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PEARLETTE LOUISY,
Governor-General.

December 8, 2014.

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An Act to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap.8.01 to facilitate travel by a citizen of a Protocol Member State by exempting the need for a visitor's driving permit, and for related matters.

[22nd December, 2014]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Assembly and the Senate of Saint Lucia, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2014.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, “principal Act” means the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap. 8.01.

Amendment of section 2

3. Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following definitions in the correct alphabetical sequence -

“ ‘citizen of a Protocol Member State’ means a person, other than a citizen of Saint Lucia, who is a citizen of a Member State of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States that is a party to the Protocol of the Eastern Caribbean Economic Union;

‘Protocol of the Eastern Caribbean Economic Union’ means the Protocol of the Eastern Caribbean Economic Union to the Treaty of Basseterre establishing the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States Economic Union;

‘Treaty of Basseterre establishing the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States Economic Union’ means the Treaty of Basseterre establishing the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States Economic Union done at Castries on the 18th June 2010;”.

Insertion of section 30A

4. The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 30 the following new section -

“Exemption of driving permit for Citizens of Protocol Member States

“30A. (1) A citizen of a Protocol Member State who holds a valid driver’s licence that confirms his or her nationality issued by a Protocol Member State shall, while such licence remains valid, be exempted from any requirement to obtain a visitor’s driving permit to drive in Saint Lucia.

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- (2) A person to whom subsection (1) applies shall only be entitled to drive a motor vehicle in Saint Lucia of the category for which he or she holds an authorisation to drive in the Protocol Member State in which his or her driver's licence was issued.
- (3) Subsection (1) shall not apply to a person who becomes a citizen of a Protocol Member State under an economic or honorary citizenship programme of that Protocol Member State, unless such programme is comparable to an economic or honorary citizenship programme in force in Saint Lucia and approved as such by the Minister responsible for external affairs.”.

Passed in the House of Assembly this 28th day of October, 2014.

PETER I. FOSTER,
Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Passed in the Senate this 6th day of November, 2014.

CLAUDIUS J. FRANCIS,
President of the Senate