CEFTA

Proposal for a Cultural Exchange Free Trade Agreement

PROPOSAL

A Cultural Exchange Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA) would permit temporary visits for the purposes of cultural exchange by acknowledged experts in traditional arts among countries participating in this agreement.

It would seek to separate cultural exchange visits from commercial visits, by setting criteria to distinguish the two. Examples of such criteria might be: limited-time visits, income ceilings, verification as traditional artist, and limited number of performers (for example, a soloist and accompanist)..

Cultural exchange would be facilitated by low visa fees, quick turnaround for approval of a visa, recordkeeping of approved cultural exchanges in order to facilitate future applications, and flexibility for the visiting experts to add qualified engagements as needed.

Please return signatures for compilation and submission. Thank you!

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