AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO

ON

RECIPROCAL VISA EXEMPTION FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC, SERVICE AND SPECIAL PASSPORTS

The Government of the Republic of Moldova

And

The Government of the Kingdom of Morocco

Hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties";

With a view to developing friendly relations between the two States;

Desiring to strengthen political, economic, trade, scientific, technical and cultural relations;

Have agreed on the following:

ARTICLE 1

1. Citizens of the Republic of Moldova, holders of valid diplomatic or service passports and citizens of the Kingdom of Morocco holders of valid diplomatic, service or special passports, shall enter, stay in, exit from and cross in transit the territory of the State of the other Contracting Party without visas and shall stay for a period of up to ninety (90) days in any 180 days period, which entails considering the 180 day period preceding each day of stay.

2. The prolongation of the term of stay shall be exercised by the competent authorities of the receiving State on the basis of the written request of the diplomatic mission or consular post of the sending State.

3. The duration of validity of diplomatic, service and special passports of citizens of the Contracting Parties shall be at least six (6) months prior to the date of entry into the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 2

1. Citizens of the State of one of the Contracting Parties, holders of the passports referred to in Article 1 of the present Agreement, being the members of the diplomatic mission or consular post in the territory of the State of the other Contracting Party, shall enter, exit from or stay in the territory of the State of the other Contracting Party during the whole term of their official stay without visas.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article shall also apply to the family members of the above-mentioned citizens (wife/ husband, children, parents, as well as other individuals who form part of their household and are their dependants). who live with them during the term of their official stay and possess valid diplomatic, service or special passports.

ARTICLE 3

Citizens of the State of one of the Contracting Parties, to whom this Agreement is applied, shall enter, exit from and cross in transit the territory of the State of the other Contracting Party through international border checking points.

ARTICLE 4

1. Citizens of the State of one of the Contracting Parties, referred to in Article 1 and 2 of this Agreement, shall observe the legislation of the other Contracting Party during their stay in its territory.

2. This Agreement shall not limit the right of either Contracting Party to refuse the entry or reduce the term of stay in its territory to citizens of the other Contracting Party to whom this Agreement is applied, and who are recognized as *"persona non grata"* or undesirable.

ARTICLE 5

1. Citizens of the State of one of the Contracting Parties, who during their stay in the territory of the State of the other Contracting Party lost diplomatic, service or special passport, shall inform immediately the competent authorities of the receiving State which, in this case, shall provide a certificate acknowledging the receipt of the application on the loss of the document.

2. Diplomatic mission or consular posts of the corresponding Contracting Party shall give, to persons referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, a valid document for return to the country of their citizenship.

ARTICLE 6

1. The Contracting Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, specimens of their passports referred to in this Agreement within 60 (sixty) calendar days after signing of this Agreement.

2. In case of introducing new diplomatic, service or special passports or making changes in valid passports, the Contracting Parties shall transfer to each other specimens of new or changed diplomatic, service or special passports, through diplomatic channels, not later than thirty (30) days before the introduction of the new or changed passports.

ARTICLE 7

1. For the purpose of security or public health case and observance of the public order, either Contracting Party may suspend temporary, totally or partially the implementation of this Agreement.

2. The notification of the other Contracting Party about suspension and further renewal of the validity of certain provision of this Agreement shall be performed through diplomatic channels within the shortest possible terms.

ARTICLE 8

Any disputes between the Contracting Parties arising from the interpretation or the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled through consultations and negotiations, through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 9

This Agreement may be amended and supplemented by mutual consent of the Contracting Parties, in the form of separate Protocols, which shall form an integral part of this Agreement and shall enter into force in accordance with the provisions of Article 10, paragraph 1 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10

1. The present Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth (30^{th}) day after the receipt, through the diplomatic channels, of the last written notification concerning the fulfillment by the Contracting Parties of the internal procedures required for this Agreement to enter into force and shall be concluded for an indefinite period of time.

2. Either of the Contracting Parties may denounce the present Agreement, by written notification through the diplomatic channels, to the other Contracting Party. In such case, the validity of the Agreement shall be terminated ninety (90) days after the date of receipt by the other Contracting Party of the aforementioned notification.

Done in **Chișinău**, on **April 15th, 2025**, in two originals in Romanian, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence of interpretation of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of the Republic of Moldova	**For the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco**
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