



EMBASSY OF ITALY  
NEW DELHI

NOTE VERBALE 100/685

The Embassy of Italy presents its compliments to the Ministry of External Affairs of the Union of India and, in connection to its Note Verbale n. 1883/sec(W)2013 dated 14<sup>th</sup> March 2013, has the honor to remind the Ministry of External Affairs of the obligations relating to the protection of diplomatic agents enshrined in the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18<sup>th</sup> April 1961 ("The Convention"), to which both Italy and India are Parties including in particular arts 29 and 31 para 1.1. Any restriction to the freedom of movement of the Ambassador of Italy to India including any limitation to his right of leaving the Indian territory, will be contrary to the International Obligations of the receiving State to respect his person, freedom, dignity and function.

The Embassy of Italy expects therefore that the Ministry of External Affairs will ensure full compliance with the privileges and immunities contemplated in the Convention, and provide reassurance that no Indian Authority shall impose or implement restrictive measures on the personal freedom of His Excellency the Ambassador.

Furthermore the Embassy of Italy is confident that the Ministry of External Affairs shall adopt whenever necessary any measure aimed at protecting the personal safety of His Excellency the Ambassador, of the Diplomatic and Administrative Personnel, and the security of the premises of the Italian and Diplomatic mission in New Delhi as well as those of the Italian consular mission in Mumbai and Kolkata.

The Embassy of Italy in India avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Ministry of External Affairs of the Union of India its highest consideration.

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