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**Agreement Between Ireland and the Argentine Republic Concerning  
the Employment of Dependants of Employees Assigned to Official  
Duty in the State of the Other Party**

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN IRELAND AND THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC  
CONCERNING THE EMPLOYMENT OF DEPENDANTS OF EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO  
OFFICIAL DUTY IN THE STATE OF THE OTHER PARTY**

*Considering* the contemporary trends in diplomatic relations concerning the employment of dependants of official employees;

*Desiring* to facilitate the gainful employment of certain family members of official employees at missions representing Ireland or the Argentine Republic;

Ireland and the Argentine Republic (“the Parties”) have agreed as follows:

**Article 1**  
*Authorisation for employment*

The dependants of members of diplomatic missions and consular posts of one of the Parties officially accredited to the other shall be authorised, on a reciprocal basis, to engage in gainful employment in the receiving State in accordance with this Agreement and the laws of the receiving State.

**Article 2**  
*Definitions*

For the purposes of this Agreement:

“dependant” means any member of the family of a member of a diplomatic mission or consular post who forms part of the latter’s household, and who has been accepted as such a family member by the receiving State.

“employment” includes full-time and part-time employment, including self-employment.

“members of diplomatic missions” and “members of consular posts” include diplomatic agents, members of the administrative and technical staff, consular officers and consular employees within the meaning of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of April 18, 1961 and the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of April 24, 1963, but do not include members of the service staff.

**Article 3**  
*Procedure*

1. In the case of dependants who seek employment in Argentina, an official request may be made by the local Embassy of Ireland to the National Directorate of Protocol of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Argentine Republic. Upon verification that the person is a dependant within the scope of this Agreement, the Embassy of Ireland shall be informed by the National Directorate of Protocol that the dependant has permission to engage in employment.

2. In the case of dependants who seek employment in Ireland, an official request may be made by the local Embassy of the Argentine Republic to the Protocol Division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Ireland. Upon verification that the person is a dependant within the scope of this Agreement, the Embassy of the Argentine Republic shall be informed by the Protocol Division that the dependant has permission to engage in employment.

#### Article 4

##### *Scope of employment authorisation*

1. No restriction shall be placed on the type of employment that may be engaged in. It is understood, however, that in positions where particular qualifications are required, it shall be necessary for the dependant to meet those qualifications.
2. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a basis for recognising the equivalency of any qualification held by dependants.
3. Any authorisation for a dependant to be in employment in the receiving State shall be terminated at the end of the assignment of the official employee.

#### Article 5

##### *Issues relating to immunities*

1. Dependants who obtain employment pursuant to this Agreement and who have immunity from the civil or administrative jurisdiction of the receiving State in accordance with the 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, or any other applicable international agreement or rule of law, shall not enjoy immunity from civil and administrative jurisdiction with respect to matters arising out of such employment.
2. In the event that a dependant who has immunity from criminal jurisdiction in accordance with 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, or any other applicable international agreement or rule of law, is accused of a criminal offence committed in relation to his or her employment, the sending State shall give serious consideration to any written request that may be submitted by the receiving State for the waiving of such immunity.
3. A waiver of immunity from criminal jurisdiction shall not be construed as extending to immunity from execution of any sanction or sentence arising therefrom, for which a specific waiver shall be required. The sending State shall give serious consideration to any written request that may be submitted by the receiving State for any such waiver.

#### Article 6

##### *Taxation and Social Security Matters*

Dependants who obtain employment pursuant to this Agreement shall be liable to pay all taxes and other deductions which may lawfully be due on any remuneration received as a result of employment in the receiving State.

#### Article 7

##### *Settlement of Disputes*

Any differences or disputes regarding the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled through mutual consultations.

#### Article 8

##### *Status, Duration, Amendment and Termination of this Agreement*

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force until terminated by either Party with six (6) months' notice in writing through diplomatic channels.

2. At the request of either Party, this Agreement may be amended by mutual consent at any time.

Done in duplicate at Dublin on 14 February 2019 in two originals in the English and Spanish languages, both being equally authentic.

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