# Agreement

# and the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the State of Kuwait on Exemption from Visa Requirements for Holders of Diplomatic Passports

The Government of Czech Republic and the Government of the State of Kuwait, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

Desiring to strengthen the friendly relations between the two States, Desiring to facilitate the entry and the exit of the Nationals of both States who are holders of diplomatic passports,

Have agreed as follows:

#### Article 1

1. Nationals of the Czech Republic, holders of valid diplomatic passports, may enter, stay in and transit through the territory of the State of Kuwait without a visa for a period not exceeding 90 days in any 180 day period.

2. Nationals of the State of Kuwait, holders of valid diplomatic passports, may enter, stay in and transit through the territory of the Czech Republic without a visa for a period not exceeding 90 days in any 180 day period. The period of stay of Nationals of the State of Kuwait on the territory of Czech Republic shall be deemed to include the period of stay on the territories of the States of other Contracting Parties to the Convention of 19 June 1990 implementing the Schengen Agreement of 14 June 1985.

# Article 2

The Nationals of the State of one Party, holders of valid diplomatic passports, who are members of a diplomatic mission or consular post of the State of one Party in the territory of the State of the other Party, including their family members belonging to their household, are not exempted from visa requirements.

# Article 3

The Nationals referred to in Articles 1 and 2 of this Agreement may enter the territory of the State of the other Party through all border-crossing points opened for international traffic.

# Article 4

Without prejudice to their diplomatic privileges and immunities, the Nationals referred to in Articles 1 and 2 of this Agreement shall be obliged to observe the national laws and regulations of the State of the other Party while staying on the territory of that State.

# Article 5

The Parties reserve the right to refuse the entry or to reduce period of stay on the territories of their States to the Nationals of the State of the other Party specified in Articles 1 of this Agreement, whose presence is undesirable.

#### Article 6

Nationals of the State of either Party who have lost the passports referred to in this Agreement on the territory of the State of the other Party shall leave such State with a passport or travel document issued by the diplomatic mission or consular post of their State in accordance with its laws and regulations.

# Article 7

- 1. Each Party may reserve the right to temporarily suspend, in whole or in part, the implementation of this Agreement for reasons of national security, protection of public order and public health or for any other serious reasons.
- 2. The Parties shall inform each other about the introduction or termination of such measures under paragraph 1 of this Article by a written notification through diplomatic channels not later than seventy two (72) hours before the entry into force of such measure.

# Article 8

- 1. The Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, specimens of the diplomatic passports referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement.
- 2. In the event of any change or modification of the valid diplomatic passports referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, the respective Party shall send to the other Party, through diplomatic channels, specimens of its new or modified diplomatic passports, including their detailed description, at least thirty (30) days before their introduction.

#### Article 9

Any disputes arising out of the interpretation or implementation of the provisions of this Agreement shall be settled amicably by means of consultations or negotiations between the Parties.

# Article 10

This Agreement can be amended with the consent of both Parties, This amendment shall enter into force according to the procedures mentioned in Article 11 of this Agreement.

#### Article 11

1. This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period and shall enter into force thirty (30) days from the date of the receipt, through diplomatic channels, of the last of the written

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2. Each of the Parties may at any time denounce this Agreement by a written notification delivered to the other Party through diplomatic channels. In such case, the Agreement shall cease to be in force sixty (60) days after the receipt of such notification by the other Party.

Done at <u>Kuwait</u> on this <u>23.</u> day of <u>February</u> 2016, in two originals, each in Czech, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation of provisions of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of the Czech Republic

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