

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL
ON MUTUAL VISA EXEMPTION FOR HOLDERS OF
DIPLOMATIC, SPECIAL, OFFICIAL AND SERVICE PASSPORTS**

The Government of the Sultanate of Oman and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil, hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”;

Wishing to facilitate the travel of their nationals, holders of valid diplomatic, special, official or service passports in the territory of the other Party,

Desiring to strengthen the friendly relations between both countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article (1)

The provisions of this Agreement apply to holders of any of the following passports:

- 1 - Valid diplomatic, special or service passports of the Government of the Sultanate of Oman.
- 2 - Valid diplomatic or official passports of the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

Article (2)

Nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports, mentioned in Article (1), may enter into, transit through, stay in, and exit the territory of the other Party without the requirement of obtaining a visa for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, and during a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their first entry.

Article (3)

Nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), must not undertake any paid activity that requires a work permit during their stay in the territory of the other Party.

Article (4)

Nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), shall abide by the laws and regulations in force during their stay in the territory of the other Party.

Article (5)

The passports mentioned in Article (1), belonging to nationals of either Party, shall be valid for a period of at least six (6) months on their entry into the territory of the other Party.

Article (6)

Nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), shall enter into, transit through, stay in, and exit the territory of the other Party through the border-crossing points assigned for this purpose by the competent immigration authorities and without any restriction, except for entry restrictions relating to security, immigration, customs, and health, or any other provisions legally applicable to the holders of these passports.

Article (7)

- 1 - Nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), who are appointed to a diplomatic or consular mission or international organization in the territory of the other Party, are exempt from the requirement of obtaining a visa prior to their entry into the territory of the other Party.
- 2 - The treatment referred to in paragraph (1) of this article shall also extend to members of the families of the aforesaid nationals, provided that they are holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1).
- 3 - The Ministry of Foreign Affairs or External Relations of the other Party shall accredit the nationals referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this article within thirty (30) days from their entry into the territory of the other Party, upon which they will be granted their respective visas in accordance with the applicable national regulations of the other Party.

Article (8)

- 1 - This Agreement does not affect the right of the competent authorities of either Party to refuse entry of the nationals of the other Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), into their respective territories, reduce their period of stay or terminate it, where the nationals in question are considered non grata or where they may present a risk to the national security, public order or public health, or where their presence within the respective territory is illegal.
- 2 - Where a national of the other Party has been affected by the provisions of this Article, the Party responsible for the aforementioned action must notify the other Party in writing through diplomatic channels without delay.

Article (9)

- 1 - In the case of loss, theft, damage or invalidity of any of the passports mentioned in Article (1) by a national of a Party in the territory of the other Party, the diplomatic or consular mission, to which the holder of the passport in question belongs to, shall provide him with the documents that enable him to return to the territory of the Party to which he is national of.
- 2 - The aforementioned diplomatic or consular mission shall promptly notify the competent authorities of the other Party of such incidents through diplomatic channels.

Article (10)

- 1 - The Parties shall exchange specimens of the passports mentioned in Article (1), through diplomatic channels, within thirty (30) days from the date of signature of this Agreement.
- 2 - In the case of any changes in the passports mentioned in Article (1), the party, whose passports have been changed, shall provide specimens of the changed passports to the other Party, through diplomatic channels, thirty (30) days prior to the entry of these changes into force.

Article (11)

The Parties may amend the provisions of this Agreement by mutual consent in writing.

Article (12)

This Agreement does not prejudice any obligations arising out of any bilateral agreements concluded between both Parties.

Article (13)

The Parties shall implement this Agreement in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in both Parties.

Article (14)

The Parties shall amicably settle any disputes arising out of the implementation or interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement by consultation through diplomatic channels.

Article (15)

- 1 - Either Party may temporarily suspend the application of this Agreement, completely or partially, for reasons relating to national security, public order or public health, or in case of violation of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 2 - The Party, who wishes to suspend the application of this Agreement, shall notify the other Party of the suspension and specify the reasons thereof in writing, through diplomatic channels, at least seven (7) days before the entry of this suspension into force, and shall also inform the other Party of the end of this suspension in writing through diplomatic channels, at least seven (7) days before the end of this suspension.
- 3 - The suspension of the application of this Agreement does not affect the legal status of the nationals of either Party, holders of any of the valid passports mentioned in Article (1), who are located in the territory of the other Party.

Article (16)

This Agreement shall enter into force after thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written notification by which the Government of the Sultanate of Oman notifies the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil of the completion of the internal procedures required for its entry into force, and shall be valid for an indefinite period of time, unless one of the Parties notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate the Agreement in accordance with Article (17).

Article (17)

Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by notifying the other Party in writing, through diplomatic channels, of its decision to terminate at least ninety (90) days before the application of this termination.

This Agreement is signed in Muscat, on 25th of May 2016 in two originals, each in the Portuguese, Arabic, and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of discrepancy in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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