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AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

CONCERNING YOUTH EXCHANGES

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA and THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties",

DESIRING to promote close co-operation between their countries;

WISHING to encourage mobility and exchanges of youth; cooperation and partnership between the two countries; and the enhancement of excellence and competitiveness of educational institutions and businesses, especially small and medium businesses, in the two countries;

WISHING to develop opportunities for their young citizens to complement their postsecondary education, 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 value of facilitating such youth exchanges;

HAVE AGREED on the following provisions:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties agree to simplify and facilitate the administrative procedures applicable to young citizens of one country who intend to enter and stay in the territory of the other country to complement their post-secondary education, to obtain employment or practical workplace experience, or to improve their knowledge of the other country's languages, culture and society.

ARTICLE 2

- 1. The Parties shall consider the following citizens of either country as eligible to benefit from the application of this Agreement:
 - (a) Young citizens, including post-secondary graduates, who intend to obtain further training in the host country under a pre-arranged contract of employment in support of their career development;
 - (b) Registered students of a post-secondary institution in their home country who intend to complete part of their academic curriculum in the host country by undertaking a pre-arranged internship or work placement, including in the context of an arrangement between post-secondary institutions;
 - (c) Young citizens, including registered students, who intend to travel in the host country and who intend to obtain remunerated employment in order to supplement their financial resources.

ARTICLE 3

1. The Parties shall consider as qualified to benefit from the application of this Agreement, young citizens of either country who fall under one of the categories referred to in Article 2 and who submit an individual application to the other country's diplomatic mission

or consular post responsible for the territory of the country of which they are citizens or in which they have been lawfully admitted, provided that they fulfill the following conditions:

- (a) Meet all requirements of Estonian and Canadian immigration legislation and regulations, including admissibility, to the extent not already set out in subparagraphs (b) to (h) below;
- (b) Be between the ages of 18 and 35 inclusively on the date the application is received by the mission or consular post;
- (c) Be an Estonian or Canadian citizen and hold a valid Estonian or Canadian passport, and be in possession of a departure ticket or sufficient financial resources to purchase such ticket;
- (d) Not be accompanied by dependents;
- (e) Have proof of the financial resources necessary to provide for their needs at the beginning of their authorized stay in the host country;
- (f) Pay the applicable fee(s);
- (g) Agree to take out health care insurance, including hospitalization and repatriation, for the entire duration of their authorized stay, prior to their entry into the host country; and
- (h) As the case may be:
 - (i) show that they have obtained a pre-arranged contract of employment in support of their career development; or
 - (ii) provide documentation proving registration at a post-secondary institution in their home country and that they have obtained a prearranged internship or work placement; or