The Mission of the representing State shall issue visas only to holders of those travel documents recognised by the Czech Republic and by the Republic of Lithuania.
- (c) No visa with limited territorial validity (VLTV) can be issued without authorisation by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the represented State. This does not, however, apply if the limitation is solely due to the fact that not all Schengen Member States recognise the travel document of the applicant, but this travel document is recognised by the Czech Republic and by the Republic of Lithuania.
- (d) In exceptional cases when the represented State is interested in the issuance of a visa with limited territorial validity, the Mission of the represented State shall send a request directly to the respective Mission of the representing State.
- (e) If the Mission of the representing State finds that all the conditions for issuing a visa are met, the Mission shall issue a short stay visa.
- (f) If the Mission of the representing State considers that the conditions for issuing a visa are not met, the Mission is entitled to refuse to issue the visa on behalf of the represented State after examination of the application according to Art. 8.4 (d) of the Visa Code.
- (g) In the event of doubt concerning an inviting or invited person, or with respect to documents attached to the visa application, the Mission of the representing State may contact the competent official of represented State. The relevant contact information shall be exchanged by an exchange of notes of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs.
- (h) On a yearly basis or upon request by the represented State, the representing State shall provide statistical data for each location on visas issued and refused on behalf of the

represented State.

- (i) In exceptional cases when the represented State is interested in the issuance of a visa for an applicant who does not reside legally in the State, where it is represented, the Mission of the represented State shall send a request directly to the respective Mission of the representing State.

4. Visa fees

- (a) Fees for visa applications are to be charged in accordance with the Visa Code.
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5. Consultations

Consultations concerning visa applications received by the representing State, required by other Member States in accordance with Article 22 of the Visa Code, shall be conducted by the representing State.

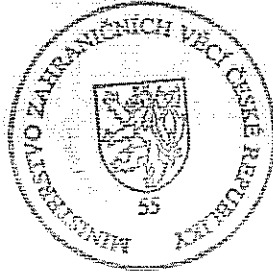
6. Final clauses

- (a) This Agreement is concluded for an unlimited period of time.
- (b) This Agreement may be amended or terminated at any time by exchange of notes. The application of this Agreement may be suspended or the Agreement may be withdrawn by a written notification to the other Contracting Party. Such suspension or withdrawal shall take effect upon the expiry of fourteen days from the day of the receipt of such a notification by the other Contracting Party.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Lithuanian side, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic has the honour to suggest that the present note and the reply note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania shall constitute *the Agreement between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on Mutual Visa Representation*, which shall enter into force on February 1, 2015.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Lithuania the assurances of its highest consideration. *H.*

Prague, 9 January 2015



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania

Vilnius



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

No. 5-43/2015

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and has the honor to confirm the receipt of the Ministry's note No 300104/2015-KKM of 9 January, 2015 whose content is the following.

Beginning of the quote. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania and has the honour to propose to conclude an *Agreement between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on Mutual Visa Representation* (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), which runs as follows:

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic 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 the Agreement between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on Mutual Visa Representation. The Agreement shall enter into force on February 1, 2015.

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Vilnius, 30 January 2015

