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BELGIAN EMBASSY

D. 251/1 No. 932

Lima, 2 May 1957

Your Excellency,

I have the honour, on the instructions of my Government, to inform you that the Belgian Government is prepared, with a view to promoting relations between Belgium and Peru, to conclude an agreement with the Peruvian Government based on the following provisions:

- (1) Belgian nationals holding a valid passport may enter Peru by any route and from any country, and remain for a period not exceeding *three months*, without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance.
- (2) Belgian nationals wishing to remain in Peru for a period exceeding three months must apply to the competent Peruvian diplomatic or consular authority for the required visa before departure.
- (3) Peruvian nationals holding a valid passport may enter Belgium by any route and from any country, and remain for a period not exceeding *three months*, without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance.
- (4) Peruvian nationals wishing to remain in Belgium for a period exceeding three months must apply to a Belgian diplomatic or consular officer of the career service for a temporary residence visa for Belgium before departure.
- (5) It is agreed that the waiver of the visa requirement shall not exempt Belgian and Peruvian nationals visiting Peru and Belgium respectively from the necessity of complying with local laws and regulations concerning the entry, sojourn, residence and exit of aliens and the granting of authorization to them to carry on an independent or salaried gainful occupation.
- (6) The Belgian and Peruvian authorities reserve the right to refuse admission to their respective territories to nationals of the other country whom they regard as undesirable.
- (7) This agreement shall not apply to the Belgian Congo or to territories at present under Belgian trusteeship. Possession of a Belgian visa shall continue to be a requirement for entry into the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

¹ Came into force on 1 June 1957, in accordance with the terms of the said letters. This Agreement is not applicable to the territories of the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

- (8) This agreement shall apply solely to Belgian and Peruvian nationals, excluding nationals of the Colony and Trust Territories, i.e. Congolese Belgian subjects and indigenous inhabitants of Ruanda-Urundi.
 - (9) This agreement shall come into force on 1 June 1957.

Each of the Parties may suspend it temporarily for reasons of public order, and the suspension shall be notified to the other Party immediately through the diplomatic channel.

Either Party may denounce this agreement on one month's notice.

If the Peruvian Government is prepared to conclude an arrangement with the Belgian Government in conformity with the foregoing provisions, the present note and the Ministry's reply in similar terms shall constitute the arrangement between the two Governments.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) F. DE RIDDER Ambassador of Belgium

His Excellency Dr. Manuel Cisneros Sanchez Minister of Foreign Affairs Lima

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No. (D): 6-6/12

Lima, 3 May 1957

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note No. 932 of 2 May 1957 in which you stated that the Belgian Government was prepared, with a view to promoting relations between Peru and Belgium, to conclude an agreement with the Peruvian Government based on the following provisions:

[See letter I]

The Peruvian Government is in agreement with the foregoing provisions and the proposed arrangement is therefore concluded by virtue of this note.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) Manuel CISNEROS SANCHEZ

His Excellency Mr. Frederic de Ridder Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belgium Lima