



## **Special Legal Alert:**

Mutual recognition of visa regimes between Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan

## Dear friends,

We would like to notify you that Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan have agreed on the mutual recognition of visa regimes by Silk Road countries. This will allow foreign tourists visiting Kazakhstan to enter Uzbekistan without hindrance, and vice versa. In the future, other countries of the Silk Road - Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan can join the mutual exchange of visas.

The parties signed the agreement at the first inter-regional forum of Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan, which was held in Shymkent at the initiative of the heads of two states.

Following the results of the forum, the heads of regions of the two countries signed 16 documents on the implementation of joint projects. KazTransGas JSC and Uztransgaz JSC signed an agreement on transportation of natural gas through the territory of Uzbekistan. KTZ Express JSC and Uzavtotranstekhnika Research and Production Center have agreed to establish a joint venture.

The Foreign Trade Chamber of Kazakhstan and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Uzbekistan reported that the first trading house of the Akmola region would open in January 2019 in Tashkent. In the future, the possibility of building a trading house of Uzbekistan in the territory of Akmola region is being considered.

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