

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA



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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA AND
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WHEREAS Antigua and Barbuda is a party to the Agreement dated 25th September 2019, between Antigua and Barbuda and the Plurinational State of Bolivia on the Waiver of Visa Requirement for tourism or visits of the citizens of Antigua and Barbuda and the Plurinational State of Bolivia; and

WHEREAS the Ratification of treaties Act (Cap. 364) provides in section 3 (1) *inter alia* that where a Treaty to which Antigua and Barbuda becomes a Party is one which affects or concerns the relationship of Antigua and Barbuda with any international organisation, agency, association or similar body, such Treaty shall not enter into force with respect to Antigua and Barbuda unless it has been ratified or approved in accordance with the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS the Agreement between Antigua and Barbuda and the Plurinational State of Bolivia on the Waiver of Visa Requirement for tourism or visits of the citizens of Antigua and Barbuda and the Plurinational State of Bolivia is a bilateral agreement which is governed by international law and concerns the relationship of Antigua and Barbuda and Plurinational State of Bolivia;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY this Honourable House that the bilateral Agreement between Antigua and Barbuda and Plurinational State of Bolivia on the Waiver of Visa Requirement for tourism or visits of the citizens of Antigua and Barbuda and the Plurinational State of Bolivia the text of which is attached hereto as a schedule, be ratified as a treaty under section 3(1) (c) of the Ratification of Treaties Act, Cap.364.

Passed the House of Representatives this 22nd day of June, 2021

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Clerk to the House of Representatives

SCHEDULE

AGREEMENT ON VISA ABOLITION FOR TOURISM OR VISIT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA AND ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

The Governments of the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Antigua and Barbuda, hereinafter referred to as "the Contracting Parties";

Desirous of further developing friendly ties between the two countries;

Aiming to facilitate travel formalities for nationals of the Contracting Parties;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

THE PURPOSE

1. Nationals of the States of the Contracting Parties holding the valid travel documents listed in the Annex to this Agreement shall enter into, stay in, exit from and transit through the territory of the other Party without visas for tourism or visit, \ provided that the length of their stay does not exceed ninety (90) days per year; and they do not undertake any employment, including self-employment, or any other private commercial activity.
2. The nationals of either of the Contracting Parties that hold valid diplomatic or official passports that are assigned as members of a diplomatic or consular mission in the territory of the other Contracting Party, including members of their family must obtain the appropriate diplomatic or consular visa of the other Contracting Party, before entry.
3. Nationals of the States of Contracting Parties, intending to enter the territory of the country of the other Contracting Party for a period exceeding ninety (90) days per year regardless of the purpose of the journey, shall obtain a visa from the nearest Diplomatic Mission or Consular post of the country of the other Contracting Party before entering its territory.

ARTICLE 2

THE ENTRY AND DEPARTURE

Nationals of the Contracting Parties holding the valid travel documents listed in the Annex to this Agreement may enter into or exit from or transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party through the authorized immigration control posts, in compliance with the laws of the Contracting Party

ARTICLE 3

COMPLIANCE WITH INTERNAL REGULATIONS

1. Nationals of the Contracting Parties, shall comply with the provisions of the laws and regulations of the other Contracting Party during their stay in - its territory, especially the customs and immigration regimes.
2. The Parties shall communicate in a timely manner, through diplomatic channels, any change in the legislation and regulations of the entry, stay and/or departure from the territories of their States.

ARTICLE 4

PROHIBITION OF ENTRY AND MANDATORY DEPARTURE

Either of the Contracting Parties has the right to deny entry or order a mandatory departure of the nationals of the other Party, in compliance with its laws and regulations.

ARTICLE 5

THE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

1. To enter or leave the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, the nationals of the other Party must present a valid travel document listed in the Annex to this Agreement, with a minimum validity of six (6) months.
2. In the event that nationals of either Party lose or damage their diplomatic, official or ordinary passports of Antigua and Barbuda and the diplomatic, official and ordinary passports of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the national shall immediately inform the competent authorities from the receiving country through the Diplomatic Mission or the corresponding consular officials, and also advise the competent authorities of the home state which will issue to the aforementioned nationals, in accordance with the legislation of their country, a document to return to the country of origin.
3. The Parties shall exchange, through diplomatic channels, the specimens of the travel documents listed in the Annex to this Agreement, at least thirty (30) days after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.
4. In the case of the issuance of travel documents or the modification of the existing travel documents, both Parties shall immediately notify each other thereof and exchange, through diplomatic channels, specimens of such travel documents, no later than thirty (30) days prior to their entry into force

ARTICLE 6

SUSPENSION

Either Party may suspend the application of the measures stipulated in this Agreement completely or in part, for reasons of public security, protection of public order or public health. The suspension shall be notified to the other Party through diplomatic channels, no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to such suspension. The suspension of this Agreement in whole or in part, shall not affect the nationals of a Party holding valid passports who have been granted entry or are already present in the territory of the other Party under Article 1 of this Agreement at the point of suspension.

ARTICLE 7

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Disputes that may arise out of the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled between the Parties, through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 8

MODIFICATIONS OR AMENDMENTS

This Agreement may be modified through an amendment agreed between the parties, through diplomatic channels, in accordance to Articles 9 and 10 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9

ENTRY INTO FORCE

This Agreement shall enter into force (30) days after the date of receipt through diplomatic channels of the last written notification of the completion by the Parties of their internal legal procedures necessary for its entry into force.

ARTICLE 10

VALIDITY

This Agreement shall be valid for a period of five (5) years, automatically renewable for equal periods, unless one of the Parties communicates to the other, through diplomatic channels, its decision to terminate it, with at least ninety (90) days notice in advance of the date of its termination.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in the city of New York on the 25th September in the year of two thousand nineteen (2019), in two originals, each in the Spanish and English languages all texts being equally authentic.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF
BOLIVIA**

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA**

**DIEGO PARY RODRIGUEZ
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

**EVERLY PAUL CHET GREENE
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

ANNEX TO AGREEMENT ON VISA ABOLITION

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENTS OF

THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA

AND

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

List of travel documents issued to the nationals of the Plurinational State of Bolivia for entry into, exit from, transit through and stay in the territory of Antigua and Barbuda: -

Diplomatic Passport of the Plurinational State of Bolivia –

Official passport of the Plurinational State of Bolivia –

Ordinary passport of the Plurinational State of Bolivia –

Travel document to return to the Plurinational State of Bolivia

(Safe-conduct - only to return to the Plurinational State of Bolivia)

List of travel documents issued to nationals of Antigua and Barbuda for entry into, exit from, transit through and stay in the territory of the Plurinational State of Bolivia: —

Antigua and Barbuda Passport –

Antigua and Barbuda Official Passport –

Antigua and Barbuda Diplomatic Passport –

Travel Document for Return to Antigua and Barbuda (only for return to Antigua and Barbuda)