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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND
NORTHERN IRELAND
and
DENMARK**

**Exchange of Notes concerning the reciprocal abolition of
visas. London, 20 March 1947**

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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET
D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
DANEMARK**

**Echange de notes relatif à la suppression réciproque des visas.
Londres, 20 mars 1947**

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No. 168. EXCHANGE OF NOTES¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE GOVERNMENT OF DENMARK CONCERNING THE RECIPROCAL ABOLITION OF VISAS. LONDON, 20 MARCH 1947

No. 1

Mr. C. R. Attlee to Count Eduard Reventlow

FOREIGN OFFICE

20th March, 1947

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform your Excellency that, as a first step towards the eventual restoration of freedom of travel to Danish and British territories, His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom are prepared to conclude with the Government of Denmark an agreement in the following terms:—

- (1) Danish subjects shall be free to travel from any place whatever to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance provided that they are furnished with valid Danish passports.
- (2) Holders of valid passports bearing, on the cover, the inscription "British Passport" and, inside, the description of the holder's national status as "British subject" shall be free to travel from any place whatever to Denmark without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance.
- (3) It is understood that the waiver of the visa requirement does not exempt Danish and British subjects coming respectively to the United Kingdom and to Denmark from the necessity of complying with the British and the Danish laws and regulations concerning the entry, residence (temporary or permanent) and employment or occupation of foreigners, and that travellers who are unable to satisfy the immigration authorities that they comply with these laws and regulations are liable to be refused leave to enter or land.

¹ Came into force on 22 March 1947, by the exchange, and according to the terms, of the said notes.

- (4) As regards travel to Danish or British colonies and overseas territories, protectorates or territories under mandate or trusteeship, it is understood that visas will continue to be required.

2. If the Danish Government are prepared to accept the foregoing provisions I have the honour to suggest that the present note and your Excellency's reply in similar terms should be regarded as placing on record the agreement between the two Governments, which shall take effect on 22nd March, 1947.

I have, &c.

(Signed) C. R. ATTLEE

No. 2

Count Eduard Reventlow to Mr. C. R. Attlee

ROYAL DANISH LEGATION

London, 20th March, 1947

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note of to-day's date informing me that, as a first step towards the restoration of freedom to travel to Danish and British territories, His Britannic Majesty's Government are prepared to conclude with the Government of Denmark an agreement in the following terms:—

[*As in Note No. 1*]

2. In reply, I have the honour to inform you that, on 13th instant, the competent Danish authorities abolished the necessity of Danish visas for British subjects. The Danish Government are therefore all the more willing to conclude an agreement with His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom for the reciprocal abolition of United Kingdom visas for Danish subjects.

3. On instructions from my Government I have therefore the honour to confirm the provisions set out in your note, which, with the present reply, shall be regarded as placing on record the agreement reached between the two Governments.

I have, &c.

(Signed) E. REVENTLOW