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# Spain and Estonia

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# AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN AND THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA ON THE REPRESENTATION FOR THE ISSUING OF SCHENGEN VISAS

The Kingdom of Spain and the Republic of Estonia, henceforth referred to as "the Contracting Parties",

With the desire to strengthen the ties of friendship and cooperation that bind both countries;

In accordance with the Schengen acquis and the provisions of the European Community legislation concerning the representation for the issuing of Schengen visas in third countries;

Have agreed to the following:

## Article 1 - Spanish Embassies and Consulates in charge of issuing visas for Estonia

- 1. Spain will represent Estonia in the issuing of uniform Schengen visas in the Consulates or the Consular Sections of the Embassies of Spain in:
  - a) Algiers (Algeria)
  - b) Buenos Aires (Argentina)
  - c) Sao Paulo (Brazil)
  - d) San José de Costa Rica (Costa Rica)
  - e) San Salvador (El Salvador)
  - f) Guatemala City (Guatemala)
  - g) Tegucigalpa (Honduras)
  - h) Mexico City (Mexico)
  - i) Managua (Nicaragua)
  - j) Panama City (Panama)
  - k) Asunción (Paraguay)
  - 1) San Juan de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico, USA)
  - m) Montevideo (Uruguay)
  - n) Caracas (Venezuela)
- 2. This list may be modified by an exchange of Verbal Notes through diplomatic channels.

## Article 2 - Issuing of Visas

1. If the Consulate or the Consulate Section of the Embassy of Spain in a respective country finds that all the conditions for issuing a uniform visa are met and that there is no risk of illegal immigration nor does the applicant pose a threat to the public order, it will issue a visa.

- 2. If the Consulate or the Consulate Section of the Embassy of Spain does not have, and cannot obtain, the necessary information about the applicant, the references or the purpose of the visit, or if it finds that a uniform visa should not be issued, or if it is in doubt whether or not a visa should be issued, the visa applicant will be asked to appear at the nearest Embassy of Estonia (see details in Annex I).
- 3. The Consulate or the Consulate Section of the Embassy of Spain may not issue any visas with limited territorial validity (LTV) without authorisation by the nearest Consulate or Embassy of Estonia, except if the reason for issuing a visa with limited territorial validity is the lack of recognition of the travel document by all Schengen Member States. If it is Estonia that does not recognise the travel document, the authorization of the Consulate or the Embassy of Estonia will be necessary to issue the visa with limited territorial validity.

#### Article 3 - Statistics on Visas

Following a specific or general request from the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Spain shall provide the statistics available relating to the visas issued under this agreement.

#### Article 4 - Fees

- 1. Fees for visa applications will be charged in accordance with the Schengen acquis.
- 2. Spain is entitled to all visa fees. Estonia will not offer any other financial compensation to Spain for the handling of visa applications.

## Article 5 - Entry into force

- 1. This agreement will come into force on the date in which the last party has notified the other on the fulfilment of its national legal procedures to make the treaty applicable.
- 2. The agreement will have duration of 5 years starting from its entry into force, which will be extended automatically for equal periods, unless any of the Contracting Parties informs the other in written form about its wish not to renew the agreement, at least 6 months in advance.
- 3. Any of the Contracting Parties may suspend or terminate the agreement informing the other party with a verbal note, at least 3 months in advance.

#### Article 6 - Amendment

This Agreement can be amended by the Contracting Parties by means of an exchange of notes. The Amendments will enter into force in accordance with the stipulations of Article 5.

#### Article 7 - Controversies

Any controversy relating to the interpretation or applicability of this agreement will be solved through negotiation between the Contracting Parties.

Done at Madrid, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2009, in two originals in Spanish, Estonian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN

FOR THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA

Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

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Minister of Foreign Affairs

#### ANNEX I

### ESTONIAN POINTS OF CONTACT

1- For the issuing of visas in Algiers:

# Embassy of Estonia in the United Kingdom (London)

16 Hyde Park Gate SW7 5DG London United Kingdom Tel.: (44 20) 7589 34 28

Tel.: (44 20) 7589 34 28 Fax: (44 20) 7589 34 30

E-mail: Embassy London@mfa.ee http://www.estonia.gov.uk

2- For the issuing of visas in Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, San José de Costa Rica, San Salvador, Guatemala City, Tegucigalpa, Mexico City, Managua, Panama City, Asuncion, San Juan, Montevideo and Caracas:

# Consulate General of Estonia in the United Status of America (New York)

3 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza 305 East 47th St New York, NY 10017-2001 U.S.A.

Tel.: (1 212) 883 06 36 Fax: (1 212) 883 06 48

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