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and
ICELAND**

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I

The American Ambassador to the Icelandic Minister for Foreign Affairs

AMERICAN EMBASSY

No. 87

Reykjavik, June 4, 1956

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 of America enter into an agreement according to which, unless special circumstances exist, each Government will hereafter reciprocally issue visas valid for a period of forty-eight months to temporary visitors who are nationals of our respective countries, and according to which each Government will revalidate up to a total period of validity of forty-eight months temporary visitors' visas, previously issued to such nationals, which are about to expire or will have expired less than twelve months before the date of revalidation.

It is suggested that this procedure enter into effect on August 1, 1956. This agreement, it should be noted, would supersede the agreement effected by exchange of notes at Reykjavik on October 1, 1947, and December 9, 1947,² but would not disturb the arrangement dated November 3 and December 21, 1925, and June 11, 19 and 21, 1926³ between the two Governments whereby all non-immigrant passport visa fees are waived on a reciprocal basis.

¹ Came into force on 4 June 1956 by the exchange of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 82, p. 31.

³ Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

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.

John J. Muccio

His Excellency Dr. Kristinn Gudmundsson
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Reykjavik

II

The Icelandic Minister for Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

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REYKJAVIK

No. 36

June 4, 1956

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of today's date, which reads as follows :

[See note I]

In reply, I have the honour to confirm that the Icelandic Government agrees to this proposal and to the suggestion that Your Excellency's Note and this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kristinn GUDMUNDSSON

His Excellency John J. Muccio
Ambassador of the United States of America
Reykjavik

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