

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF
KUWAIT ON THE WAIVER OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR
HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC, SPECIAL AND OFFICIAL PASSPORTS**

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the State of Kuwait hereinafter referred to as "the Parties";

Desiring to enter into an agreement for the enhancement of their bilateral relations;

Intending to facilitate the entry of holders of diplomatic, special and official passports who are nationals of either Party;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The following are the types of passports under the Implementation of the provisions of this Agreement:

- 1 - For the Republic of the Philippines: diplomatic and official passports
- 2 - For the State of Kuwait: diplomatic and special passports

Article 2

Holders of passports mentioned in Article 1 of both Parties, may enter, remain or transit without visa in the territory of the other state, if such stay does not exceed sixty (60) days.

Article 3

1 – A citizen of either Party, who is assigned to the diplomatic or consular mission in the territory of the other Party and is in possession of valid passports mentioned in Article 1, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter the territory of the other Party, provided that the sending Party shall notify the other Party of such assignment through diplomatic channels at least thirty (30) days prior to arrival at the receiving Party.

3 - The provision in Paragraph 1 of this article shall also apply to their accompanying families such as the spouse and dependents.

Article 4

Citizens of either Party, being holders of passports mentioned in Article 1, shall be subject to the laws and regulations of the other Party while transiting, sojourning, crossing or staying in the territory of the other Party.

Article 5

Either Party reserves the right to refuse entry or terminate or reduce the stay in its territory of citizens of the other Party considered as *persona non grata*.