

PROTOCOL
on Mutual Recognition of Validity on the Territory of
Pridnestrovie and the Republic of Moldova of the Documents Issued
by Competent Bodies of the Parties

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Tiraspol

For the purpose of implementation of the Joint Statement of the heads of the Republic Moldova and Pridnestrovie of April 9, 2001, being guided by Memorandum provisions On the Bases for Normalization of Relations between the Republic Moldova and Pridnestrovie of May 8, 1997, Pridnestrovie and the Republic Moldova (hereinafter referred to as the Parties) have agreed as follows:

1. To recognize on the territory of Pridnestrovie and the Republic Moldova validity of the following documents which are issued by the competent bodies of the Parties:

- a. Certificates on civil registration;
- b. Identification cards and passports;
- c. Driver's licenses, certificates of vehicle and license plates' registration;
- d. Certificates of education;
- e. The documents issued and certified by notary offices;
- f. Certificates on the state registration of legal bodies;
- g. Work record cards, documents of the seniority, pension documents, and also the documents confirming the right to privileges (under condition of their validity on the territories of the Parties);
- h. Permits, licenses, certificates and other documents which are issued by corresponding bodies;

2. The documents which are issued by competent bodies of the Parties for carrying out foreign trade activities are to be agreed upon by the Parties before July 1, 2001.

Documents should contain symbols of the Parties, the internationally recognized logos and be made out in the languages used by the Parties.

The Parties in established order notify the foreign states and international organizations on the documents agreed by the Parties.

3. The documents specified above should be without fail certified by the organization or specially for that purpose authorized person within their competence under the established form.

4. Institutions of justice of the Parties submit each other upon request data on the legislation which is or was operating in their territory and on practice of its application.

5. The Parties undertake to send each other without translation and free of charge copies of records of civil registration and other documents, concerning personal or property rights, or interests of citizens of the party being requested and other persons living on its territory.

6. To propose Parliament of the Republic Moldova and the Supreme Soviet of Pridnestrovie to study issue of the order of execution on the territory of the Republic Moldova and Pridnestrovie of executive documents issued by judicial bodies of the Parties.

For Pridnestrovie
(signed) I.SMIRNOV

For the Republic Moldova
(signed) V.VORONIN