

AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND  
ON A WORKING HOLIDAY SCHEME

The Government of Japan and the Government of the Republic of Poland (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as the "Party"),

In a spirit of promoting closer co-operative relationship between the two countries, and

Desirous of providing wider opportunities for their nationals, particularly the youth, to appreciate the culture and general way of life of the other country for the purpose of promoting mutual understanding between the two countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. Each Party will issue, free of charge, to a national of the other country (hereinafter referred to as the "sending country") residing in that country an appropriate visa.

2. Each Party will issue a visa mentioned in paragraph 1 above if a national mentioned in paragraph 1 above meets all of the following requirements and that Party deems appropriate:

- (a) intends to enter the other country (hereinafter referred to as the "receiving country") primarily for the purpose of spending holidays;
- (b) is between eighteen (18) and thirty (30) years of age, both inclusive, at the time of application;
- (c) is not being accompanied by dependants;
- (d) possesses a valid passport and a return ticket or sufficient funds with which to purchase such ticket;

- (e) possesses reasonable funds for the maintenance of his or her stay in the receiving country during the initial period of the stay;
- (f) intends to leave the receiving country at the end of his or her stay and not altering his or her status of residence during the stay;
- (g) has not previously been issued a visa to stay in the receiving country as a participant of the Working Holiday Scheme by that Party;
- (h) complies with any health requirements imposed by that Party;
- (i) has sufficient medical insurance;
- (j) has no criminal record; and
- (k) intends to comply with the laws and regulations in force in the receiving country during his or her stay in the receiving country.

#### Article 2

Each Party shall permit nationals of the sending country to apply for visas to stay in the receiving country as a participant of the Working Holiday Scheme at the Embassy of the receiving country located in the sending country. When necessary, applicants will be interviewed by the representatives of the Embassy to determine their eligibility.

#### Article 3

Each Party shall permit the nationals of the sending country who possess valid visas to stay in the receiving country as a participant of the Working Holiday Scheme for a period of one year from the date of entry and allow them to engage in employment without work permit as an incidental activity of their holidays for the purpose of supplementing their travel funds in accordance with the laws and regulations in force of the receiving country.

#### Article 4

Each Party shall determine annually the number of visas mentioned in Article 1 to be issued for nationals of the sending country and shall notify the other Party of such number through diplomatic channels.

#### Article 5

Nationals of either Party who have entered the receiving country as participants of the Working Holiday Scheme shall comply with the laws and regulations in force in the receiving country during their stay in that country.

#### Article 6

The provisions of this Agreement shall be implemented in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in the respective countries.

#### Article 7

1. The Parties shall notify each other, in writing, of the completion of their respective internal procedures necessary for the entry into force of this Agreement. The Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the latter of the dates of receipt of the notifications.

2. Any dispute regarding the interpretation of this Agreement shall be resolved through diplomatic channels.

3. The provisions of this Agreement may, at any time, be subject to consultations between the Parties through diplomatic channels.

4. Amendments of this Agreement may be negotiated between the Parties at any time. These amendments shall be concluded in written form.

5. Either Party may suspend the implementation of the foregoing provisions, in whole or in part, temporarily for reasons of public policy. Any such suspension shall be notified immediately to the other Party through diplomatic channels.

6. Each Party may terminate this Agreement through diplomatic channels by giving three months' written notice to the other Party.

7. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement or the suspension of the implementation of any provisions of this Agreement, unless otherwise decided by the Parties through diplomatic channels, each Party shall afford favourable consideration to the request for entry or stay of any national of the sending country who, at the date of such termination or suspension, has been issued a valid visa to stay in the receiving country as a participant of the Working Holiday Scheme or is permitted to stay in the receiving country, in accordance with Article 3.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Parties, have signed this Agreement.

Done in duplicate at Tokyo, on February 27, 2015, in the Japanese, Polish and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT  
OF JAPAN:

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OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND: