



AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT

OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

CONCERNING

YOUTH MOBILITY PROGRAMS OF 20 JUNE 2006

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, hereinafter referred to as the "Sides",

WISHING to amend the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of Canada concerning Youth Mobility Programs ("the MOU"), signed at Berlin on 20 June 2006 in order to better meet practical needs,

CONSIDERING that young people today are more mobile than previous generations,

Considering that it would be in their interests if young citizens who are not domiciled or habitually resident in their home country when they apply for the visa for the other country are permitted to participate in the program,

CONSIDERING that the existing provision that two one-year stays may not follow consecutively is outdated,

HAVE COME to the following understanding:

- 1. Paragraph (3) of the MOU is amended as follows:
 - (i) at sub-paragraph (a) the first sentence will be replaced by:

"In order to qualify to participate in these youth mobility programs, young citizens of the respective states who fall into one of the categories of paragraph (2) may apply for a visa at any embassy or consulate-general of the Federal Republic of Germany that is authorized to issue visas or may apply for a work permit at the competent Canadian authority provided that the following conditions are met:"

- (ii) Paragraph 3(a)(iv) will be deleted.
- (iii) Paragraphs 3(a)(v) to (x) will become paragraphs 3(a)(iv) to (ix).
- (iv) A new sub-paragraph (b) will be added as follows:

"Canadian nationals may apply for a visa to participate in the youth mobility program at the Consulate-General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Toronto or at any other embassy or consulate-general of the Federal Republic of Germany authorized to issue visas located in another country. The sides understand that Canadian nationals may enter the Federal Republic of Germany without a visa and stay there even if their stay is not short-term. For such cases, the German legislation provides that they must obtain the residence permit required for participating in the youth mobility program from the competent authorities in Germany within 90 days of entering the country. It will not be permitted for them to take up employment until the appropriate residence permit has been received.

German nationals may apply for a work permit to participate in the youth mobility program at the competent Canadian authority responsible for the assessment of such applications."

- (v) Sub-paragraph (b) will become sub-paragraph (c) and is amended as follows:
 - (A) Paragraph 3(b)(i) will be deleted.
 - (B) Paragraph 3(b)(ii) will become paragraph 3(b)(i) and paragraph 3(b)(iii) will become paragraph 3(b)(ii).
- (vi) Subparagraph (c) will become subparagraph (d).
- 2. Paragraph 5 subparagraph (b) is amended as follows:

"The access documents described in paragraph 5 subparagraph (a) may be issued to qualifying young citizens by the Canadian or German authority where the application was submitted pursuant to paragraph 3."

3. Paragraph 6 subparagraph (a) is amended by adding the following sentence:

"To participate in the program a second time on a consecutive basis, young Canadian nationals need a new residence permit, which they can obtain from the competent authority in Germany."

- 4. All other disposition of the MOU remains unchanged.
- 5. This Amendment will take effect on the date of its last signature by the sides.

SIGNED in duplicate in Berlin on the sixth day of April 2017, in the English, French and German languages, all versions being equivalent.

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