Emergency Government Ordinance no. 109

of December 11\textsuperscript{th} 2013

for the completion of Emergency Government Ordinance no. 194/2002 regarding the regime of aliens in Romania

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Whereas the current context demands the stringent adoption of all adequate measures meant to provide the premises for the economic development of Romania,

Considering the potential of tourism, investments, business, university and scientific environments of Romania, which can be optimally employed economically by attracting tourists, investors, business persons, researchers and foreign students,

Taking into account the numerous requests for the facilitation of the visa regime, made especially by business persons on a bilateral level,

Whereas delaying the granting of such facilities would result in significant negative financial and public image effects for Romania,

Considering the major and immediate advantages that instituting equal treatment by our country for bearers of visas and other residence permits issued by Schengen Member States would have,

Anticipating the long-term beneficial effects that the simplification of the status of alien travels in Romania would have, in multiple fields,

By virtue of the fact that these represent extraordinary situations, whose regulation cannot be postponed,

On the grounds of art. 115 para. (4) from the Constitution of Romania, republished,

The Government of Romania hereby adopts the present Emergency Ordinance.

Art. I – A new article no. 128\textsuperscript{2} is introduced after article 128\textsuperscript{1} of Emergency Government Ordinance no. 194/2002 regarding the regime of aliens in Romania, as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, no. 421 of June 5\textsuperscript{th} 2008, with its later amendments and completions, with the following content:

"Art. 128\textsuperscript{2} - Facilities for the entry on the territory of Romania of third state nationals holders of documents issued by Schengen Member States"
(1) Third state nationals, holders of uniform visas valid for at least two or multiple entries, of long-stay visas, or of residence permits, other than those provided for in art. 128 para. (1), issued by Schengen Member States, can enter the territory of Romania for the purpose of an uninterrupted stay or of multiple stays the duration of which cannot exceed 90 days throughout any 180 day period prior to each day of stay in Romania, without requiring a short-stay visa, should the documents presented be valid, and the authorized number of entries and the duration of stay not be exhausted.

(2) The duration of stay on the territory of Romania cannot exceed the right of stay granted through the uniform visas, through the long-stay visas or the residence permits specified under para. (1).

Art. II – This Emergency Government Ordinance shall enter into force on February 1st 2014.

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