

**PROTOCOL  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF MONTENEGRO  
IMPLEMENTING  
THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY  
AND  
THE REPUBLIC OF MONTENEGRO  
ON THE READMISSION OF PERSONS RESIDING  
WITHOUT AUTHORISATION**

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of Montenegro hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”,  
*desiring* to facilitate the implementation of the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Montenegro on the Readmission of Persons Residing without Authorization done at Brussels on the day of 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2007, hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement on Readmission”,  
*in accordance* with the provisions of Article 19 of the Agreement on Readmission  
*have agreed as follows:*

## Article 1

### Designated Competent Authorities

1. The Parties have designated the following competent authorities for the implementation:

a) reception, submission and processing of readmission applications:

*For the Republic of Lithuania:*

Migration Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania

L. Sapiegos str. 1, LT-10312 Vilnius

Tel.: +370 5 271 7112

E-mail: [info@migracija.gov.lt](mailto:info@migracija.gov.lt)

*For Montenegro:*

Ministry of Interior of Montenegro

Directorate for Civil Status and Personal Documents

Department for Foreigners, Migration and Readmission

Address: Bulevar Svetog Petra Cetinjskog 22

81 000 Podgorica

Tel: +382 20 22 53 41

Faks: +382 20 20 32 75

E-mail: [mupreadmisija@t-com.me](mailto:mupreadmisija@t-com.me)

b) reception, submission and processing of transit applications:

*For the Republic of Lithuania:*

State Border Guard Service of the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania

Savanorių av. 2, LT-03116 Vilnius

Tel.: +370 707 59301

E-mail: [dvks@vsat.vrm.lt](mailto:dvks@vsat.vrm.lt)

*For Montenegro:*

Police Directorate

Border Police Section

Department for Foreigners and Prevention of Illegal  
Migration

Phone: +382 20 202 895

Fax: +382 20 202 896

E-mail: [odsjekzasism.rukovodilac@policija.me](mailto:odsjekzasism.rukovodilac@policija.me)

Address: Bulevar Svetog Petra Cetinjskog 22, 81 000  
Podgorica

## **Article 2**

### **Border Crossing Points**

The readmission and admission in transit of citizens of the Parties and of third country nationals as well as stateless persons shall take place at the following state border crossing points of the Parties:

*For the Republic of Lithuania:*

Vilnius International Airport

Rodunios kelias 2, LT-02189 Vilnius

Tel.: +370 5 219 84 85, +370 655 00176

E-mail: [vsat.vou.ob@vsat.vrm.lt](mailto:vsat.vou.ob@vsat.vrm.lt)

State Enterprise Lithuanian Airports Kaunas Branch

Oro uosto str. 4, Karmelava, LT-54460 Kaunas district

Tel.: +370 707 42 460

E-mail: [vsat.kauno.ob@vsat.vrm.lt](mailto:vsat.kauno.ob@vsat.vrm.lt)

State Enterprise Lithuanian Airports Palanga Branch  
Liepojos plentas 1, LT-00170 Palanga  
Tel.: +370 61 09 74 95  
E-mail: ws72105@vsat.vrm.lt

*For Montenegro:*  
International border crossing Podgorica Airport  
Tel: +382 20 225 618, +382 20 635 055  
E-mail: sgpaerodrompg@up.gov.me

### **Article 3**

#### **Language of Communication**

For the purpose of the implementation of the Agreement on Readmission and the Protocol between the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of Montenegro Implementing the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Montenegro on the Readmission of Persons Residing without Authorization (hereinafter referred to as the “Implementing Protocol”), the Parties shall communicate in the English language.

### **Article 4**

#### **Documents to be Submitted with the Readmission Application**

1. A standard readmission application form, enclosed in Annex 6 to the Agreement on Readmission (hereinafter referred to as “Readmission Application”), shall be completed in accordance with Article 8 of the Agreement on Readmission and shall be sent to the competent authority of the state of the Requested Party via any means of communication, including electronic means of communication. An electronic delivery report shall constitute proof of delivery of a Readmission Application.

2. Apart from a Readmission Application, the competent authority of the state of the Requesting Party shall submit to the competent authority of the state of the Requested Party the relevant completed documents listed in the Annexes to the Agreement on Readmission, a completed standard form “European Fingerprints’ Standard” with fingerprints and a photograph of the person with regard to which a Readmission Application is submitted (not a scanned or otherwise made copy of the photograph). If the evidence provided for in Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 is to be submitted, it must be correct and precise in order to enable its verification which would lead to determination whether the readmission obligation of the Requested Party exists.

## **Article 5**

### **Interview**

1. If necessary, an interview shall be conducted in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 3 of the Agreement on Readmission. The competent authority of the Requesting Party shall submit a request for an interview with the use of technical means to the competent diplomatic – consular mission of the Requested Party.
2. The competent official of the diplomatic – consular mission shall notify the competent authority of the Requesting Party on the results of the interview within 3 working days from the date of the conducted interview.
3. In a case the relevant diplomatic – consular mission of the Requested Party shall display information on the interview, on the basis of which the citizenship of the person concerned can be reasonably presumed, the competent authority of the Requesting Party shall submit the response on the results of the interview to the competent authority of the Requested Party together with the Application for Readmission unless it was previously submitted.



## **Article 6**

### **Time limits**

1. Once the Requested Party has responded positively to the request for readmission, the travel document for the return of the person shall be issued immediately but no later than within 3 working days, with a validity period of 90 days:

On behalf of the Republic of Lithuania: officials of the diplomatic representation of the Republic of Lithuania accredited to Montenegro.

On behalf of Montenegro: officials of the diplomatic representation of Montenegro accredited to the Republic of Lithuania.

2. If, due to legal or factual obstacles, the person concerned cannot be readmitted within the validity period of the travel document that was originally issued, the Requested Party shall issue, within 14 calendar days, a new travel document with the same period of validity.

3. If Montenegro does not issue a new travel document within 14 calendar days, it shall be considered that the use of the standard EU travel document for expulsion is accepted.

## **Article 7**

### **Transfer of Persons to be Readmitted**

1. The transfer of the person to be readmitted shall take place at the time, place and under escort agreed upon in writing by the competent authorities of the Parties. A notification containing information on the time and location of the transfer of the person to be readmitted shall be submitted by e-mail to the competent authority of the state of the Requested Party not later than three (3) working days before the date of transfer of a person to be readmitted.
2. If the term of the transfer of the person to be readmitted is extended due to any legal or practical impediments, the competent authority of the Requesting Party shall immediately notify the competent authority of the Requested Party of the elimination of such impediments and shall indicate the envisaged time and location of transfer.

## **Article 8**

### **Conditions Concerning Escorted Transfer**

In pursuance with Article 19, paragraph 1, line b of the Agreement on Readmission, the Parties agree to the following conditions relating to escorted transfers or transit of the person to be readmitted on their territories:

- a) the escort shall be responsible for escorting the person to be readmitted and transferring him or her to the State of destination;
- b) the escort shall perform his or her duties unarmed and in civilian clothing. He or she must carry documents proving that readmission or transit has been approved of, and he or she shall be able at all times to prove his or her identity and official authorization through relevant documents;
- c) the Requested Party shall ensure an adequate protection and assistance to the escort during the performance of his or her duties in order to carry out the official authorizations in performing such duties;
- d) the escort shall in all cases be subject to the legislation in force in the territory of the Requested State. In discharge of duties, the escort shall not act in excess of necessary defence. The content of necessary defence shall be established by the legislation in force in the territory of the State where relevant action takes place. In case of unavailability of officials of the Requested Party authorized to carry out the necessary activities or in order to support such officials in situations of immediate and serious risk, the escort may take reasonable and commensurate measures to prevent the person to be readmitted from escaping, injuring himself or herself or injuring any other third persons, or causing damage to property;
- e) the escort shall be responsible for carrying the travel documents and other required certificates or data of the person to be readmitted, and for handing over such items to the representative of the competent authority of the State of destination. The escort may not leave the agreed location of transfer of the person to be readmitted before the transfer of the person to be readmitted is completed;
- f) the competent authorities of the Requesting Party shall ensure that, when necessary, the escort have visas of the State (States) of transit and destination.

## **Article 9**

### **Modalities and Assistance for Transit**

1. The Parties shall use the following practical modalities for transit operations:
  - a) an application for transit (of the form and content as specified in Annex 7 of the Agreement on Readmission) must be submitted by e-mail to the competent authority of the Requested Party at least 6 working days prior to the planned transit;
  - b) the competent authority of the Requested Party must respond by e-mail within 5 calendar days from the receipt of a transit application notifying the competent authority of the Requesting Party about its consent to such a transit and the time planned, the border crossing point designated, the method of transportation of the person to be readmitted and the escort;
  - c) if the Requesting Party considers it necessary to seek assistance from the competent authorities of the Requested Party for a specific transit operation, this is to be indicated in the transit application (Annex 7 of the Agreement on Readmission). In the response to such an application, the competent authorities of the Requested Party are required to inform whether it is possible to provide such assistance;
  - d) in the case the person to be readmitted is transported by air or is escorted, the competent authorities of the Requested Party shall ensure the security of the person to be readmitted on its territory.
2. The Requesting Party undertakes the obligation to receive the person to be readmitted in accordance with Article 14 paragraph 1 and 2 of the Agreement on Readmission without any delay, provided:
  - a) the consent to transit is refused or withdrawn in accordance with Article 13 paragraph 3 and 4 of the Agreement on Readmission;
  - b) the person to be readmitted has illegally entered into the territory of the Requested Party during the transit;
  - c) the transfer of the person to be readmitted in another State of transit or destination is unsuccessful, or
  - d) the transit is not possible for any other reason.



## **Article 10**

### **Coverage of Costs**

Costs related to readmission or transit operations incurred by the Requested Party, which shall be covered by the Requesting Party in accordance with Article 15 of the Agreement on Readmission, shall be reimbursed by the Requesting Party in euros within 30 days from the date of receipt of the invoice.

## **Article 11**

### **Personal Data Protection**

In addition to the provisions of the Article 16 of the Agreement on Readmission, the following principles of personal data protection shall be applied to this Implementing Protocol:

1. The transmission of personal data shall only take place if such transmission is necessary for the implementation of the Agreement on Readmission by the competent authorities of the Parties and it shall be subject to the legislation in force in the territory of Montenegro and, where the data controller is a competent authority of the Republic of Lithuania, to the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Personal data, provided in the readmission application, shall be used only by the competent authorities of the parties and only for the purposes of the implementation of the readmission procedure as it is prescribed in the Agreement on Readmission and this Implementing Protocol. Transmission of the personal data to the other institutions of the Parties, may only take part with the prior written consent and express authorisation of the Party that has transmitted personal data and the receiving third parties commit to respect the same data protection principles and safeguards as prescribed in the Agreement on Readmission and Implementing Protocol. The competent authority of the Party that has transmitted personal data shall, upon its request, be informed of the use of the transmitted data and the results achieved.

2. Personal data should be:

- a) processed lawfully and fairly;
- b) collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes related to readmission and transit procedure and not processed in a manner that is incompatible with the purposes prescribed in this Implementing Protocol. The transferred personal data have to relate primarily to the following:

- i. the details of the person to be readmitted or the person who is subject to transit (e.g. name and surname, previous names, other names used/by which known or aliases, sex, civil status, date and place of birth, current and previous citizenship, photograph of the person concerned, fingerprints);
- ii. identity documents, driving license or travel documents (number, period of validity, date of issue, issuing authority, place of issue);
- iii. stop-overs and itineraries;
- iv. other necessary information to identify the person to be readmitted or the person who is subject to transit or to examine whether conditions for the readmission are met under the Agreement on Readmission and this Implementing Protocol;
- v. special circumstances relating to the transferee's health, including any indication that he or she is a dangerous person, for the purpose of the provision of health care or health treatment under the responsibility of a professional subject to the obligation of professional secrecy.

c) adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed;

d) accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date. Every reasonable measure must be taken to ensure that personal data that are inaccurate, having regard to the purposes for which they are processed, are erased or rectified without delay. When it becomes evident that erroneous personal data have been transmitted or personal data have been unlawfully transmitted, the competent authority of one of the Parties, upon receiving such data, shall be immediately notified thereof and shall, without delay, rectify, erase them or restrict their processing;

e) kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the personal data are processed;

f) processed and transmitted in a manner that ensures appropriate security of the personal data, including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage, using appropriate technical or organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk, including inter alia as appropriate: the pseudonymisation and encryption of personal data; the ability to ensure the ongoing confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of processing systems and services; the ability to restore the availability and access to personal data in a timely manner in the event of a physical or technical incident; a process for regularly testing, assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of technical and organisational measures for ensuring the security of the processing.

3. The competent authorities of the Parties shall ensure that data subjects shall have the right to obtain from the competent authority as to whether or not personal data concerning him or her are being processed, and, where that is the case, access to the personal data and the information about the categories of personal data concerned; the recipients or categories of recipient to whom the personal data have been or will be disclosed; the identity and the contact details of the competent authorities; the contact details of the data protection officer; the purposes of the personal data processing; the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority and the contact details thereof where possible, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, or, if not possible, the criteria used to determine that period; the existence of the right to request from the competent authority rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing of personal data concerning the data subject; where the personal data are not collected from the data subject, any available information as to their source.

4. Upon request of a natural person concerned, whose data have been transmitted pursuant to the provisions of this Implementing Protocol to the competent authority of the Party, such natural person shall be provided with the confirmation as to whether or not the personal data concerning him/her are being processed, and, where that is the case, access to the personal data and information on what data (categories thereof) have been transmitted, purpose and legal basis for their use or intended use, the recipients (categories thereof) to



whom the personal data have been transmitted, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, or, where that is not possible, the criteria used to determine that period, the right to request to rectify or erase the personal data of the data subject or restrict the processing thereof, the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority and the contact information thereof, no later than within one month after receiving the request by the competent authority. The competent authority of each Party may apply an administrative fee or refuse to act on the request if the data subject's requests are manifestly unfounded or disproportionate, in particular due to their repetitive nature.

5. A natural person, whose data have been transmitted pursuant to the provisions of this Implementing Protocol, shall have the possibility to require to have incomplete personal data concerning him/her completed or to have inaccurate personal data concerning him/her rectified, destroyed as well as to require to restrict processing of personal data in case the transmission thereof infringes the provisions of this Implementing Protocol. The competent authorities of the Parties must inform the competent authority, from which the inaccurate personal data have been received, about the rectification of inaccurate or supplementation of incomplete personal data as well as the restriction of processing of personal data due to the request of a natural person. The right of a natural person concerned to receive such information shall be governed by the legislation in force in the territory of the state of the Party, in the territory of which such request is submitted.

6. The request of a natural person concerned regarding the enforcement of his/her rights may be rejected if such rejection is necessary for ensuring the public security and national security of the Party, the prevention, investigation, detection or prosecution of criminal acts or the execution of criminal penalties and also for protecting the rights and freedoms of a data subject and other persons. The request of a natural person may also be rejected if its execution would prejudice the effectiveness of the actions or objectives pursued by the competent authorities of the Parties. Grounds for and procedure of such limitations of rights shall be provided for in the legislation in force in the territories of the states of the Parties and motives of such rejections shall be documented as well as the reply to the data subject shall be given.

7. The transmission, receipt and erasure or restriction of personal data, as well as the refusal to transmit personal data must be registered.



8. The transmission of personal data shall require the specification of time limits for the storage of such data as provided in the legislation in force in the territories of the states of the Parties, upon expiry of which the transmitted personal data must be immediately destroyed. In case personal data becomes no longer necessary for the purpose for which they have been transmitted prior to aforementioned time limits, or in case of termination of the Agreement on Readmission or this Implementing Protocol, such personal data must be immediately destroyed. In such case, the competent authority of the Party that has destroyed personal data shall notify thereof the other Party in writing. The Parties notify each other immediately if there is a reason to believe that the transmitted data is inaccurate, should be destroyed or the loss of data has been identified.

9. The Parties shall ensure that the national personal data protection supervisory authority, acting in accordance with the appropriate legislation in force in the territory of the states of the Parties, controls the compliance with the requirements, which are necessary for the protection of personal data provided for in the Agreement on Readmission and this Implementing Protocol. In case of violation of the right to the protection of personal data, the affected persons shall have the right to lodge a complaint to national data protection supervisory authority and the right to access to justice in accordance with the legislation applicable in the territory of the state of the respective Party.

10. If the competent authority of one of the Parties becomes aware of a personal data breach, it will inform the competent authority of the other Party as soon as possible and in coordination with the mentioned competent authority use reasonable and appropriate means to remedy the personal data breach and minimise the potential adverse effects.

## **Article 12**

### **Notification**

The Parties, through diplomatic channels, shall notify each other of any changes concerning the contact details and the list of the competent authorities specified in Article 1 of the Implementing Protocol as well as the border crossing points specified in Article 2 of the Implementing Protocol.

### **Article 13**

#### **Entry into Force, Termination and Amendments**

1. The Implementing Protocol shall be concluded for an indefinite period of time. The Parties shall notify each other through diplomatic channels of the completion of internal legal procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Implementing Protocol. After the Party receives the last notification, it shall notify the Joint Readmission Committee on the conclusion of the Implementing Protocol. The Implementing Protocol shall enter into force on the date of the receipt of such notification by the Joint Readmission Committee.
2. This Protocol shall cease to be in force on the date of cessation of the Agreement on Readmission.
3. Subject to mutual written consent, the Parties may amend the Implementing Protocol. Amendments to the Implementing Protocol shall form an integral part of the Implementing Protocol and enter into force following the procedure established in Article 13, paragraph 1 of the Implementing Protocol.
4. Each Party may terminate this Implementing Protocol by notifying the other Party in writing through diplomatic channels. The Implementing Protocol shall be deemed terminated 6 months after the date of the receipt of such notification.
5. In pursuance with Article 18 of the Agreement on Readmission, the Parties shall inform the Joint Readmission Committee about the conclusion, denunciation and amendments of the Implementing Protocol and other matters related with the implementation of the Agreement on Readmission.

### **Article 14**

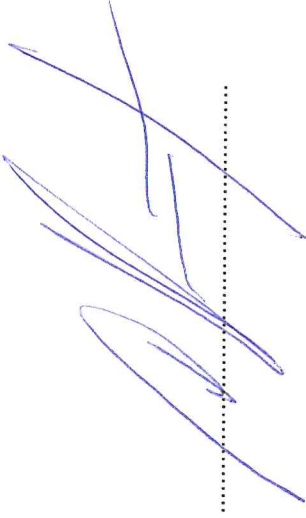
#### **Dispute Resolution**

1. Any disagreement arising from the interpretation and/or application of the Implementing Protocol shall be settled by means of consultations between the Parties within the Joint Readmission Committee.

2. Failing to settle disagreement in accordance with Article 14 paragraph 1 of the Implementing Protocol, the Parties shall settle them through diplomatic channels.

Done at ...*Podgorica*... on ...*3. July 2025*... in two original copies, each in the Lithuanian, Montenegrin and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation of the Implementing Protocol, the English text shall prevail.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA**



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