

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF MALTA ON WAIVER OF VISA REQUIREMENT
FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Malta hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties"

Considering the conversations held by the authorities of our respective countries, aimed at strengthening the traditional links of friendship and collaboration existing between the two Governments, and

Desiring to increase the cooperation between their respective countries, in order to facilitate the entry and the exit of the holders of Diplomatic Passports of both Contracting Parties,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Nationals of the Contracting Parties who are holders of valid diplomatic passports may enter into, exit from, transit through and stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party, without a visa for a period of time not exceeding ninety (90) days in a year from the date of entry.

ARTICLE 2

Nationals of either Contracting Party, holding valid diplomatic passports and accredited in the territory of the other Contracting Party, as well as their spouse and children, who accompany them and live with them, shall be required to obtain visa prior to their arrival in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 3

Holders of diplomatic passports of either Contracting Party may enter into, transit through and depart from the official border points. This Agreement does not exempt nationals of the Contracting Parties from their obligation to respect the laws of the other Contracting Party during their stay in its territory.

ARTICLE 4

Each Contracting Party reserves the right to refuse entry or to terminate the stay of persons considered undesirable or likely to endanger the public peace or public order or public health or national security.

ARTICLE 5

Each Contracting Party may suspend this Agreement either in whole or in part, due to reasons of public order or security or health protection. The suspension shall be notified in writing to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 6

1. The Contracting Parties will exchange, through diplomatic channels, samples of valid Diplomatic passports, within thirty (30) days after the entry into force of this Agreement.
2. In case of any modification of the Diplomatic passport, the Contracting Parties will exchange through diplomatic channels, their new specimen and information about the applicability of the valid diplomatic passport, within thirty days from its circulation.

ARTICLE 7

Any dispute arising between the Contracting Parties concerning the interpretation and implementation or application of this Agreement shall be settled through consultations and negotiations, without reference to any third party or an international tribunal.

ARTICLE 8

Any amendments of this Agreement may be carried out on the basis of written consent between the Contracting Parties. Such amendments shall enter into force in accordance with Article 10 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9

Either Contracting Party may terminate this Agreement by giving a written notice to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic channels. The termination shall take effect ninety (90) days after the date of notification.

ARTICLE 10

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of receipt of the later notification through diplomatic channels by which the Contracting Parties notify each other the completion of internal legal procedures that are necessary for its entering into force.


Done at New Delhi on November 10, 2013, in two originals, each in Hindi and English languages, both texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of
The Republic of India



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