AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

ON MUTUAL VISA EXEMPTION

FOR HOLDERS OF

ORDINARY PASSPORTS

The Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Government of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties) and,

in order to further promote the friendly relations between the two countries and to facilitate the procedure of the travelling of their citizens,

following friendly consultations on mutual visa exemption for holders of ordinary passports on the basis of equality and reciprocity,

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina, holders of valid ordinary passports of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the citizens of the People's Republic of China, holders of valid ordinary passports of the People's Republic of China, shall be exempted from visa requirement for entry into, exit from, stay in or transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party during the period of stay up to ninety (90) days in any one-hundred-and-eighty (180)-day period which entails considering the 180-day period preceding each day of stay.

Article 2

Citizens of either Contracting Party, referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, may enter into, exit from or transit through the territory of the other Contracting Party at the international border crossing points opened for international passengers traffic and shall comply with the necessary formalities in accordance with the regulations of the other Contracting Party.

Article 3

- 1. Citizens of the state of either Contracting Party shall abide by the laws and regulations which are in force in the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party during their entry, stay into and exit from the territory, unless otherwise provided in the international treaties to which both states are Contracting Parties.
- 2. Citizens of either Contracting Party, referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, who want to enter into and stay in the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party for a period longer than the period of stay provided for in Article 1 of this Agreement, or to study, engage in employment, media activities or other activities which shall be approved in advance by the competent authorities of the other Contracting Party, shall apply for and obtain an appropriate visa prior to entering the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party.
- 3. Citizens of either Contracting Party, referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, who want to apply for the residence permit in the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party, shall apply for and obtain, prior to entering the territory of the state of the other Contracting Party, an appropriate visa in accordance with the laws and regulations of the other Contracting Party.

Article 4

This Agreement shall not limit the right of either Contracting Party to prohibit persons, who are considered undesirable or unacceptable citizens of the other Contracting Party, from entering its territory, or to terminate their stay in its territory or to impose other measures in accordance with its laws and regulations.

Article 5

- 1. Either Contracting Party may temporarily suspend the application of this Agreement in part or in whole for reasons of national security, public order or public health.
- 2. Either Contracting Party shall inform the other Contracting Party not later than seventy two (72) hours in advance, by a written notice through diplomatic channels, of the suspension of this Agreement, as well as of the termination of a such suspension.

Article 6

- 1. The Contracting Parties shall exchange specimens of the passports referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement, through diplomatic channels, not later than thirty (30) days following the signing of this Agreement.
- 2. During the period of validity of this Agreement, either Contracting Party shall inform the other Contracting Party, through diplomatic channels, thirty (30) days prior to introducing any

changes in the pattern of passports and provide the other Contracting Party with the specimens of the new passports.

Article 7

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth (30th) day from the date of receipt of the latter's written notice by the Contracting Parties, through diplomatic channels, of the completion of all internal procedures necessary for its entry into force.
- 2. This Agreement, after the termination of the procedure referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, shall remain in force for an indefinite period. If either Contracting Party wants to terminate this Agreement, it shall notify the other Contracting Party by a written notice, through diplomatic channels, and this Agreement shall cease to be valid on the ninetieth (90th) day from the date of notification.

3. This Agreement may be amended by a mutual written consent of the Contracting Parties.

Done at _______ on _______, in two originals, each in Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian, Chinese and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergences in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina

For the Government of the People's Republic of China