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AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND

CONCERNING

THE PROMOTION OF MOBILITY OF YOUNG CITIZENS

**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA and THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF POLAND**, hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”,

DESIRING to promote close co-operation and partnership between the two countries;

WISHING to encourage mobility of young citizens of both countries;

AWARE of the need to enhance excellence of post-secondary institutions and non-governmental organizations; and to enhance competitiveness of the economy, including small- and medium-sized businesses in the two countries;

ANXIOUS to develop opportunities for interested young persons to complement their post-secondary education or training; to acquire work experience; and to improve their knowledge of the other country’s languages, culture and society, and thus to promote mutual understanding between the two countries;

CONVINCED of the need to facilitate mobility of young citizens of both countries;

HAVE AGREED on the following:

ARTICLE 1

The purpose of this Agreement is to simplify administrative procedures applicable when young citizens of either country intend to enter and stay in the territory of the other country to complement their post-secondary education or training; to acquire work experience; and to improve their knowledge of the other country's languages, culture and society.

ARTICLE 2

The following citizens of Canada and citizens of the Republic of Poland shall be eligible to apply for entry to the other country under this Agreement:

- (a) young people, including post-secondary graduates, who intend to obtain further training in the other country under a pre-arranged contract of employment in support of their career development;
- (b) young registered students of a post-secondary institution in their home country who intend to complete part of their academic curriculum in the other country by undertaking a pre-arranged, mandatory internship or work placement, arranged by agreement between educational institutions;
- (c) young registered students of a post-secondary institution in their home country who intend to enter into the other country to pursue training and gain knowledge as well as to obtain temporary employment under a pre-arranged contract of employment;
- (d) young people who intend to enter in the other country for cultural or discovery-tourism purposes and who intend to undertake work in order to supplement their financial resources.

ARTICLE 3

1. The persons mentioned in Article 2 may seek to visit the other country under this Agreement, provided that, as at the date of submission to the other country's diplomatic mission or consular post, in the territory of the country of which they are citizens or in which they have been lawfully admitted, of an application for a document authorising them to enter the territory of the other country, they fulfil all of the following conditions:

- (a) be between the ages of 18 and 35 on the date the application is received by the diplomatic mission or consular post;
- (b) be a Canadian citizen and holding a Canadian passport that is valid for at least three months after the date of planned departure from the Republic of Poland or a Polish citizen and holding a Polish passport with a period of validity exceeding the expected duration of stay in Canada;
- (c) be in possession of a departure ticket or financial resources to purchase such a ticket and have the financial resources or proof of the financial resources necessary to cover their cost of living, as specified in the laws and regulations of the other country;
- (d) be covered by an insurance policy for health care in the other country, including hospitalization and ambulance costs, for the duration of their authorized stay in this country;
- (e) pay the appropriate application fee for a document authorising them to enter the territory of the other country;
- (f) not be accompanied by dependants;

- (g) as the case may be:
 - (i) demonstrate that they have obtained a pre-arranged contract of employment; or a declaration of intent to offer employment from the prospective employer;
 - (ii) provide documentation proving registration at a post-secondary institution in their home country and demonstrate that they have been granted consent to undertake compulsory internship or traineeship in the other country;
 - (iii) provide a representation stating that the purpose of their stay in the other country is training and learning;
- (h) and meet all other requirements of the host country's immigration legislation.

2. The period of stay of citizens of Canada and citizens of the Republic of Poland, who intend to enter into the territory of the other country to participate in exchanges under this Agreement, shall not exceed one year.

3. Citizens of Canada and citizens of the Republic of Poland may enter the territory of the other country under this Agreement only two times, provided that each time is under a different purpose as set out in Article 2 and that there is an interruption of at least six months between each stay.

4. Citizens of the Republic of Poland, who enter into the territory of Canada under this Agreement and will undertake an employment requesting additional insurance, shall purchase such additional insurance when required.