

**CONSULAR AGREEMENT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**  
**AND**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE**  
**PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, (hereinafter referred to as the  
"Contracting Parties"),**

**DESIRING** to develop their consular relations in order to facilitate the protection of the rights and interests of their nations and nationals, and to promote the friendly relations and cooperation between the two countries,

**HAVE DECIDED** to conclude this Agreement and have agreed as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**

**Definitions**

For the purposes of this Agreement, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereunder assigned to them:

- (a) "consular post" means any consulate-general, consulate, vice-consulate, or consular agency;
- (b) "consular district" means the area assigned to a consular post for the exercise of consular functions;
- (c) "consular officer" means any person, including the head of a consular post, entrusted in that capacity with the exercise of consular functions;
- (d) "national of the sending State" means an individual having the nationality of the sending State and, when applicable, a corporate body of the sending State;
- (e) "law" means for Canada: all federal and provincial laws and regulations, and municipal by-laws; and for the People's Republic of China: all laws, administrative decrees and regulations having the effect of law of the State, provinces, autonomous regions, municipalities directly under the Central Government and other localities, and ordinances and subordinate legislation of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.