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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND ON VISA EXEMPTION FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand, hereinafter referred to as "the Contracting Parties",

With a view to promoting friendly relations between the two nations and to facilitating travels of their nationals;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

- 1. Holders of valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter, exit, transit and stay in the Kingdom of Thailand for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days during a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their entry, provided that they shall not take up any employment, be it self-employment, or any other private activity in the Kingdom of Thailand.
- 2. Holders of valid diplomatic passports of the Kingdom of Thailand shall not be required to obtain a visa to enter, exit, transit and stay in the Republic of Estonia for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days during a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their entry, provided that they shall not take up any employment, be it self-employment, or any other private activity in the Republic of Estonia.

Article 2

- 1. Holders of valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia who are assigned as members of the diplomatic mission or consular post of the Republic of Estonia or who are representatives of the Republic of Estonia to an international organization in the Kingdom of Thailand, as well as their family members holding valid diplomatic passports of the Republic of Estonia, may enter, stay and exit the Kingdom of Thailand without obtaining a visa for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days. Such period shall, upon request of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia or the Embassy of Estonia, be extended until the end of their assignment.
- 2. Holders of valid diplomatic passports of the Kingdom of Thailand who are assigned as members of the diplomatic mission or consular post of the Kingdom of Thailand or who are representatives of the Kingdom of Thailand to an international organization in the Republic of Estonia, as well as their family members holding valid diplomatic passports

of the Kingdom of Thailand, may enter, stay and exit the Republic of Estonia without obtaining a visa for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days. Such period shall, upon the request of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand or the Royal Thai Embassy, be extended until the end of their assignment.

Article 3

Nationals of either Contracting Party entitled to visa exemption under the provisions of Articles 1 or 2 of the Agreement may enter, transit through or leave the territory of the other Contracting Party at any point open for international passenger traffic, provided that they observe the laws and regulations of the respective Contracting Parties governing the entry, travel and stay of foreigners.

Article 4

The Contracting Parties shall inform each other immediately of any changes in their respective laws and regulations governing the entry, travel and stay of foreigners.

Article 5

This Agreement does not affect the obligations of nationals of either Contracting Party to abide by the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

Article 6

Competent authorities of each Contracting Party shall have the right to refuse entry or terminate the stay of any person entitled to visa exemption under this Agreement on the ground of public order or national security.

Article 7

For reasons of maintaining public order and security, either Contracting Party may suspend application of this Agreement in whole or in part. The other Contracting Party shall be informed by written notification of the suspension and its cancellation through diplomatic channels 30 days in advance.

Article 8

- 1. The Contracting Parties shall provide each other, through diplomatic channels, with specimens of their valid diplomatic passports at least thirty (30) days prior to the entry into force of this Agreement.
- 2. In case of introduction by either Contracting Party of new diplomatic passports, such Contracting Party shall provide the other Contracting Party, through diplomatic channels, with specimens of the new passports at least thirty (30) days prior to their introduction.