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of Georgia on the Readmission of Persons Residing without Authorisation

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED  
KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE  
GOVERNMENT OF GEORGIA ON THE READMISSION OF PERSONS  
RESIDING WITHOUT AUTHORISATION**

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Georgia (hereinafter separately referred to as the “Party” and jointly referred to as the “Parties”).

DETERMINED to strengthen their cooperation in order to combat illegal immigration more effectively,

DESIRING to establish, by means of this Agreement and on the basis of reciprocity, rapid and effective procedures for the identification and safe and orderly return of persons who do not, or no longer, fulfil the conditions for entry into, presence in, or residence on the territories of the United Kingdom or Georgia, and to facilitate the transit of such persons in a spirit of cooperation,

EMPHASISING that this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights, obligations and responsibilities of the United Kingdom and Georgia arising from International Law and, in particular, from the European Convention of 4 November 1950 for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and the Convention of 28 July 1951 on the Status of Refugees as amended by the Protocol of 31 January 1967,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

**Definitions**

For the purpose of this Agreement:

- (a) ‘National of Georgia’ shall mean any person who holds the citizenship of Georgia;
- (b) ‘National of the United Kingdom’ shall mean any person who is a United Kingdom national with the right of abode in the United Kingdom, as determined by the law of the United Kingdom;
- (c) ‘Third-country national’ shall mean any person who holds a nationality other than that of the United Kingdom or Georgia;
- (d) ‘Stateless person’ shall mean any person who does not hold a nationality of any State;

- (e) 'Residence permit' shall mean a permit of any type issued by the United Kingdom or Georgia entitling a person to reside on its territory. This shall not include temporary permissions to remain on its territory in connection with the processing of an asylum application or an application for a residence permit;
- (f) 'Visa' shall mean an authorisation issued or a decision taken by the United Kingdom or Georgia which is required with a view to entry into, or transit through, its territory. This shall not include airport transit visas;
- (g) 'Requesting State' shall mean the State (the United Kingdom or Georgia) submitting a readmission application pursuant to Article 7 or a transit application pursuant to Article 14 of this Agreement;
- (h) 'Requested State' shall mean the State (the United Kingdom or Georgia) to which a readmission application pursuant to Article 7 or a transit application pursuant to Article 14 of this Agreement is addressed;
- (i) 'Competent Authority' shall mean any national authority of the United Kingdom or Georgia entrusted with the implementation of this Agreement in accordance with Article 19 (1)(a) thereof;
- (j) 'Transit' shall mean the passage of a third-country national or a stateless person through the territory of the Requested State while travelling from the Requesting State to the country of destination;
- (k) 'Border region' shall mean an area which extends up to 5 kilometres from the territories of seaports including custom zones, and international airports of the United Kingdom and Georgia.
- (l) 'The United Kingdom' shall include the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the territory of Gibraltar, for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.

## SECTION I

### **READMISSION OBLIGATIONS BY GEORGIA**

#### ARTICLE 2

##### **Readmission of own nationals**

1. Georgia shall readmit, upon application by the United Kingdom and without further formalities other than those provided for in this Agreement, all persons who do not, or who no longer, fulfil the conditions in force for entry into, presence in, or residence

on, the territory of the United Kingdom provided that it is proved, or may be validly assumed on the basis of prima facie evidence furnished, that they are nationals of Georgia.

2. Georgia shall also readmit:

- (a) minor unmarried children of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1, regardless of their place of birth or their nationality, unless they have an independent right of residence in the United Kingdom; and
- (b) spouses, holding another nationality, of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1, provided they have the right to enter and stay or receive the right to enter and stay in the territory of Georgia, unless they have an independent right of residence in the United Kingdom.

3. Georgia shall also readmit persons who have been deprived of, or who have forfeited or renounced the nationality of Georgia since entering the territory of the United Kingdom, unless such persons had at least been promised naturalisation by the competent authorities of the United Kingdom.

4. After Georgia has given a positive reply to the readmission application, the competent diplomatic mission or consular office of Georgia shall, irrespective of the will of the person to be readmitted, immediately and no later than within 3 working days, issue the travel document required for the return of the person to be readmitted with a period of validity of 90 days. If Georgia has not, within 3 working days, issued the travel document, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the UK standard travel document for expulsion purposes.

5. If, for legal or factual reasons, the person concerned cannot be transferred within the period of validity of the travel document that was initially issued, the competent diplomatic mission or consular office of Georgia shall, within 3 working days, extend the validity of the travel document or, where necessary, issue a new travel document with a period of validity of the same duration. If Georgia has not, within 3 working days, issued the new travel document or extended its validity, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the UK standard travel document for expulsion purposes.

### ARTICLE 3

#### **Readmission of third-country nationals and stateless persons**

1. Georgia shall readmit, upon application by the United Kingdom and without further formalities other than those provided for in this Agreement, all third-country nationals or stateless persons who do not, or who no longer, fulfil the conditions in force for entry into, presence in, or residence on, the territory of the United Kingdom provided that it is proved, or may be validly assumed on the basis of prima facie evidence furnished, that such persons:

- (a) hold, at the time of the submission of the readmission application, a valid visa or residence permit issued by Georgia; or
  - (b) illegally and directly entered the territory of the United Kingdom after having stayed on, or transited through, the territory of Georgia.
2. The readmission obligation in paragraph 1 shall not apply if:
- (a) the third-country national or stateless person has only been in airside transit via an international airport of Georgia; or
  - (b) the United Kingdom has issued to the third-country national or stateless person a visa or residence permit before or after entering its territory unless:
    - (i) that person is in possession of a visa or residence permit, issued by Georgia, which has a longer period of validity;
    - (ii) the visa or residence permit issued by the United Kingdom has been obtained by using forged or falsified documents, or by making false statements; or
    - (iii) that person fails to observe any condition attached to the visa.
  - (c) Georgia has expelled the third-country national or stateless person to his/her state of origin or to a Third State.
3. After Georgia has given a positive reply to the readmission application, it shall immediately and no later than within 3 working days, issue a travel document for expulsion purposes to the person whose readmission has been accepted. If Georgia has not, within 3 working days, issued the travel document, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the UK standard travel document for expulsion purposes.

## SECTION II

### **READMISSION OBLIGATIONS BY THE UNITED KINGDOM**

#### ARTICLE 4

##### **Readmission of own nationals**

1. The United Kingdom shall readmit, upon application by Georgia and without further formalities other than those provided for in this Agreement, all persons who do not, or who no longer, fulfil the conditions in force for entry into, presence in, or residence on, the territory of Georgia provided that it is proved, or may be validly assumed on the basis of prima facie evidence furnished, that they are nationals of the United Kingdom.

2. The United Kingdom shall also readmit:
  - a) minor unmarried children of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1, regardless of their place of birth or their nationality, unless they have an independent right of residence in Georgia; and
  - b) spouses, holding another nationality, of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1, provided they have the right to enter and stay or receive the right to enter and stay in the territory of the United Kingdom, unless they have an independent right of residence in Georgia.
3. The United Kingdom shall also readmit persons who have been deprived of, or who have renounced, the nationality of the United Kingdom since entering the territory of Georgia, unless such persons had at least been promised naturalisation by the competent authorities of Georgia.
4. After the United Kingdom has given a positive reply to the readmission application, the competent diplomatic mission or consular office of the United Kingdom shall, irrespective of the will of the person to be readmitted, immediately and not later than within 3 working days, issue the travel document required for the return of the person to be readmitted with a period of validity of 90 days. If the United Kingdom has not, within 3 working days, issued the travel document, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the Georgian standard travel document for expulsion purposes.
5. If, for legal or factual reasons, the person concerned cannot be transferred within the period of validity of the travel document that was initially issued, the competent diplomatic mission or consular office of the United Kingdom shall, within 3 working days, extend the validity of the travel document or, where necessary, issue a new travel document with a period of validity of the same duration. If the United Kingdom has not within 3 working days issued the new travel document or extended its validity, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the Georgian standard travel document for expulsion purposes.

## ARTICLE 5

### **Readmission of third-country nationals and stateless persons**

1. The United Kingdom shall readmit, upon application by Georgia and without further formalities other than those provided for in this Agreement, all third-country nationals or stateless persons who do not, or who no longer, fulfil the conditions in force for entry into, presence in, or residence on, the territory of Georgia provided that it is proved, or may be validly assumed on the basis of prima facie evidence furnished, that such persons:
  - (a) hold, at the time of the submission of the readmission application, a valid visa or residence permit issued by the United Kingdom; or

- (b) illegally and directly entered the territory of Georgia after having stayed on, or transited through, the territory of the United Kingdom.
2. The readmission obligation in paragraph 1 shall not apply if:
- (a) the third-country national or stateless person has only been in airside transit via an International Airport of the United Kingdom; or
  - (b) Georgia has issued to the third-country national or stateless person a visa or residence permit before or after entering its territory unless:
    - (i) that person is in possession of a visa or residence permit, issued by the United Kingdom, which has a longer period of validity;
    - (ii) the visa or residence permit issued by Georgia has been obtained by using forged or falsified documents, or by making false statements; or
    - (iii) that person fails to observe any condition attached to the visa;
  - (c) the United Kingdom has expelled the third country national or stateless person to his/her state of origin or to a Third State.
3. After the United Kingdom has given a positive reply to the readmission application, it shall immediately and no later than within 3 working days, issue a travel document for expulsion purposes to the person whose readmission has been accepted. If the United Kingdom has not, within 3 working days, issued the travel document, it shall be deemed to accept the use of the Georgian standard travel document for expulsion purposes.

### SECTION III READMISSION PROCEDURE

#### ARTICLE 6

##### **Principles**

1. Subject to paragraph 2, any transfer of a person to be readmitted on the basis of one of the obligations contained in Articles 2 to 5 shall require the submission of a readmission application to the competent authority of the Requested State.
2. If the person to be readmitted is in possession of a valid travel document or identity card the transfer of such person can take place without the Requesting State having to submit a readmission application or written communication, as referred to in Article 11(1), to the competent authority of the Requested State.



3. Without prejudice to paragraph 2, if a person has been apprehended in the border region (including airports) of the Requesting State after illegally crossing the border coming directly from the territory of the Requested State, the Requesting State may submit a readmission application within 2 days following that person's apprehension (accelerated procedure).

## ARTICLE 7

### **Readmission application**

1. To the extent possible, the readmission application is to contain the following information:

- (a) the particulars of the person to be readmitted (e.g. given names, surnames, date of birth, and – where possible – place of birth, and the last place of residence) and, where applicable, the particulars of minor unmarried children and/or spouses;
- (b) in case of own nationals, an indication of the means with which proof or prima facie evidence of nationality will be provided;
- (c) in case of third-country nationals and stateless persons, an indication of the means with which proof or prima facie evidence of the conditions for the readmission of third-country nationals and stateless persons and unlawful entry and residence will be provided;
- (d) a photograph of the person to be readmitted;
- (e) fingerprints.

2. To the extent possible, the readmission application shall also contain the following information:

- (a) a statement indicating that the person to be transferred may need help or care, provided the person concerned has explicitly consented to the statement;
- (b) any other protection, security measure or information concerning the health of the person, which may be necessary in the individual transfer case.

3. A common form to be used for readmission applications is attached as Annex 5 to this Agreement.

4. A readmission application may be submitted by any means of communication, not excluding electronic means.

## ARTICLE 8

### **Means of evidence regarding nationality**

1. Proof of nationality pursuant to Article 2(1) and Article 4(1) can be furnished in particular through the documents listed in Annex 1 to this Agreement, including documents the validity of which has expired by up to 6 months. If such documents are presented, the United Kingdom and Georgia shall mutually recognise the nationality without further investigation being required. Proof of nationality cannot be furnished through false documents.

2. Prima facie evidence of nationality pursuant to Article 2(1) and Article 4(1) can be furnished in particular through the documents listed in Annex 2 to this Agreement, even if their period of validity has expired. If such documents are presented, the United Kingdom and Georgia shall deem the nationality to be established, unless they can prove otherwise. Prima facie evidence of nationality cannot be furnished through false documents.

3. If none of the documents listed in Annexes 1 or 2 can be presented, or if they are insufficient, the competent diplomatic and consular representations of the Requested State concerned shall, upon a request from the Requesting State which is included in the readmission application, make arrangements to interview the person to be readmitted without undue delay, at the latest within 4 working days from the date of receipt of the readmission application, in order to establish his or her nationality. The procedure for such interviews may be established in the implementing Protocol provided for in Article 19 of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 9

### **Means of evidence regarding third-country nationals and stateless persons**

1. Proof of the conditions for the readmission of third-country nationals and stateless persons laid down in Article 3(1) and Article 5(1) shall be particularly furnished through the means of evidence listed in Annex 3 to this Agreement; it cannot be furnished through false documents. Any such proof shall be mutually recognised by the United Kingdom and Georgia without any further investigation being required.

2. Prima facie evidence of the conditions for the readmission of third-country nationals and stateless persons laid down in Article 3(1) and Article 5(1) shall be furnished in particular through the means of evidence listed in Annex 4 to this Agreement; it cannot be furnished through false documents. Where such prima facie evidence is presented, the United Kingdom and Georgia shall deem the conditions to be established, unless they can prove otherwise.

3. The unlawfulness of entry, presence or residence shall be established by means of the travel documents of the person concerned in which the necessary visa or other residence permit for the territory of the Requesting State are missing. A statement

by the Requesting State that the person concerned has been found not having the necessary travel documents, visa or residence permit shall likewise provide prima facie evidence of the unlawful entry, presence or residence.

## ARTICLE 10

### **Time limits**

1. The application for readmission must be submitted to the competent authority of the Requested State within a maximum of 6 months after the Requesting State's competent authority has gained knowledge that a third-country national or a stateless person does not fulfil, or no longer fulfils the conditions in force for entry, presence or residence. Where there are legal or factual obstacles to the application being submitted on time, the time limit shall, upon request by the Requesting State, be extended but only until the obstacles have ceased to exist.

2. A readmission application must be replied to in writing:

- (a) within 2 working days if the application has been made under the accelerated procedure (Article 6(3)); or
- (b) within 12 calendar days in all other cases.

This time limit begins to run from the date of receipt of the readmission request. If there is no reply within this time limit, the transfer shall be deemed to have been agreed to.

3. Reasons for the refusal of a readmission request shall be given in writing.

4. After agreement has been given or, where appropriate, after expiry of the time limits laid down in paragraph 2, the person concerned shall be transferred within 3 months. On request of the Requesting State, this time limit may be extended by the time taken to deal with legal or practical obstacles.

## ARTICLE 11

### **Transfer modalities and modes of transportation**

1. Without prejudice to Article 6(2), before returning a person, the competent authorities of the Requesting State shall notify in writing at least 3 working days in advance the competent authorities of the Requested State regarding the transfer date, the point of entry, possible escorts and other information relevant to the transfer.

2. Transportation may take place by air or land. Return by air shall not be restricted to the use of the national carriers of the United Kingdom or Georgia and may take place by using scheduled or, in case of nationals of the Requested State, charter

flights. In the event of escorted returns, such escorts shall not be restricted to authorised persons of the Requesting State, provided that they are persons authorised by the United Kingdom or Georgia.

## ARTICLE 12

### **Readmission in error**

The Requesting State shall take back any person readmitted by the Requested State if it is established within a period of 6 months, and in case of third-country nationals or stateless persons 12 months, after the transfer of the person concerned, that the requirements laid down in Articles 2 to 5 of this Agreement are not met. In such cases the procedural provisions of this Agreement shall apply *mutatis mutandis* and all available information relating to the actual identity and nationality of the person to be taken back shall be provided.

## SECTION IV TRANSIT OPERATIONS

## ARTICLE 13

### **Principles**

1. The United Kingdom and Georgia should restrict the transit of third-country nationals or stateless persons to cases where such persons cannot be returned to the State of destination directly.
2. The United Kingdom shall allow the transit of third-country nationals or stateless persons if Georgia so requests, and Georgia shall allow the transit of third-country nationals or stateless persons if the United Kingdom so requests, if the onward journey in possible other States of transit and the readmission by the State of destination is assured.
3. Transit can be refused by the United Kingdom or Georgia:
  - (a) if the third-country national or the stateless person runs the real risk of being subjected to torture or to inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment or the death penalty or of persecution because of his race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political conviction in the State of destination or another State of transit;
  - (b) if the third-country national or the stateless person shall be subject to criminal sanctions in the Requested State or in another State of transit; or
  - (c) on grounds of public health, national or state security, public order or other

national interests of the Requested State.

4. The United Kingdom or Georgia may revoke any authorisation issued if circumstances referred to in paragraph 3 subsequently arise or come to light which stand in the way of the transit operation, or if the onward journey in possible States of transit or the readmission by the State of destination is no longer assured. In this case, the Requesting State shall take back the third-country national or the stateless person, as necessary and without delay.

## ARTICLE 14

### **Transit procedure**

1. An application for transit operations must be submitted to the competent authority of the Requested State in writing and is to contain the following information:

- (a) type of transit (by air or land), possible other States of transit and intended final destination;
- (b) the particulars of the person concerned (e.g. given name, surname, maiden name, other names used/by which known or aliases, date of birth, sex and – where possible – place of birth, nationality, language, type and number of travel document);
- (c) envisaged point of entry, time of transfer and possible use of escorts;
- (d) a declaration that in the view of the Requesting State the conditions pursuant to Article 13(2) are met, and that no reasons for a refusal pursuant to Article 13(3) are known of.

A common form to be used for transit applications is attached as Annex 6 to this Agreement.

2. The Requested State shall, within 5 calendar days of receipt of the application and in writing, inform the Requesting State of the admission, confirming the point of entry and the envisaged time of admission, or inform it of the admission refusal and of the reasons for such refusal.

3. If the transit operation takes place by air, the person to be readmitted and possible escorts shall be exempted from having to obtain an airport transit visa.

4. The competent authorities of the Requested State shall, subject to mutual consultations, assist in the transit operations, in particular through the surveillance of the persons in question and the provision of suitable amenities for that purpose.

5. Transit of the persons shall be carried out within 30 days of receipt of consent on the request.

SECTION V  
COSTS

ARTICLE 15

**Transport and transit costs**

Without prejudice to the right of the competent authorities to recover the costs associated with readmission from the person to be readmitted or third parties, all transport costs incurred in connection with readmission and transit operations pursuant to this Agreement as far as the border of the State of final destination shall be borne by the Requesting State.

SECTION VI  
**DATA PROTECTION AND NON-AFFECTION CLAUSE**

ARTICLE 16

**Data Protection**

1. The Parties will not use, disclose or store any information shared pursuant to this Agreement for any purpose except processing the return and readmission of persons as described in this Agreement.
2. The Parties may, for the purpose of processing the return and readmission of persons, disclose information received under this Agreement to other domestic authorities responsible for pursuing the same purpose as they carry out their official duties as required by and/or permissible under their domestic law, subject to the safeguards set out in Article 16.
3. The Parties shall ensure that information shared under this Agreement is adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purpose of this Agreement and may include:
  - (i) biographic personal information (names, date of birth, place of birth, nationality, aliases, gender and family composition);
  - (ii) document information (type of document (passport, identity card or driving licence), document number, period of validity, date of issue, issuing authority, place of issue);
  - (iii) travel itinerary;
  - (iv) other information needed to identify the person to be transferred or to examine the readmission requirements pursuant to this Agreement.

4. The Parties will share information in writing and ensure that any restrictions, conditions or special handling instructions are adequately provided with the information shared pursuant to this Agreement, where appropriate. To prevent the unauthorised access, disclosure, copying, use, modification or disposal of information received under this Agreement, the Parties will restrict access to the information to those who need it in the course of carrying out their official duties for the purpose of processing the return and readmission of persons and to use recognised security mechanisms such as passwords, encryption, or other reasonable safeguards, where appropriate. The Parties will ensure that all persons authorised to have access to information received under this Agreement are appropriately instructed on the handling and usage restrictions which apply to this information and intend to safeguard the information in a manner consistent with this Agreement.

5. Each Party will notify the other Party of any accidental or unauthorised access, use, disclosure, modification or disposal of Information received under this Agreement as quickly as possible after becoming aware of the security or privacy breach and, where possible, provide all necessary details of the accidental or unauthorised access, use, disclosure, modification or disposal of that information as soon as practicable.

6. The Parties will provide to each other the most current and accurate information available. In the event that either Party becomes aware that information being relied upon is inaccurate, it will notify the other Party immediately and provide correcting information, where available. When a Party receives correcting information, that Party will correct, annotate or dispose of inaccurate information, and any information derived from it, in accordance with its domestic laws.

7. Each Party confirms that it has in place a system by which individuals may request information about themselves that was shared under this Agreement, and, where that information is disclosable to the individual, may request a correction of that information. Each Party confirms that it has a system in place through which individuals may seek to redress or challenge a decision not to disclose their personal information to them.

8. Each Party will assess the continued relevance of the information received under this Agreement and dispose of the information securely when it is no longer relevant in accordance with its domestic laws.

9. Either Party may request assurance from the other that sufficient policy, legal or technical safeguards are being maintained with regard to the information shared under this Agreement and may request a review of the safeguards. This may include a request for a summary of how information received was used. Either Party, if it is not satisfied with this assurance, may decline to provide Information pursuant agreement pending resolution of an identified deficiency.

10. The Parties shall review the data sharing arrangements under this Agreement. The first review shall take place not earlier than one year and not later

than five years from the date of the entry into force of this Agreement, unless a change in the domestic law of one of the Parties requires an immediate review, and as the Parties mutually decide thereafter.

#### ARTICLE 17

##### **Non-affected clause**

1. This Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights, obligations and responsibilities of the United Kingdom and Georgia arising from International Law and, in particular, from:

- (a) the Convention of 28 July 1951 on the Status of Refugees as amended by the Protocol of 31 January 1967 on the Status of Refugees;
- (b) the international conventions determining the State responsible for examining applications for asylum lodged;
- (c) the European Convention of 4 November 1950 for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and its Protocols;
- (d) the UN Convention of 10 December 1984 against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment;
- (e) international conventions on extradition and transit;
- (f) multilateral international conventions and agreements on the readmission of foreign nationals, such as the Convention on International Civil Aviation of 7 December 1944.

2. Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the return of a person under other formal or informal arrangements.

#### SECTION VII **IMPLEMENTATION AND APPLICATION**

#### ARTICLE 18

##### **Joint Expert Group**

1. The Parties shall provide each other with mutual assistance in the application and interpretation of this Agreement. To this end, they shall set up a joint expert group (hereinafter referred to as “the Expert Group”) which will, in particular, have the task:



- (a) to monitor the application of this Agreement;
  - (b) to recommend amendments to this Agreement and its Annexes.
2. The Expert Group shall meet where necessary at the request of one of the Parties.

## ARTICLE 19

### **Implementing Protocol**

1. On request of the United Kingdom or Georgia, the United Kingdom and Georgia shall draw up an implementing Protocol which shall, inter alia, cover rules on:

- (a) designation of the competent authorities, border crossing points and exchange of contact points;
- (b) conditions for escorted returns, including the transit of third-country nationals and stateless persons under escort;
- (c) means and documents additional to those listed in the Annexes 1 to 4 to this agreement;
- (d) the modalities for readmission under the accelerated procedure; and
- (e) the procedure for interviews.

2. The implementing Protocol referred to in paragraph 1 shall enter into force only after the Expert Group, referred to in Article 18, has been notified.

## SECTION VIII FINAL PROVISIONS

## ARTICLE 20

### **Amendments to the Agreement**

This Agreement may be amended and supplemented by mutual consent of the Parties, which shall be drawn up in the form of separate protocols. Above-mentioned Amendments and supplements shall form an integral part of this Agreement and enter into force in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 21

**Entry into force, duration and termination**

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date of receipt of the later of the Parties' written notifications, sent through diplomatic channels, confirming completion of their internal procedures.
2. This Agreement is concluded for an unlimited period.
3. Each Party may denounce this Agreement by notifying the other Party, through diplomatic channels. This Agreement shall cease to apply 6 months after the date of such notification.

ARTICLE 22

**Annexes**

Annexes 1 to 6 shall form an integral part of this Agreement.

Done in London, this twenty-sixth day of January 2023 in duplicate, in the English and Georgian languages, both of these texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

**For the Government of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland:**

**JAMES CLEVERLEY**

**For the Government of Georgia:**

**ILIA DARCHIASHVILI**

ANNEX 1

**COMMON LIST OF DOCUMENTS THE PRESENTATION OF WHICH IS  
CONSIDERED AS PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP  
(ARTICLES 2(1), 4(1) AND 8(1))**

- passports of any kind (national passports, diplomatic passports, service passports, collective passports and surrogate passports including children's passports),
- identity cards issued by a State (including temporary and provisional ones),
- citizenship certificates and other official documents that mention or clearly indicate citizenship.

## ANNEX 2

### **COMMON LIST OF DOCUMENTS THE PRESENTATION OF WHICH IS CONSIDERED AS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF NATIONALITY (ARTICLES 2 (1), 4 (1) AND 8 (2))**

Where the Requested state is either the United Kingdom or Georgia:

- documents listed in Annex 1 whose validity has expired by more than 6 months,
- photocopies of any of the documents listed in Annex 1 to this Agreement,
- driving licenses or photocopies thereof,
- birth certificates or photocopies thereof,
- company identity cards or photocopies thereof,
- statements by witnesses,
- statements made by the person concerned and language spoken by him or her, including by means of an official test result,
- any other document which may help to establish the nationality of the person concerned.
- service books and military identity cards,
- seaman's registration books and skippers' service cards,
- *laissez-passer* issued by the Requested State.

Where the Requested State is Georgia:

- confirmation of identity as a result of a search carried out in the Visa Information System,
- positive identification established from visa application records of the United Kingdom.

ANNEX 3

**COMMON LIST OF DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED AS  
PROOF OF THE CONDITIONS FOR THE READMISSION OF THIRD-  
COUNTRY NATIONALS AND STATELESS PERSONS  
(ARTICLES 3(1), 5(1) AND 9(1))**

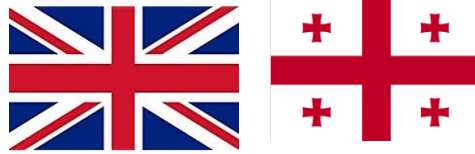
- visa and/or residence permit issued by the Requested State,
- entry/departure stamps or similar endorsement in the travel document of the person concerned or other evidence of entry/departure (e.g. photographic).

## ANNEX 4

### **COMMON LIST OF DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED AS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF THE CONDITIONS FOR THE READMISSION OF THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS AND STATELESS PERSONS (ARTICLES 3(1), 5(1) AND 9(2))**

- description issued by the relevant authorities of the Requesting State, of place and circumstances under which the person concerned has been intercepted after entering the territory of that State,
- information related to the identity and/or stay of a person which has been provided by an international organisation (e.g. UNHCR),
- reports/confirmation of information by family members, travelling companions, etc.,
- statement by the person concerned,
- information showing that the person concerned has used the services of a courier or travel agency,
- official statements made, in particular, by border authority staff and other witnesses who can testify the fact of the border crossing for the person concerned,
- official statement by the person concerned in judicial or administrative proceedings,
- documents, certificates and bills of any kind (e.g. hotel bills, appointment cards for doctors/dentists, entry cards for public/private institutions, car rental agreements, credit card receipts etc.) which clearly show that the person concerned stayed on the territory of the Requested State,
- named tickets and/or passenger lists of air, train, coach or boat passages which show the presence and the itinerary of the person concerned on the territory of the Requested State.

ANNEX 5



Reference: .....

To: .....

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(Designation of requested authority)

ACCELERATED PROCEDURE (Article 6(3))

INTERVIEW REQUEST (Article 8(3))

(2)

(3) READMISSION APPLICATION

**pursuant to Article 7 of the Agreement between the United Kingdom and Georgia**

**on the readmission of persons residing without authorisation**

**A. PERSONAL DETAILS**

Full name (underline surname):

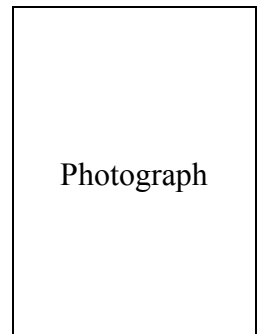
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2. Maiden name:

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3. Date and place of birth:

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4. Sex and physical description (height, colour of eyes, distinguishing marks etc.):

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5. Also known as (earlier names, other names used/by which known or aliases):

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6. Nationality and language:

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7. Civil status:  married  single  divorced  widowed

If married: name of spouse

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Names and age of children (if any)

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8. Last address in the Requested State:

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**B. PERSONAL DETAILS OF SPOUSE (IF APPROPRIATE)**

1. Full name (underline surname):

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2. Maiden name:

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3. Date and place of birth:

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4. Sex and physical description (height, colour of eyes, distinguishing marks etc.):

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5. Also known as (earlier names, other names used/by which known or aliases):

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6. Nationality and language:

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**C. PERSONAL DETAILS OF CHILDREN (IF APPROPRIATE)**

1. Full name (underline surname):

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2. Date and place of birth:

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3. Sex and physical description (height, colour of eyes, distinguishing marks etc.):

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4. Nationality and language:

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**D. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO THE TRANSFEREE**

1. State of health

(e.g. possible reference to special medical care; Latin name of contagious disease):

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2. Indication of particularly dangerous person

(e.g. suspected of serious offence; aggressive behaviour):

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**E. MEANS OF EVIDENCE ATTACHED**

1.

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(Passport No.)	(date and place of issue)
.....	.....
(issuing authority)	(expiry date)

2.

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(Identity card No.)	(date and place of issue)
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(issuing authority)	(expiry date)

3.

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(Driving licence No.)	(date and place of issue)
.....	.....
... (issuing authority)	(expiry date)

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(Other official document No.)	(date and place of issue)
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... (issuing authority)	(expiry date)

**F. OBSERVATIONS**

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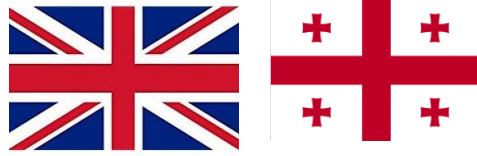
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(Signature) (Seal/stamp)

ANNEX 6



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(Designation of requesting authority)

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(Place and date)

Reference

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To  
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(Designation of requested authority)

**TRANSIT APPLICATION**

**pursuant to Article 14 of the Agreement between the United Kingdom and Georgia on the readmission of persons residing without authorisation**

**A. PERSONAL DETAILS**

1. Full name (underline surname):

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2. Maiden name:

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3. Date and place of birth:

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4. Sex and physical description (height, colour of eyes, distinguishing marks, etc.):

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5. Also known as (earlier names, other names used/by which known or aliases):

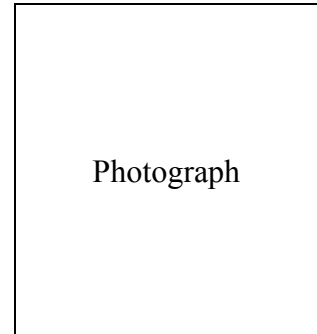
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6. Nationality and language:

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7. Type and number of travel document:

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**B. TRANSIT OPERATION**

1. Type of transit:

by air

by land

2. State of final destination:

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3. Possible other States of transit:

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4. Proposed border crossing point, date, time of transfer and possible escorts:

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5. Admission guaranteed in any other transit State and in the State of final destination (Article 13, paragraph 2):

yes

no

6. Knowledge of any reason for a refusal of transit (Article 13 paragraph 3):

yes

no

**C. OBSERVATIONS**

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(Signature) (Seal/stamp)

**Joint Declaration concerning Articles 3(1) and 5(1)**

The Parties agree that a person is 'entering directly' from the territory of Georgia within the meaning of these provisions if such person arrived on the territory of the United Kingdom without having entered a third country in between, or, where the Requested State is the United Kingdom, arrived on the territory of Georgia, without having entered a third country in between. Airside transit stays in a third country shall not be considered as entry.

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