

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF PERU ON THE WAIVER OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR DIPLOMATIC, SPECIAL AND OFF...

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The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Peru 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,

Desiring to increase the development and cooperation between their respective countries, in order to facilitate the travel of their nationals,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The nationals of either Contracting Parties who are holders of valid diplomatic, official or special passports, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter and stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party for a period which does not exceed ninety (90) days from the date of entry.

ARTICLE II

If the holders of the passports referred to in the paragraph above intend to continue their stay, upon completion of the aforementioned term, in any of the two countries, they shall be required to obtain the corresponding authorizations to extend their stay issued by appropriate authorities in accordance with the applicable legal provisions.

ARTICLE III

The holders of the passports referred to in this Agreement may enter the territory of the other Contracting Party without visa requirement and may carry out official and tourist activities or travel to a third country.

ARTICLE IV

To carry out activities other than those indicated in Article III above, the holders of the passports referred to in this Agreement shall be required to secure the appropriate visa/migratory quality status issued by the competent authorities of each Contracting Party in accordance with their respective laws and regulations without prejudice to the provisions of Article VI below.

ARTICLE V

The holders of the passports referred to in this Agreement may enter and depart from Peru and the Philippines by any point authorized for that purpose by the competent migration authorities, without any restriction except for those stipulated in the security, migratory, custom and sanitary provisions and others which may be legally applicable to the holders of diplomatic, official or special passports.

ARTICLE VI

The personnel holding diplomatic, official or special passports assigned to the Embassy or to any of the Consulates of the Republic of the Philippines located in Peru or to the Embassy or to any of the Consulates of the Republic of Peru located in the Philippines, respectively, shall not be required to obtain the corresponding visa within thirty (30) days after their entry to the country, during which time they should obtain the necessary authorizations applicable to the personnel of foreign missions residing in the country in accordance with their laws.

The provisions of this Agreement shall also apply to the immediate family and household members of the persons mentioned in this Article, provided that such family and household members are also holders of diplomatic, official or special passports.

ARTICLE VII

Both Contracting Parties reserve the right to refuse admission to persons considered undesirable or likely to endanger the public peace, public order, public health or national security and for those already in the territory of the Receiving State, to shorten their stay.

ARTICLE VIII

Each Contracting Party can suspend this Agreement either in whole or in part, due to reasons of public order, security or health protection. The suspension shall be notified in writing to the other Party through diplomatic channels, thirty (30) days prior to the entry into force of this measure.

ARTICLE IX

This Agreement shall become effective on the date of the latter notification by the Contracting Parties that they have complied with their respective internal requirements for its entry into force. The Contracting Parties further commit themselves to notify their respective consular, immigration and customs authorities of the entry into force of this Agreement.

ARTICLE X

Any of the Contracting Party may terminate this Agreement by giving to the other Contracting Party a written notice of termination, through diplomatic channels, thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination. Signed this 15th day of November 1996, in Manila, Philippines, in two (2) copies, in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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