

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

ON

VISA EXEMPTION FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the Government of the State of Israel (Hereinafter referred as "The Parties");

Desiring to enhance and further develop the friendly relations already existing between the two countries;

Seeking to facilitate travel procedures for the holders of diplomatic passports of the two countries;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Nationals of either Party, who are holders of valid diplomatic passports, shall be exempted from the obligation to obtain a visa for the purpose of entering the territory of the other Party for a visit or a stay not exceeding ninety (90) days from the date of entry.

ARTICLE 2

Nationals of either country, holders of valid diplomatic passports, who intend to stay in the territory of the other Party for a period exceeding ninety (90) days, are required to obtain visas in advance.

ARTICLE 3

Nationals of either country, holders of valid diplomatic passports, exercising official functions in the territory of the other Party as members of a diplomatic or consular staff, who are residing in the territory of the other Party and members of their families forming part of their household are required to obtain a visa and/or to complete necessary procedures for registration of stay

at the competent authorities of the other Party within thirty (30) days from their date of entry.

ARTICLE 4

Either Party shall reserve the right to deny the entry to its territory to nationals of the other Party whom it may consider undesirable, or to shorten the period of stay for such nationals.

ARTICLE 5

Nationals of either State who enter the territory of the other State in accordance with this Agreement shall, while in the territory of the other State, comply with the laws and regulations of the country of their stay.

ARTICLE 6

1. The Parties shall exchange specimens of their valid diplomatic passports through diplomatic channels thirty (30) days before the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. When one Party issues a new model of a passport or modifies those already exchanged, the other Party shall be notified of such modifications through diplomatic channels thirty (30) days before the date the new passports or modifications shall enter into force. The notification shall include a sample of the new or modified documents and information on their applicability.

ARTICLE 7

1. The present Agreement shall enter into force for an initial period of one year, ninety (90) days from the date of the second of the Diplomatic Notes by which the Parties notify each other that their internal legal procedures for the entering into force of the Agreement have been complied with. This Agreement shall be automatically extended for additional periods of one year each.

2. The present Agreement shall remain in force unless either Party notifies the other by a Diplomatic Note of its intention to terminate it, at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of its intended termination.

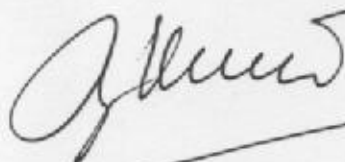
3. This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties.

4. Any dispute arising out of the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled amicably by negotiation through diplomatic channels.

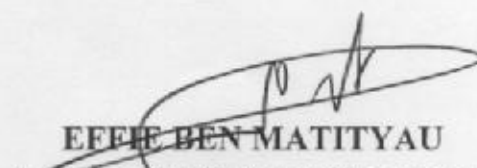
Done at Hanoi on the 21 of May 2009, which corresponds to the 27 day of E^{yar} 5769, in the Vietnamese, Hebrew, and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM**

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