### No. 1750

## BELGIUM and FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Exchange of notes constituting an agreement concerning the reciprocal granting of free visas to officially recognised Belgian and German journalists. Brussels, 27 March and 1 April 1952

Official texts: French and German.

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## BELGIQUE

et

## RÉPUBLIQUE FÉDÉRALE D'ALLEMAGNE

Échange de notes constituant un accord concernant l'octroi réciproque du visa gratuit aux journalistes belges et allemands dont la qualité est officiellement reconnue. Bruxelles, 27 mars et 1<sup>er</sup> avril 1952

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#### [Translation — Traduction]

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I

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AND EXTERNAL TRADE

Directorate General C
2nd Directorate
4th Section — 6th Bureau P
No. 2202/Pr/All.

Brussels, 27 March 1952

The Department of Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Brussels, following the visit of Mr. Kassler to this Department on 13 March 1952, that the competent Belgian authorities are prepared to issue visas free of charge to German journalists officially recognized as such.

Under the legal provisions governing the scales of consular fees in Belgium, however, certain chancellery transactions may be effected free of charge or at a specified reduction in fees only in virtue of an arrangement for reciprocity.

In consequence, if this proposal is acceptable to the German authorities, the present note and a note from the Embassy stating that German visas will be issued free of charge to Belgian journalists will be regarded as constituting the agreement on reciprocity in question.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 April 1952 by the exchange of the said notes. This agreement is not applicable to the territories of the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

II

# EMBASSY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY Passport Division

Brussels, 1 April 1952

#### Note verbale

The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, in acknowledging the receipt of the *note verbale* of 27 March of this year, has the honour to inform the Belgian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and External Trade that German visas will be issued free of charge to recognized Belgian journalists.

The note verbale of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, together with this reply, will be regarded as confirming the agreement on reciprocity.

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