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**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN ON THE WAIVER OF VISAS FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL PASSPORTS**

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran referred to hereinafter as "the parties";

Desirous of entering into a Memorandum of Agreement for the enhancement of their bilateral relations;

Have agreed as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

Holders of diplomatic and service passports of both parties may enter, remain or transit without visa in the territory of the other state, if such stay does not exceed thirty (30) days.

**ARTICLE II**

1. A citizen of either Party, who is assigned to replace a member of the diplomatic or consular staff in the territory of the other Party and is in possession of a valid diplomatic or service passport, shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter the territory of the other Party.

He/She shall be issued a multiple entry visa valid for the duration of his/her tour of duty.

2. A citizen of either Party, being the representative of his/her country in an international organization located in the territory of the other Party, shall also enjoy the rights mentioned in paragraph 1 of this Article.

3. The facilities enumerated in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall also apply to the spouse of a member of the diplomatic mission or representative in international organizations and their dependents, provided that they either hold diplomatic or service passports.

**ARTICLE III**