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and
ICELAND**

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I

*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Icelandic Minister
for Foreign Affairs*

AMERICAN LEGATION,
REYKJAVIK, ICELAND

No. 822

October 1, 1947

Excellency:

Pursuant to instructions from my Government, I have the honor to propose that the Government of Iceland and the Government of the United States enter into an agreement according to which each Government will, unless special circumstances exist, hereafter reciprocally issue visas to temporary visitors valid for a period of twenty-four months. It is suggested that this procedure enter into effect on December 1, 1947. This change, it should be noted, would not disturb the arrangement² between the two Governments whereby all non-immigrant passport visa fees are waived on a reciprocal basis.

Should the Government of Iceland accept the foregoing proposal, the affirmative reply of Your Excellency shall constitute, together with this note, the agreement of the two Governments in this matter.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

William C. TRIMBLE
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

His Excellency Bjarni Benediktsson
Minister for Foreign Affairs Reykjavik

¹ Came into force on 9 December 1947, by the exchange of the said notes, and, according to their terms, became operative on 1 January 1948.

² The following information is provided by the Department of State of the United States of America (*Treaties and Other International Acts Series 2031*, p. 1, footnote 1): "Dated Nov. 3 and Dec. 21, 1925, and June 11, 19, and 21, 1926; not printed."

II

*The Icelandic Minister for Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé
d'Affaires ad interim*

UTANRÍKISRÁÐUNEYTIÐ¹
REYKJAVÍK

No. 189

December 9th, 1947

Monsieur le Chargé d'Affaires,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note of October 1st 1947 in which you propose that the Government of Iceland and the Government of the United States enter into an agreement according to which each Government will, unless special circumstances exist, hereafter reciprocally issue visas to temporary visitors valid for a period of twenty-four months.

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Iceland accepts the foregoing proposal and that your note and the present reply shall constitute the agreement of the two Governments in this matter. At the same time it is suggested that this procedure enter into effect on January 1st 1948.

It is understood that the present agreement will not disturb the arrangement between the two Governments whereby all non-immigrant passport visa fees are waived on a reciprocal basis.

Accept, Monsieur le Chargé d'Affaires, the renewed assurances of my high consideration.

Bjarni BENEDIKTSSON

Mr. William C. Trimble
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim
of the United States of America
Reykjavík

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