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New Zealand

and

the Slovak Republic

on a Working Holiday Scheme

New Zealand and the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

Desiring to enhance the friendly relations between both countries,

Have come to the following agreement for the operation of a Working Holiday Scheme ("the Scheme") between the Parties:

PART I - OBLIGATIONS OF NEW ZEALAND

Article 1

New Zealand shall, subject to Article 2 of this Agreement, on application by a citizen of the Slovak Republic, issue a temporary visa, valid for presentation for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of issue, to a citizen of the Slovak Republic who satisfies each of the following requirements:

- a) has the primary intention to holiday in New Zealand, with employment and study being incidental rather than primary reasons for the visit;
- b) is aged between eighteen (18) and thirty-five (35) years, both inclusive, at the time of application;
- c) is not accompanied by dependants;
- d) is a holder of a valid passport issued by the Slovak Republic;
- e) possesses a ticket for departure from New Zealand, or sufficient funds to purchase such a ticket;
- f) possesses sufficient funds for his/her maintenance during the period of stay in New Zealand, at the discretion of the relevant authorities;
- g) pays the prescribed temporary visa application fee;
- h) agrees to hold medical and comprehensive hospitalisation insurance to remain in force throughout his/her stay in New Zealand;
- i) complies with any health and character requirements imposed by New Zealand; and
- j) has not participated in the Scheme previously.

Article 2

- (1) New Zealand shall issue no more than one hundred (100) temporary visas per annum to citizens of the Slovak Republic who satisfy the requirements in Article 1 of this Agreement.
- (2) New Zealand shall provide written advice to the Slovak Republic of any decision to adjust the number of temporary visas issued per annum. For the avoidance of doubt, an adjustment in the number of temporary visas issued per annum shall not be regarded as a formal amendment to this Agreement, unless its effect is to reduce the number of temporary visas to be issued per annum to fewer than one hundred (100), in which case the procedure in Article 13 of this Agreement shall apply.

Article 3

New Zealand shall permit any citizen of the Slovak Republic who holds a temporary visa issued pursuant to Article 1 of this Agreement and who is granted permission to enter New Zealand to stay in New Zealand, study and undertake paid employment in accordance with the terms of this Agreement for a maximum period of twelve (12) months from the date of the first entry into New Zealand; and to exit and re-enter New Zealand for the period of validity of the temporary visa.

Article 4

New Zealand shall require any citizen of the Slovak Republic who has entered New Zealand under the Scheme to comply with the laws and regulations of New Zealand and not to engage in employment or study that is contrary to the terms of this Agreement.

Article 5

(1) New Zealand shall not permit citizens of the Slovak Republic who have entered New Zealand under the Scheme to engage in permanent employment during their stay in New Zealand or permit those citizens to work for the same employer for more than six (6) months during their stay in New Zealand. (2) New Zealand shall permit citizens of the Slovak Republic who have entered New Zealand under the Scheme to enrol in training or study courses not exceeding a total of six (6) months duration during their stay in New Zealand.

PART II - OBLIGATIONS OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Article 6

The Slovak Republic, through the diplomatic missions and consular offices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic, shall, subject to Article 7 of this Agreement, on application by a citizen of New Zealand, issue a national visa valid for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of issue, to a citizen of New Zealand who satisfies each of the following requirements:

- a) has the primary intention to holiday in the territory of the Slovak Republic, with employment and study being incidental rather than primary reasons for the visit;
- b) is aged between eighteen (18) and thirty-five (35) years, both inclusive, at the time of application;
- c) is not accompanied by dependants;
- d) is a holder of a valid passport issued by New Zealand;
- e) possesses a ticket for departure from the Slovak Republic, or sufficient funds to purchase such a ticket;
- f) possesses sufficient funds for his/her maintenance during the period of stay in the territory of the Slovak Republic, at the discretion of the relevant authorities;
- g) pays the prescribed national visa application fee;
- agrees to hold medical and comprehensive hospitalisation insurance to remain in force throughout his/her stay in the territory of the Slovak Republic;
- i) complies with requirements specified in the national legislation of the Slovak Republic; and
- j) has not participated in the Scheme previously.