

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE ON VISA-FREE TRAVELS FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS**

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE

Hereafter referred to singularly as the “Contracting Party” and collectively as the “Contracting Parties”

CONSIDERING the interest of both countries to strengthen their friendly relations, and

DESIRING to facilitate the entry of the citizens of the Republic of India and the citizens of Ukraine

Who are holders of diplomatic passports into their respective countries,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS

**ARTICLE 1**

1. A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is in possession of a valid diplomatic passport, shall be permitted to enter into, exit from and transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party through their respective international points of entry/exit without visas.
2. A citizen of either Contracting Party, holding the said passport shall be allowed to stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party without a visa for the maximum period of ninety (90) days in case of India and a maximum period of ninety (90) days within one hundred and eighty (180) days in case of Ukraine.
3. Any extension beyond these stipulated periods shall be considered by the competent authorities of the receiving States on the receipt of formal request from the concerned Mission and Posts of the concerned authorities.

**ARTICLE 2**

1. A citizen of either Contracting Party, who is assigned as a member of the diplomatic or consular staff in the territory of the other Contracting Party and is in possession of a valid diplomatic passport, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter the territory of the other Contracting Party, and shall be granted, on request from the diplomatic mission/consular post concerned, within ninety

days of the arrival of the diplomatic passport holder, a residence visa for period of his/her official stay.

2. A citizen of one Contracting Party being the representative of his/her country in an international organization located in the territory of other Contracting Party holding the said passport shall also enjoy the rights mentioned in paragraph-1 of this Article.

3. The facilities enumerated in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall also apply to the spouse of a member of the diplomatic Mission or Consulate or representative in international organization, their children and their dependent parents, provided they hold a similar category of passport or the children's names are entered in their father's or mother's passport.

### **ARTICLE 3**

1. Each Contracting Party reserves the right to refuse entry into, or shorten the stay in its territory, of any citizen of the other Contracting Party, whom it may consider undesirable.

2. If a citizen of one Contracting Party loses his/her passport in the territory of the other Contracting Party, he/she shall inform the authorities concerned of the host country for appropriate action and the concerned authorities shall provide a report regarding intimation of loss of passport. The diplomatic Mission or Consulate concerned will issue a new passport or travel document to its citizen and inform the concerned authorities of the host Government.

### **ARTICLE 4**

Citizens of either Contracting Party, being holders of diplomatic passports, shall abide by the laws and regulations of the other Contracting Party while crossing its frontier and throughout the duration of their stay in its territory.

### **ARTICLE 5**

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, each Contracting Party shall transmit to the other, through diplomatic channels, specimens of its respective passports, including a detailed description of such documents currently used, at least thirty (30) days before the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. Each Contracting Party shall also transmit to the other through diplomatic channels, specimen of its new or modified passports, including a detailed description of such documents, at least thirty (30) days before they are brought into force.

## ARTICLE 6

Each Contracting Party reserves the right for reasons of security, public order or public health, to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this Agreement, which shall take effect immediately after notification has been given to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic channels.

## ARTICLE 7

Either Contracting Party may request in writing, through diplomatic channels, a revision or amendment of the whole or part of this Agreement. Any revision or amendment, which has been agreed to by the Contracting Parties, shall come into effect on a date to be mutually agreed upon and shall accordingly form part of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 8

Any difference or dispute arising out of the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the Contracting Parties without reference to any third party or an international tribunal.

## ARTICLE 9

This Agreement shall enter into force on 30<sup>th</sup> (thirtieth) day following the date on which the Contracting Parties notify each other that their internal procedures necessary for the entry into force of this Agreement have been completed. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period and may be terminated by either Contracting Party by notification through diplomatic channels, which shall enter into force sixty (60) days after the date of such notification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE at New Delhi on this 25th day of November in the year two thousand eleven in two(2) originals; in Hindi, Ukrainian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

FOR THE CABINET OF  
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