

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKMENISTAN
ON VISA EXEMPTION FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC
PASSPORTS**

The Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of Turkmenistan, hereinafter referred to as *the Parties*,

With a view to promoting friendly relations between the two countries and to facilitating travels of their nationals;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The nationals of the Republic of Estonia holding valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia may enter, exit, transit through and stay in Turkmenistan without visas for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days during a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their entry.
2. The nationals of Turkmenistan holding valid diplomatic passports of Turkmenistan may enter, exit, transit through and stay in the Republic of Estonia without visas for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days during a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their entry.

Article 2

1. The nationals of the Republic of Estonia holding valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia who are appointed to a diplomatic mission, consular post or a mission of the Republic of Estonia to an international organization located in the territory of Turkmenistan, as well as their family members forming a part of their household and holding valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia, may enter, stay and exit from Turkmenistan without visas for the entire period of their accreditation.
2. The nationals of Turkmenistan holding valid diplomatic passports of Turkmenistan who are appointed to a diplomatic mission, consular post or a mission of Turkmenistan to an international organization located in the territory of the Republic of Estonia, as well as their family members forming a part of their household and holding valid diplomatic passports of Turkmenistan, may enter, stay and exit the Republic of Estonia without visas for the entire period of their accreditation.

3. A diplomatic mission of the sending State shall inform in due time the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the host State of the arrival of persons mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article at their place of work in the territory of such a State and of their final departure.

Article 3

The nationals of the State of either Party entitled to visa exemption under the provisions of Articles 1 or 2 of this Agreement may enter, transit through or exit the territory of the other Party at any border crossing point open for international passenger traffic, provided that they observe the laws and regulations of the respective Party governing the entry, travel and stay of foreigners.

Article 4

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

Article 5

This Agreement does not affect the obligations of nationals of the State of either Party to abide by the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the other Party.

Article 6

Competent authorities of each Party shall have the right to refuse entry or terminate the stay of any person entitled to visa exemption under this Agreement on the grounds of public order or national security.

Article 7

For reasons of maintaining public order and security, either Party may suspend application of this Agreement in whole or in part. The other Party shall be informed by written notification of the suspension and revocation of suspension no later than fifteen (15) days in advance of such decision through diplomatic channels.

Article 8

In case of loss of the diplomatic passport of national of the State of one Party in the territory of the State of the other Party, it shall be reported to the competent authorities concerned of the host country. The diplomatic mission or consular post concerned will issue a new passport or travel document to its citizen and inform the concerned authorities of the host Government.

Article 9

1. The Parties shall provide each other, through diplomatic channels, with specimens of their valid diplomatic passports no later than thirty (30) days after the date of signing this Agreement.
2. In case of introduction by either Party of new diplomatic passports, such Party shall provide the other Party, through diplomatic channels, with specimens of the new passports no later than thirty (30) days prior to their introduction.

Article 10

Any dispute arising out of implementation or application of this Agreement shall be settled by negotiation and consultation between the Parties.

Article 11

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the sixtieth (60) day from the date of receipt through diplomatic channels of the last written notification by the Parties of the completion of their internal procedures necessary for its entry into force.
2. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period. Each Party may terminate this Agreement by sending through diplomatic channels a written notification to the other Party. This Agreement shall terminate ninety (90) days after the date of receipt of this notification by the other Party.
3. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties. Such amendments shall be made in the form of protocols to this Agreement.

DONE at Ashgabat on 12th of December 2015 in two (2) originals, in the Estonian, Turkmen and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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