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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN
ON THE ABOLITION OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR HOLDERS
OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS AND THE FACILITATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF
ENTRY VISAS TO HOLDERS OF OFFICIAL PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (hereinafter referred to individually as a "Contracting Party" and collectively as the "Contracting Parties");

RECOGNIZING the existing friendly relations between the Contracting Parties:

DESIRIOUS of improving such friendly relations by facilitating the travel of the citizens of the two Contracting Parties holding Diplomatic and Official Passports;

HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I

Citizens of the Republic of the Philippines and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, holding valid diplomatic passports as well as their dependents, shall enter into, transit through or stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party without visas.

ARTICLE 2

Citizens of the Contracting Parties to whom Article 1 of this Agreement applies shall be allowed to stay within the territory of the other Contracting Party for a period not exceeding three months. This period of stay may be extended at their request subject to the consent of the competent authorities of the receiving Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, their respective valid passport specimens within thirty (30) days after the entry into force of this Agreement. The Contracting Parties shall inform each other about the introduction of new types and classification of passports, as well as change or modification to those currently in use and shall furnish each other relevant specimens within thirty (30) days prior to their use.

ARTICLE 4

Notwithstanding the exemption from cotaining entry visas under this Agreement, it is the duty of persons benefiting therefrom to comply with the laws and regulations of the receiving Contracting Party regarding entry into, stay in and exit from the receiving Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 5

Each Contracting Party reserves the right to refuse entry to persons regarded as persona non-grata or considered as undesirable and to terminate the stay of such persons on its territory after they have been permitted entry.

ARTICLE 6

Either Contracting Party may, for reasons of public order, security or health, temporarily suspend in whole or in part, the implementation of this Agreement. Such suspension and the lifting of the suspension shall be notified through diplomatic channels to the other Contracting Party at least fifteen (15) days prior to their taking effect.

ARTICLE 7

Holders of Diplomatic and Official Passports of a Contracting Party who are appointed to work in Diplomatic Missions or Consular Offices in the receiving Contracting Party and the members of their immediate families, who are also holders of valid Diplomatic and Official Passports, shall be required to obtain entry visas prior to their travel to the receiving Contracting Party. Upon arrival, prior to the entry visas' expiry, they shall be issued multiple entry visas valid for one (1) year renewable annually for the duration of their assignments.

ARTICLE 8

Pending the abolition of visa requirements for holders of Official Passports, both Contracting Parties agree to facilitate to the fullest extent the processing and issuance of their visas. In this regard, holders of Official Passports whether travelling to assume their posts or for government business, shall be given the appropriate entry visas upon the recommendation of their respective Ministry/Department of Foreign Affairs and/or Diplomatic Missions or Consular Offices.

ARTICLE 9

Any dispute between the Contracting Parties arising out of or relating to the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled by consultations or negotiations.