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*The Minister for External Affairs of Australia  
to the Consul-General of Norway*

Canberra, A.C.T.  
19th October, 1951

File No. 1522/41/21

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to previous correspondence regarding visas and visa fees, and to inform you that the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia is prepared to conclude with the Government of Norway, an agreement in the following terms :

1. Norwegian nationals possessing valid Norwegian passports, who desire to enter Australia whether temporarily or permanently, and whose entry into Australia has been approved, will receive visas for Australia, free of charge, from the appropriate visa-issuing authority; such visas, in the case of Norwegian nationals proceeding to Australia for purposes other than permanent residence, will be made valid for a period of twelve months and good for an unlimited number of journeys to Australia within that period.

2. Australian citizens, possessing valid Australian passports, who desire to enter Norway as bona fide non-immigrants may enter Norway for periods of less than two months without obtaining a visa.

3. The present agreement shall take effect one month from the date hereof.

4. Either of the parties may at any time give to the other party written notice of its desire to terminate the Agreement. The Agreement shall be terminated three months after the date of such notice.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is understood :

(a) That the above mentioned provisions do not exempt Norwegian nationals entering Australia, and Australian citizens entering Norway from the

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 19 November 1951, one month after the exchange of the said notes in accordance with paragraph 3.

necessity of complying with the Australian and Norwegian Laws and regulations concerning the entry, residence whether temporary or permanent, and employment of aliens; and

(b) That travellers who are unable to satisfy the respective immigration authorities that they comply with the laws and regulations referred to in the immediately preceding sub-paragraph are liable to be refused permission to enter or land.

If the foregoing provisions are acceptable to your Government, I have the honour to suggest that the present Note, and your confirmatory reply thereto be deemed to constitute and evidence the agreement reached between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Signed) R. G. CASEY  
Minister of State for External Affairs

The Consul-General for Norway,  
4 Bridge Street,  
Sydney, N.S.W.

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*The Consul-General of Norway to the Minister  
for External Affairs of Australia*

ROYAL NORWEGIAN CONSULATE-GENERAL

Sydney, N.S.W.  
19th October, 1951

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of today's date regarding visas and visa fees in which you inform me that the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia is prepared to conclude an Agreement with the Government of Norway in the following terms :—

[See note I]

I am authorised by the Norwegian Government to state that the Norwegian Government agrees to the foregoing provisions, and to the suggestion that your Note and this reply should be regarded as constituting and evidencing the Agreement reached between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Signed) S. KLINGENBERG

The Rt. Hon. R. G. Casey, C.H., S.D.O., M.C.  
Minister for External Affairs  
Canberra