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The Department of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Republic of Argentina and has the honour to refer to a telephone enquiry on 28 April 1998 concerning South Africa's visa policy towards Argentine nationals.

Please be informed that the visa exemption policy of South Africa towards Argentine nationals was a unilateral decision of the South African Government and not based on a reciprocal agreement. However, proposals for a bilateral visa agreement have on numerous occasions been presented by South Africa to the Argentine Government, both through the Embassy as well as through the South African Embassy in Buenos Aires.

Presently, Argentine nationals are exempted from visa requirements for bona fide holiday and business visits not exceeding 90 days.

The Department of Foreign Affairs avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Republic of Argentina the assurance of its highest consideration.

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