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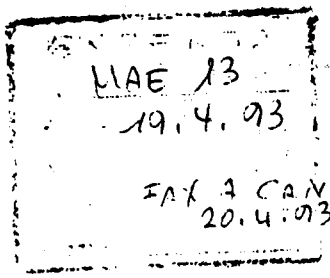

Jerusalem, 29 March, 1993

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that, in order to simplify the entry procedures into the State of Israel and the Argentine Republic, the Government of the State of Israel is prepared to conclude with the Government of the Argentine Republic an Agreement in the following terms:

1. The Government of the State of Israel shall exempt holders of valid Argentine diplomatic and official passports from the obligation to obtain a visa for the purpose of entering the State of Israel for a visit or a stay not exceeding ninety days from the date of entry.

2. The Government of the Argentine Republic shall exempt holders of valid Israeli diplomatic and service passports from the obligation to obtain a visa for the purpose of entering the Argentine Republic for a visit or a stay not exceeding ninety days from the day of entry.

3. Holders of Argentine diplomatic and official passports exercising official functions in the State of Israel as

members of a diplomatic mission and members of their family forming part of their household, or whose stay there exceeds the period of ninety days, shall apply in Israel for the usual and appropriate permits of residence.

4. Holders of Israeli diplomatic and service passports exercising official functions in the Argentine Republic as members of a diplomatic mission and members of their family forming part of their household, or whose stay there exceeds the period of ninety days, shall apply in the Argentine Republic for the usual and appropriate permits of residence.

5. Nationals of the Argentine Republic holders of valid national passports, shall be exempt from the obligation of obtaining tourist visas for a stay in Israel not exceeding ninety days.

6. Nationals of the State of Israel, holders of valid national passports, shall be exempt from the obligation of obtaining tourist visas for a stay in the Argentine Republic not exceeding ninety days.

7. Nationals of the Argentine Republic and the State of Israel, who wish to stay in the Argentine Republic or in Israel respectively, for a period exceeding ninety days, shall

obtain the necessary authorisation from the competent authorities of the country concerned.

8. Subject to the foregoing provisions, holders of valid national passports benefitting under this Agreement shall, while in the Argentine Republic or in the State of Israel, comply with the laws and regulations applicable to foreigners in respect of entry and residence, temporary or permanent, and shall not take up any employment, whether paid or unpaid, nor practice for personal profit any professional or commercial activity unless proper authorisation has been given by the respective Government.

9. The Governments of the Argentine Republic and of the State of Israel reserve the right to refuse admission to persons not possessing a valid national passport or lacking adequate means of subsistence or otherwise ineligible under the general policy of the respective Governments relating to the entry of aliens.

10. Each of the two Contracting Parties undertakes to readmit without formality into its territory, any of its nationals.

11. The Governments of the Argentine Republic and the State of Israel reserve the right to temporarily suspend the application of this Agreement, for reasons of public order or

national security, by giving the other government immediate notice through diplomatic channels.

12. The Agreement shall be subject to termination by either Government upon six months notice given in writing to the other Government.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Argentine Republic, I have the honour to suggest that the present letter and Your Excellency's reply constitute an Agreement between our two Governments concerning the abolition of visas for diplomatic, official and national passports which shall enter into force ninety days following your reply.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Shimon Peres

His Excellency
Mr. Hugo Juan Gobbi
Ambassador of the Argentine Republic
in Israel

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Tel Aviv, December 23rd 1993.

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of March 29, 1993, which reads as follows:

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I have the further honour, on behalf of the Government of the Argentine Republic, to confirm that the proposal by the Government of the State of Israel contained in your note is acceptable to the Government of the Argentine Republic,

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and to agree that Your Excellency's note and this note in reply thereto shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which will become effective on the ninetieth (90th) day after the date of this note.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

José María V. Otegui
Ambassador

His Excellency
Mr. Shimon Peres
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of the State of Israel
Jerusalem.