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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
FRANCE**

Exchange of Notes constituting an agreement relating to passport visa fees. Washington, 20 November and 10 December 1946

English and French official texts communicated by the Permanent Representative of the United States of America at the seat of the United Nations. The registration took place on 21 June 1948.

**ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE
et
FRANCE**

Echange de notes constituant un accord relatif au tarif des visas de passeports. Washington, 20 novembre et 10 décembre 1946

Textes officiels anglais et français communiqués par le représentant permanent des Etats-Unis d'Amérique au siège de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 21 juin 1948.

No. 242. EXCHANGE OF NOTES¹ CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND FRANCE RELATING TO PASSPORT VISA FEES. WASHINGTON, 20 NOVEMBER AND 10 DECEMBER 1946

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The Secretary of State to the French Ambassador

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of the French Republic and has the honor to refer to a conversation between Mr. Strauss and a member of the Department regarding the conclusion of an agreement between the Government of the French Republic and the United States Government relating to visa fees for nonimmigrants who are nationals of either country, to take the place of the present agreement.²

It is understood that effective January 1, 1947, the French authorities will collect the following fees for the visa of a valid American passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering France or any of its possessions: (1) transit visa valid for a stay not exceeding fifteen days, 325 francs; (2) visa valid for a stay for a period of sixteen days to one year, 400 francs; and (3) visa valid for a stay exceeding one year, 1200 francs.³

The United States authorities will, on a corresponding basis, collect the following fees for the visa of a valid French passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering the United States or any of its possessions: (1) transit visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, not to exceed sixty days, \$2.75; and (2) a non-immigrant passport visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, subject to extension by such authorities without charge, \$3.50.

¹ Came into force on 10 December 1946, by the exchange of the said notes.

² United States, *Executive Agreement Series* 125; 52 Stat. 1513.

³ This visa corresponds to a United States immigration visa. An immigration visa fee of \$10.00 is collected by United States authorities in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Act of 1924, as amended (43 Stat. 153).

It will be appreciated if the Department may be informed whether the French Government is agreeable to the adoption of the foregoing schedule of visa fees for nonimmigrants who are bearers of French passports or American passports, in order that appropriate instructions may be sent to American diplomatic and consular officers.

Department of State
Washington, November 20 1946

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L'Ambassade de France au Département d'Etat

AMBASSADE DE FRANCE AUX ÉTATS-UNIS
SERVICE CONSULAIRE

No. 557 SCA—4—1

Washington, le 10 décembre 1946

L'Ambassade de France présente ses compliments au Département d'Etat et a l'honneur de lui faire savoir que son gouvernement a accepté la proposition contenue dans la note du Département d'Etat en date du 20 novembre, concernant un accord de réciprocité sur le tarif des visas de passeports.

Il est entendu qu'à partir du 1er janvier 1947, les autorités françaises appliqueront le tarif suivant pour les visas apposés sur des passeports américains valables pour la personne pour laquelle il a été délivré et les membres de sa famille immédiate y mentionnés, se rendant en France ou dans un territoire français:

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| (1) Visa de transit valable 15 jours au maximum: | 325 francs |
| (2) Visa d'entrée valable 16 jours à 1 an: | 400 francs |
| (3) Visa d'entrée valable plus d'un an: | 1200 francs |

Les autorités américaines, réciproquement, appliqueront le tarif suivant pour les visas apposés sur des passeports français valables pour la personne pour laquelle il a été délivré et les membres de sa famille immédiate y mentionnés, se rendant aux Etats-Unis ou dans un territoire américain:

Le Département d'Etat serait heureux de savoir si le Gouvernement français accepte le tarif indiqué ci-dessus pour les visas accordés aux non-immigrants porteurs d'un passeport français ou d'un passeport américain, afin que les instructions nécessaires puissent être données aux agents des services diplomatique et consulaire des Etats-Unis.

Département d'Etat

Washington, le 20 novembre 1946

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The French Embassy to the Department of State

TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION¹

December 10, 1946

The French Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to advise that its Government has accepted the proposition contained in the note of the Department of State under date of November 20, regarding an agreement between American and French Governments relative to the fee of passports visas.

It is understood that effective January 1, 1947 the French authorities will collect the following fees for the visa of a valid American passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering France or any of its possessions:

- (1) transit visa valid for a stay not exceeding fifteen day, 325 francs;
- (2) visa valid for a stay for a period of sixteen days to one year, 400 francs;
- (3) visa valid for a stay exceeding one year, 1200 francs.

The United States authorities will, on a corresponding basis, collect the following fees for the visa of a valid French passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering the United States or any of its possessions:

¹ Translation by the Government of the
United States of America.

¹ Traduction du Gouvernement des Etats-
Unis d'Amérique.

- (1) transit visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, not to exceed sixty days, \$2.75;
- (2) a non-immigrant passport visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, subject to extension by such authorities without charge, \$3.50;
- (3) visa valid for more than one year (immigrant visa), \$10.00./.

The French Embassy seizes this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

Department of State
Washington, D.C.
