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and  
ARGENTINA**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement on the abolition of the short-stay visa requirement. Buenos Aires, 20 December 1994**

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**Échange de lettres constituant un accord sur la suppression de l'obligation de visa de court séjour. Buenos Aires, 20 décembre 1994**

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*Enregistré par la France le 29 février 1996.*

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN FRANCE AND ARGENTINA FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE SHORT-STAY VISA REQUIREMENT

I

FRENCH REPUBLIC  
EMBASSY OF FRANCE IN ARGENTINA  
THE AMBASSADOR

Buenos Aires, 20 December 1994

Sir,

Desiring to promote the development of bilateral relations between our two countries and wishing to facilitate the movement of their citizens, my Government considers it expedient to propose to the Government of the Argentine Republic the abolition of the short-stay visa requirement between our two countries in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Nationals of the Argentine Republic shall be admitted without a visa into French departments for a stay of up to three months upon presentation of a valid national diplomatic, official or ordinary passport.

(2) They may travel without a visa to the overseas territories of the French Republic (French Polynesia, Wallis and Futuna, New Caledonia and the Southern and Antarctic Territories) for a stay of up to one month. For a longer stay, they must be in possession of a visa before their departure.

(3) Nationals of the French Republic shall be admitted without a visa into the territory of the Argentine Republic for a stay of up to three months upon presentation of a valid diplomatic, official or ordinary passport.

(4) Nationals of the two countries, whether they hold a diplomatic, official or ordinary passport, will still be obliged to obtain a visa for stays longer than those mentioned in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3.

(5) The provisions of this note shall be implemented without prejudice to the laws and regulations in force in the French Republic and in the Argentine Republic concerning the entry, sojourn, employment and removal of aliens.

(6) The Contracting Parties shall transmit to each other, through the diplomatic channel, specimens of their new or amended national passports, along with information on the use of these passports; to the extent possible, this shall be done 60 days before such passports are put into service.

(7) This Agreement cancels and replaces the exchange of notes of 16 July 1962.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 24 December 1994, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters.

(8) This Agreement may be denounced at any time with 30 days' notice.

The denunciation of this Agreement shall be communicated to the other Contracting Party through the diplomatic channel.

(9) The implementation of this Agreement may be suspended in whole or in part by either Contracting Party.

Notice of the suspension shall be given immediately through the diplomatic channel.

I should be grateful if you would inform me whether the foregoing provisions meet with your Government's approval. If so, this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on Saturday, 24 December 1994.

Accept, Sir, etc.

RENAUD VIGNAL

Mr. Guido di Tella  
Minister for Foreign Affairs  
International Trade and Worship

## II

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND WORSHIP

Buenos Aires, 20 December 1994

Sir,

I have the honour to write to you with reference to your letter of today's date, in which you propose an Agreement between our two countries concerning the abolition of short-stay visas, which, translated into Spanish, reads as follows:

[*See letter I*]

In this connection, I am pleased to inform you that my Government agrees to the terms of the foregoing letter, which, together with this letter, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on Saturday, 24 December 1994.

Accept, Sir, etc.

GUIDO DI TELLA

His Excellency the Ambassador of the French Republic  
Mr. Renaud Vignal  
Buenos Aires

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