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From: Gurudev Tagore, Indian Cultural Centre, Embassy of India, Mexico City

To: Ministry of Human Resources Development, New Delhi

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Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman, UGC and Dr. S.N. Puri, President, AIU

**Shri R.P. Sisodia Joint Secretary (Higher Education) from
N. Balasubramaniyan, Counselor and Director, GT ICC**

This is in continuation of letter No. MEX/CUL/495/01/2012 dated March 5, 2013, addressed to Shri Ashok Thakur, Secretary, Department of Higher Education, by Ambassador Sujan R. Chinoy. I am also enclosing a copy of our *Note Verbale* dated February 28, 2013, requesting the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the United Mexican States, to share with us details of collaborative tie-ups and MOUs concluded by the universities and institutions of higher learning (tertiary education) in Mexico, with their counterpart universities/institutions in India, to enable this Embassy update its record. I will likewise appreciate your sharing with us, information readily available with the Department of Higher Education in this behalf.

2. I am also enclosing a copy of a circular communication bearing number DGECI/OFI/0068/2013 dated March 6, 2013, received by Ambassador from the Director General of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), along with a free translation thereof done at our end, conveying, for the guidance of Indian students, requirements of visa for international students coming to study in Mexico. In essence, this means that any Indian student coming to study in Mexico is required to obtain an appropriate student visa of the desired duration. You may like to give due publicity to it through your channels.

Regards,

N. Balasubramaniyan

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National Autonomous University of Mexico

Circular DGECI/OFI/0068/2013
Subject: Migration Notification

H.E. Mr. Sujan R. Chinoy
Ambassador of India to Mexico

As you would be aware in 2011 the new Immigration Act came into force and new guidelines issued thereunder were published recently.

This communication is being addressed to you, with a view to explain certain provisions of the new law. Pursuant to Articles and Sections I and V (37, 40 and 52) and Fractions I and VIII of the Migration Act and Articles 104 and 108 of Section IX of the Rules framed under the Migration Act, we share with you the following, for the guidance of your student-nationals who come to study in the UNAM:

A foreigner coming for stay in Mexico up to 180 days does not require a student visa **only if** there is a specific bilateral agreement with Mexico for visa exemption. In all other cases the student must apply for visa to the appropriate Embassy or Consulate. In either case, the student will be able to pursue his studies with any recognized educational institution in Mexico under the Multiple Migratory System.

If a foreigner comes for stay longer than 180 days, he would necessarily require a student visa, regardless of nationality and will have to obtain a 'Green Card' under the Multiple Migratory System.

I should like to draw your attention specifically to the provision that does not enable any foreigner to change the purpose of visit to studying in Mexico as a student. It is therefore important to apply for and obtain a proper student visa prior to arrival in Mexico, for the required period of study correctly. You may advise prospective students to visit <http://www.global.unam.mx/es/estud-ext/guia-internacion.html> for detailed information.

I will be grateful if you could share this information with the concerned authorities of your country, that you consider appropriate. I take this opportunity to extend to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sd/-

Ing, Armando Lodigiani Rodríguez
Director General
(March 6, 2013)