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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING¹ ON CONSULAR MATTERS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

 $$\operatorname{\textbf{The}}$$ Governments of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Republic of India

Conscious of the age-old relations between their two countries

Desirous of facilitating closer people-to-people contacts

Wishing to promote more vibrant commercial and cultural relations and facilitate for this purpose, travel between the two countries

Taking into account the improvement in the bilateral consular relationship since the conclusion of the MOU of 15.9.1989

Agree through this MOU to the following :-

- (1) Both sides shall facilitate the grant of visas to each other's nationals including students, businessmen, representatives of mass media, tourists, members of sports teams and members of groups of art and culture on a reciprocal basis.
- (2) Requests for short-term visas (less than one month) for Diplomatic and Service Passport holders will be examined and responded to within 48 hours.
- (3) Requests for long-term visas for Diplomatic and Service Passport holders will be responded to within 15 days in the case of officials who are going to replace individuals already assigned to a post in the other country, and within a period of 20 days from the date when full particulars have been provided in the case of individuals proceeding on new posts.
- (4) Requests for tourist visas by individuals holding confirmed air tickets and with a specified place of stay will be considered and responded to within 48 hours and for groups in up to 10 days.

¹ Came into force on 11 November 1991 by signature.