The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic and has the honor to propose the following.

The Government of the Hellenic Republic and the Government of the United States of America agree, on the basis of reciprocity, that spouses of employees of either government assigned to official duty in the Diplomatic Missions, Consular posts or Missions to International Organizations may seek and accept gainful employment of any appropriate kind in the receiving state, provided that the said employees are citizens of the sending state.

The number of spouses employed at any time in either country will not exceed a maximum of 30 persons, each work permit being issued for no more than four years, not renewable.

Before a spouse may accept employment in the receiving state, the Embassy of the sending state will make an official request, by diplomatic note, to the office of Protocol in the Department of State and the Protocol Direction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, respectively. All relevant procedures will be effected in a timely manner, according to the internal procedures of each country.

The parties understand that immunity from civil and administrative jurisdiction as well as immunity in respect of execution of judgment rendered in such matters does not apply to spouses thus employed with respect to all matters arising from such employment.

Concerning criminal jurisdiction, in the event that a spouse who has immunity in accordance with the Vienna Convention on diplomatic relations and is accused of a criminal offence committed in relation to his or her employment, the sending state will give serious consideration to any written request that may be submitted by the receiving state for the waiving of such immunity.
Spouses obtaining employment in the host State under this agreement are subject to payment of income and social security taxes and all other federal, state and local taxes, excises, stamp duties and duties and charges in favour of the government of the receiving state or third persons on any remuneration received as result of employment in the receiving state.

If these understandings are acceptable, this note together with the reply of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Hellenic Republic, which shall enter into force when each party has notified the other of the fulfillment of its internal procedural requirements and shall remain in force until 90 days after the date of written notification from either government to the other of intention to terminate it.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic and has to honor to inform the Ministry, with reference to the bilateral agreement on employment of spouses of employees of diplomatic missions, and the Embassy's note No. 0271PER/95 and the Ministry's note No. 2220/AS 741, that the Government of the United States of America has fulfilled its internal requirements for entry into force of the Agreement. Therefore, the Agreement shall enter into force upon receipt of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' note of reply confirming that the Government of the Hellenic Republic has completed its internal requirements.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

I, the undersigned Consular Officer of the United States of America, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and faithful copy of the original record filed with me and compared with the said original, and agree therewith word for word and in form.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this ... day of ..., 19...

[Signature]
Elizabeth Barnet
Consul of the United States of America