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The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Argentine Republic in Canberra and has the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), signed on 2 November 2011, between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Argentine Republic on a Work and Holiday visa arrangement.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has the further honour to note that the Department of Immigration and Border Protection wishes to propose a reciprocal increase to the current cap on the Work and Holiday visa arrangement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Argentine Republic, from 500 places per programme year to 700 places per programme year. The Department of Immigration and Border Protection proposes that the expanded cap for the programme commence on 1 July 2015, to align with Australia's 2015-16 programme year, which runs from 1 July through to 30 June.

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection has the honour to convey the Government of Australia's continued appreciation of, and support for, the opportunity to strengthen people-to-people links and positive bilateral relations between our two countries.

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection kindly awaits a diplomatic note indicating the Government of the Argentine Republic's agreement to the proposed reciprocal increase to the cap on the annual Work and Holiday visa arrangement and advice of any further matters for discussion. The contact officer at the Department of Immigration and Border Protection is Ms Sarah Fuller, Director of Working Holiday Policy Section, ph: (02) 6264 2035, email: sarah.fuller@immi.gov.au.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Argentine Republic in Canberra the assurances of its highest consideration.



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The Embassy of the Argentine Republic in Canberra presents its compliments to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection—Working Holiday Policy Section—and has the honour to make reference to Note 14/AMD/15 of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, dated 18 December 2014, a copy of which is attached as a reference, regarding your proposal to reciprocally increase the current cap on the Work and Holiday visa arrangement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Argentine Republic, from 500 places per programme year to 700 places per programme year, commencing on 1 July 2015.

The Embassy wishes to express its appreciation for this opportunity to keep on strengthening the positive bilateral relationship between our two countries and, in this regard, wishes to convey the Government of the Argentine Republic's agreement to the proposed reciprocal increase to the cap on the annual Work and Holiday visa arrangement between both Governments, from 500 places per programme year to 700 places per programme year, commencing on 1 July 2015

The Embassy of the Argentine Republic avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection – Working Holiday Policy Section- the assurances of its highest consideration.

Canberra, 20 February 2015

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