**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND EUROPEAN AFFAIRS**

**OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ………………………..**

**ON POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS**

The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs ……………, hereinafter individually referred to as the “Signatory” and jointly as the “Signatories”,

Expressing their desire to further strengthen the existing bilateral relations and cooperation through establishing a mechanism for political consultations,

Desiring to develop and consolidate these existing bilateral relations and activate different areas of cooperation between the two countries,

Guided by the principles of mutual respect for sovereignty, territorial integrity, non-aggression, non-interference in the internal affairs of either country, equality, mutual benefit, and peaceful co-existence,

Have reached the following understanding:

# Paragraph 1

The Signatories will hold consultations and talks on a regular basis to examine the development of bilateral relations between the two countries, and to exchange views on regional and international matters of common interest.

# Paragraph 2

The consultations will be held alternately in the Republic of Slovenia and ……………, and the consultations may also take place in the margins of international conferences and meetings, including the United Nations General Assembly.

# Paragraph 3

The delegations at the consultations, referred to in Paragraph 2 of this Memorandum of Understanding, will be headed by the Ministers, their deputies, heads of departments or at any other level agreed upon by the Signatories and may include experts from both Signatories.

# Paragraph 4

The Signatories will agree upon the date, agenda, place, and level of the consultations in advance through diplomatic channels.

# Paragraph 5

The substance and results of the consultations, referred to in Paragraph 2 of this Memorandum of Understanding, will not be published, unless the Signatories mutually agree to publish or disseminate information regarding it following the consultations.

# Paragraph 6

Both Signatories will cover all their travel, accommodation, and other expenses related to the consultations referred to in Paragraph 2 of this Memorandum of Understanding.

# Paragraph 7

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time by mutual agreement.

# Paragraph 8

Any differences regarding the interpretation or application of this Memorandum of Understanding will be resolved by consultations between the Signatories.

**Paragraph 9**

This Memorandum of Understanding does not create any rights and obligations under international law.

# Paragraph 10

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of its signature, and will remain in effect for an indefinite period. Either Signatory may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding at any time by giving three months written notice through diplomatic channels to the other Signatory.

Signed in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in two originals in the English language.

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| **FOR****THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN** **AFFAIRS ……………………..** | **FOR****THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND EUROPEAN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA** |