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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC
ON DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS**

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Italian Republic, (hereafter referred to as the "Parties"):

Aware of the significance of the historical events that led the Government of the Republic of Lithuania to the loss of Villa Lituania, as premises of its diplomatic mission;

Reaffirming the commitments undertaken in 1991 in the frame of the Joint Declaration on the Reestablishment of Diplomatic Relations;

Expressing their satisfaction with the important development of their bilateral relations and demonstrating their aspirations to a further strengthening;

Desiring to further enhance the cooperation between the two Countries and being convinced that a solution on the issue of Villa Lituania may represent an additional step on the strengthening of friendly relations between the two Peoples;

Reaffirming their willingness to ensure that the activities of their respective diplomatic missions are conducted with maximum dignity and prestige, in accordance to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic relations of 18 April 1961.

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The Government of the Italian Republic shall grant on a loan for use to the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, that agrees, the entire fourth floor, measuring approximately 700 square meters, of Blumenstihl Palace, located in Rome, to be used for the purposes of the diplomatic missions of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961.

2. The prestigious building is included in the Land Registry Office of Rome as located in Lungotevere dei Mellini, with entrance in 1, Via Vittoria Colonna.

3. The grant on a loan for use shall last for 99 (ninety nine) years from the date of the entry into force of the present Agreement.

Article 2

The premises are granted for the exclusive use of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania to the needs of its diplomatic missions. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania shall not grant the premises, or part of them, to third subjects, on a payment basis nor free of any charge, on a permanent or temporary basis, without prior informed consent of the Government of the Italian Republic.

Article 3

1. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania shall carry out, at its own expenses, the necessary works for the renovation of the premises granted that the current state requires and to maintain at its own expenses the premises granted in its integrity and on a good conservation status.

2. Taking into account the historical and cultural character of the building, the Government of the Republic of Lithuania will comply with the Italian legislation on preservation of cultural heritage including the obligation to make the restoring and preservation works required by the competent Italian Authorities to meet the standards normally accepted in similar circumstances.

Article 4

1. The Parties shall organize the work of their diplomatic missions in Vilnius and Rome in accordance with principles and norms of international law and will assist each other in efficient performance of the functions of diplomatic missions.

2. In particular and in accordance to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic relations of 18 April 1961, the Government of the Republic of Lithuania will facilitate the Government of the Italian Republic, if needed, on the identification and the acquisition of spaces suitable to host the premises of the Italian diplomatic missions in Vilnius.

Article 5

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania shall be the Executive Agent for implementing the present Agreement for the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Italian Republic shall be the Executive Agent for implementing the present Agreement for the Government of the Italian Republic.

Article 6

1. The present Agreement shall enter into force on the date of reception of the second of the two notifications by which the Parties have officially informed each other of the fulfilment of their respective procedures necessary to the entry into force of the present Agreement.

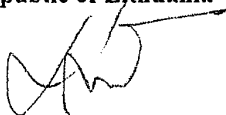
2. The present Agreement shall remain in force for the period of duration of the grant on a loan for use to the Government of the Republic of Lithuania as referred to in Article 1.

3. Two years before the expiration of the grant on a loan for use, the Parties will start negotiations for the possible renewal of the present Agreement.

4. The present Agreement may be amended, at any time, through exchange of Diplomatic Notes. Any modification shall come into effect following the fulfilment of the necessary procedures.


Done at Vilnius, on 21 February 2013, in two originals, in Lithuanian, Italian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of dispute as to its interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

**For the Government of
the Republic of Lithuania**



**The Minister of
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H. E. Linas Linkevičius**

**For the Government of
the Italian Republic**



**The Minister of
Foreign Affairs
H. E. Giulio Terzi**