

**AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC
ON MUTUAL ABOLITION OF VISA REQUIREMENTS
FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS
AND FACILITATION OF ISSUE OF VISA FOR THE HOLDERS OF
OFFICIAL/SERVICE PASSPORTS**

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the Government of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as "Contracting Parties"),

Desiring to facilitate the entry and movement of their nationals, and
Wishing to strengthen the friendly relations between both countries,
Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Nationals of either Contracting Party, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, shall be allowed to enter, exit, transit through and stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party without a visa for a maximum period of ninety (90) days from the date of entry.

Article 2

1. Nationals of either Contracting Party, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports and are the officials of the diplomatic mission, consular post or international organization in the territory of the other Contracting Party, as well as their family members holding valid diplomatic passports, shall be allowed to enter, exit and stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party without a visa for the whole period of their accreditation.

2. Within ninety (90) days from the date of entry, the persons referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall complete necessary procedures for registration of stay at the competent authorities of the receiving country.

Article 3

Either Contracting Party shall consider favourably the issue of visa to nationals of the other Contracting Party, who are holders of official/service passports, upon receiving notes confirming the official purpose of their trips from the diplomatic mission, consular post or Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the other Contracting Party.

Article 4

1. This Agreement shall not exempt nationals, referred to in this Agreement, from the duty to observe the national legislation of the other Contracting Party during their stay in the latter's territory.

2. Either Contracting Party shall have the right to refuse the entry or to shorten the stay of the nationals of the other Contracting Party, who it considers undesirable.

Article 5

Either Contracting Party may suspend entirely or partially, the implementation of this Agreement on grounds of security, public order or public health. Either Contracting Party shall notify forthwith the other Contracting Party of suspension or renewal of implementation of this Agreement through diplomatic channels.

Article 6

The Contracting Parties shall exchange through diplomatic channels the specimens of their valid diplomatic and official/service passports, specimens of the new or modified diplomatic and official/service passports, as well as the information related to their use not later than thirty (30) days from the date of conclusion of this Agreement or at least thirty (30) days before the date of their introduction.

Article 7

1. This Agreement shall be concluded for an indefinite term.

2. This Agreement shall enter into force sixtieth (60) day following the date of receipt of the latter notification, by which the Contracting Parties shall, through diplomatic channels, notify each other of the fulfillment of the conditions necessary for entry into force of this Agreement according to the national legislation.

3. On the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Agreement between the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federative Republic on Abolition of Visa Requirements for the Nationals of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and Nationals of the Czech and Slovak Federative Republic, who are Holders of Diplomatic and Service Passports concluded on July 10, 1992 shall cease to be in force.

4. This Agreement may be amended by exchange of notes upon agreement between both Contracting Parties.


5. Either Contracting Party may denounce this Agreement by written notification through diplomatic channels. In such case this Agreement shall expire on the sixtieth (60) day following the date of the receipt of the denouncement notice by the other Contracting Party.

Done at Hanoi, on October 16th, 2006, in two originals, each in the Vietnamese, Slovak and English languages; all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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