BELGIUM and SWEDEN

Exchange of letters constituting an agreement concerning the abolition of passport visas in the relations between the two countries. Stockholm, 20 March 1947

French official text communicated by the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations. The registration took place on 17 August 1949.

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Echange de lettres constituant un accord concernant la suppression du visa des passeports dans les relations entre les deux pays. Stockholm, 20 mars 1947

Texte officiel français communiqué par le représentant permanent de la Belgique auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 17 août 1949.

Translation — Traduction

No. 522. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF BELGIUM AND SWEDEN CONCERNING THE ABOLITION OF PASSPORT VISAS IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. STOCKHOLM, 20 MARCH 1947

No. 1

No. 860/38

Stockholm, 20 March 1947

Sir.

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Belgian Government is prepared to put the following measures into effect as from 1 April next:

- (1) Swedish subjects holding valid passports may enter Belgium freely without being required to obtain a visa beforehand.
- (2) Belgian subjects may enter Sweden freely without being required to obtain a visa beforehand, provided that they hold valid Belgian passports.
- (3) It is understood that exemption from the requirement to obtain a visa does not relieve Swedish and Belgian subjects proceeding to Belgium and Sweden respectively from the obligation to comply with the Belgian and Swedish laws and regulations concerning the entry and residence (temporary or permanent) of aliens and the obtaining by aliens of paid employment, and that persons unable to prove to the competent authorities that they satisfy the requirements of these laws and regulations may be refused permission to enter.
- (4) It will still be necessary to obtain a Belgian visa before entering the Belgian Congo or Ruanda-Urundi.

This agreement may come into force by an exchange of letters.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) Vicomte Alain du PARC

His Excellency Mr. Östen Undén Minister of Foreign Affairs etc., etc., etc. Stockholm.

² Came into force on 20 March 1947, by the exchange of the said letters.

No. 2

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Stockholm, 20 March 1947

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note dated today informing me that the Belgian Government is prepared to put the following measures into effect as from 1 April next:

[See letter No. 1]

I have the honour to inform you that my Government for its part is in agreement with yours on the above-described arrangement.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) Östen Undén

His Excellency the Vicomte du Parc Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Belgium

etc.