EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT
between
THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND
and
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC
REGARDING THE AGREEMENT DONE AT PRAGUE ON 12 APRIL 1991
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH AND SLOVAK FEDERAL REPUBLIC
IN REGARD TO THE MUTUAL ABOLITION OF VISAS

Exchange of Notes dated 13 September 2000 (Slovak)
and 14 September 2000 (Irish)

ENTERED INTO FORCE ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2000

LAID BEFORE DÁIL ÉIREANN
BY THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Dublin presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland and, upon the instruction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic, has the honour to inform the Department that, in accordance with the Declaration of the National Council of the Slovak Republic dated 3 December 1992 and in conformity with the valid principles of international law and to the extent defined by it, the Slovak Republic, as a successor State to the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, considers itself bound by the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic in regard to the Mutual Abolition of Visas (Prague, 12 April 1991) which was valid between the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic and Ireland on 31 December 1992.

The Embassy has the honour to propose that, if the content of this Note is acceptable to the Government of Ireland, the present Note and the Note of reply of the Department shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Slovak Republic and the Government of Ireland that the above-mentioned Agreement is in force between the two Governments.

The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Dublin avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dublin, 13th September 2000

Department of Foreign Affairs
Of Ireland

Dublin
The Department of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Slovak Republic and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note No. 32/2000 of 13 September 2000 which read(s) as follows:

"The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Dublin presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland and, upon the instruction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic, has the honour to inform the Department that, in accordance with the Declaration of the National Council of the Slovak Republic dated 3 December 1992 and in conformity with the valid principles of international law and to the extent defined by it, the Slovak Republic, as a successor State to the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, considers itself bound by the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic in regard to the Mutual Abolition of Visas (Prague, 12 April 1991) which was valid between the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic and Ireland on 31 December 1992.

"The Embassy has the honour to propose that, if the content of this Note is acceptable to the Government of Ireland, the present Note and the Note of reply of the Department shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Slovak Republic and the Government of Ireland that the above-mentioned Agreement is in force between the two Governments.

"The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Dublin avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration."

The Department has the honour to inform the Embassy that the content of the above-mentioned Note is acceptable to the Government of Ireland and to confirm that that Note and the present Note in reply to it shall constitute an agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the Slovak Republic that the above-mentioned Agreement is in force between the two Governments.

The Department of Foreign Affairs takes this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Slovak Republic the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dublin, 14 September 2000