

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

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

desiring to strengthen friendly relations between both States and to facilitate the entry of holders of diplomatic passports of the Parties,

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. Citizens of the Republic of Estonia, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, and citizens of the Arab Republic of Egypt, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, may enter, exit, transit through and stay on the territory of the State of the other Party without a visa for a period of up to 90 days during a period of 180 days from the date of their first entry, provided that they shall not take up any employment, be it self-employment or any other private activity on the territory of the other Party.

2. Citizens of the Republic of Estonia, who are members of diplomatic missions, consular posts, as well as representatives of international organizations located in the territory of the Arab Republic of Egypt, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, and citizens of the Arab Republic of Egypt, who are members of diplomatic missions, consular posts, as well as representatives of international organizations located in the territory of the Republic of Estonia, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports may enter, exit, transit through and stay on the territory of the other Party without a visa for a period of up to 90 days during a period of 180 days from the date of their first entry.

3. Members of the families of persons referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, who reside with the latter and hold valid diplomatic passports may enter, exit, transit through and stay on the territory of the other Party without a visa for a period of up to 90 days during a period of 180 days from the date of their first entry.

Article 2

The visa requirement exemption agreed upon under this Agreement does not exempt the members, specified in Article 1, paragraphs 2 and 3, from the accreditation before the host State, provided for in Article 10 of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations from 18 April 1961 and Article 11 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations from 23 April 1963 according to the legislation of the State of the receiving Party.

Article 3

All persons referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, may enter, transit through or exit the territory of the State of the other Party at any border crossing point open for international passenger traffic.

Article 4

Either Party shall reserve the right to refuse entry into or stay in the territory of its State to citizens of the State of the other Party for reasons of national security, health or public order preservation.

Article 5

1. Persons referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, shall observe and respect the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the State of the other Party while staying in its territory.

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

Article 6

1. The Parties may totally or partially suspend the application of this Agreement for reasons of national security, health or public order preservation.

2. The adoption and termination of such measures shall be immediately notified to the other Party through diplomatic channels not later than 48 hours before its entry into force.

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

Article 7

1. For the purpose of implementation of this Agreement, the competent authorities of both Parties shall exchange specimens of their diplomatic passports through diplomatic channels not later than 30 days before the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. In case new documents or amendments to existing diplomatic passports are introduced, the Parties shall inform each other accordingly and deliver through diplomatic channels, specimens of the new or amended documents at least 30 days before the date the new or amended documents enter into force.

Article 8

1. This Agreement shall enter into force 30 days from the date of receipt of the last written notification by which the Parties have notified each other through diplomatic channels that their respective internal procedures for the entry into force of this Agreement have been completed. This Agreement shall be valid for an indefinite period.

2. Either Party may, at any time terminate this Agreement by notifying the other Party through diplomatic channels. The termination shall take effect 90 days after the date of receipt of such notice.

Done at Kairo on 20 February 2023 in two originals in the Estonian, Arab and English language, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government
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