AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

GEORGIA AND THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC ON THE GAINFUL OCCUPATION OF FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSION AND CONSULAR POST

Georgia and the Argentine Republic, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

With the aim of improving the living conditions of members of diplomatic missions and consular posts through granting access to the labour market for their family members,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1. The family members of a mission employee shall be authorized, on a reciprocal basis, to engage in a gainful occupation in the receiving State, in accordance with this Agreement and the legislation of the receiving State.
- 2. For the purposes of this Agreement:
 - a) "mission employee" means any employee of the sending State:
 - i) who is not a national or permanent resident of the receiving State; and
 - ii) who is employed in a diplomatic mission (including permanent representation of the State to an international organization) or a consular post which is located in the receiving State.
 - b) "family member" means any member of the family of a mission employee:
 - i) who has been accepted as such a member by the receiving State; and
 - ii) who forms part of the household of that mission employee.
 - c) "gainful occupation" shall mean any dependent or independent activity which



- generates income, whether pursued full-time or part-time.
- d) "receiving State" shall mean the Party to which the member of a diplomatic mission or consular post is officially accredited, or in which an international organization is established to which the member of a permanent mission is officially accredited.
- 3. Unless the receiving State decides otherwise, authorization shall not be given to those beneficiaries who, having engaged in a gainful occupation, cease to form part of the household of the persons described in the second paragraph of this Article.
- 4. The authorization shall apply during the period in which the persons, covered in the second paragraph of this Article, are assigned to the diplomatic mission or consular post of the sending State in the territory of the receiving State until the conclusion of the term of the assignment (or within an acceptable timeframe following this event).

ARTICLE 2

PROCEDURES

- 1. All requests for authorization to engage in a gainful occupation shall be sent by the relevant diplomatic mission to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the receiving State.
- 2. Upon verification that the person is a family member of a mission employee within the scope of the provisions of Article 1, Paragraph 2, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the receiving State shall immediately and officially inform the embassy of the sending State that the family member is eligible for gainful occupation.
- 3. The procedures followed shall be applied in a way that enables the beneficiary of the authorization to engage in a gainful occupation as soon as possible. All requirements relating to work permits and any other similar formalities shall be favorably applied.
- 4. Authorization for the beneficiary to engage in a gainful occupation shall not imply exemption from any legal or other requirements relating to personal characteristics, professional or other qualifications that the individual concerned must demonstrate in engaging in a gainful occupation.
- 5. The authorization may be refused in those cases where, for reasons of State security, the national interests of the State or public safety, and/or under the legislation of the receiving State, only nationals of the receiving State can be engaged in a gainful occupation.



ARTICLE 3

IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION

Where the beneficiary of the authorization to engage in a gainful occupation enjoys immunity from the civil and administrative jurisdiction of the receiving State, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961 or any other applicable international instrument, such immunity shall be waived in respect of any act carried out in the course of the gainful occupation and falling within the civil or administrative law of the receiving State.

ARTICLE 4

IMMUNITY FROM CRIMINAL JURISDICTION

Where the beneficiary of the authorization to engage in a gainful occupation enjoys immunity from the criminal jurisdiction of the receiving State, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961 or any other applicable international instrument:

- a) the sending State shall waive the immunity of the beneficiary of the authorization from the criminal jurisdiction of the receiving State in respect of any act or omission arising from the gainful occupation, except in those cases where the sending State considers that a waiver of immunity would be contrary to its interests;
- b) a waiver of immunity from criminal jurisdiction shall not be construed as extending to a waiver of immunity from execution of any sentence, for which a separate waiver is required. In such cases, the sending State shall give serious consideration to a request of the receiving State.

ARTICLE 5

FISCAL AND SOCIAL SECURITY REGIMES

In accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and subject to any other applicable international instruments, a family member will be subject to the taxation and social security regimes of the receiving State for all matters connected with their gainful occupation in accordance with the receiving country legislation.

ARTICLE 6

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute regarding the application or interpretation of this Agreement shall be resolved between the Parties by means of consultations and/or negotiations.



ARTICLE 7

AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS

Amendments and additions may be introduced to the Agreement upon mutual consent of the Parties, which shall be formed as a separate document and enter into force in accordance with the Article 8, Paragraph 1 of the present Agreement. The document formed thereby, shall constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8

ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

- 1. This Agreement shall be concluded for an indefinite period and shall enter into force on the date of signature.
- 2. Each Party may terminate this Agreement by giving a written notice of termination to the other Party through diplomatic channels. In such case, this Agreement shall expire six (6) months after the date of the receipt of the written notice by the other Party.

Done at Buenos Aires on Ares on Ares on Ares on 27 Morch, 2024 in two originals, each in the Georgian, Spanish and English languages, both being equally authentic. In case of divergence in the interpretation between the Georgian and Spanish texts, the English text shall prevail.

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