

AGREEMENT

Between the Government of the Russian Federation and His Majesty's Government of Nepal on the Abolition of Visa Requirements for the Holders of Diplomatic and Service Passports

The Government of the Russian Federation and His Majesty's Government of Nepal, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

guided by desire to develop friendly relations between the two countries and to simplify the procedures for mutual travel with diplomatic and service passports to the Russian Federation and to the Kingdom of Nepal,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Citizens of the Russian Federation and Subjects of the Kingdom of Nepal, holders of diplomatic and service passports, shall be exempted from the necessity of obtaining visas for entry, transit travel, stay and exit from the territory of, respectively, the Kingdom of Nepal and the Russian Federation.

Article 2

Holders of the above-mentioned passports entering the territory of the other state on short-term missions may stay, respectively, in the Kingdom of Nepal or the Russian Federation for up to ninety (90) days with the right to multiple entries and exits. This period can be prolonged by competent authorities of the host state for an equivalent period of time if necessary.

The competent authorities of the host state shall stamp the date of arrival and beginning of the ninety-day period on diplomatic and service passports.

Article 3

Holders of diplomatic and service passports from among the personnel of diplomatic missions accredited, respectively, in the Russian Federation and the Kingdom of Nepal as well as members of their families residing with them may stay on the territory of the host country without visas during the whole period of their accreditation with the right to multiple entries and exits.

The Embassy of the represented state shall inform the Foreign Ministry of the host state of the beginning and expiration of the mission of its respective staff.

Article 4

The abolition of visas established by the present Agreement shall not exonerate the holders of the above-mentioned passports from observing the effective laws and rules regulating the entry, stay, transit travel and exit from the territory of the Russian Federation and the Kingdom of Nepal.

Article 5

The Parties reserve their right to limit the entry and suspend the stay on the territory of their states for certain individuals if they consider them *personae non grata*, of which they should without delay inform the other Party through diplomatic channels.

Article 6

Through diplomatic channels, the Parties shall exchange specimens of diplomatic and service passports as well as information on the procedure for their use.

The Parties shall inform each other of any changes as regards diplomatic and service passports no later than sixty (60) days before entry into force of the above-mentioned changes.

Article 7

The present Agreement enters into force thirty (30) days after the date of its signing and will remain in force until the expiration of ninety (90) days after the date when one of the Parties notifies the other Party through diplomatic channels about its intention to terminate it.

Done in Kathmandu on the 16 Day of April Two Thousand Two in two copies, each in the Russian, Nepali and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of disagreements over interpretation of the Russian and Nepali texts the English text should be consulted.

The seal of the Russian Federation, featuring a double-headed eagle with a shield on its chest, surrounded by a circular border with the text "РОССИЯ" and "КОНСТИТУЦИЯ".
**FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Handwritten signature of the Nepalese representative.
**FOR HIS MAJESTY'S
GOVERNMENT OF NEPAL**

The seal of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Nepal, featuring a bird (likely a Garuda) with its wings spread, perched on a base.
**His Majesty's Govt
Ministry of Foreign Affairs**