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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
EL SALVADOR**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement relating to
free entry privileges of foreign service personnel.
Washington, 18 March and 9 May 1958**

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**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'octroi
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I

The Acting Secretary of State to the Salvadoran Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

March 18, 1958

Sir :

I have received the Ambassador's note of February 14, 1958,² referring to the termination of the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Consular Rights between our two Governments³ and asking whether actual provisions of United States law or the present policies of this Government would permit the continuation of customs free entry privileges for consular officers of El Salvador.

In the absence of applicable treaty provisions, it is the practice of this Government, on a basis of reciprocity, to accord customs free entry privileges to all foreign career personnel, both officers and employees, at diplomatic and consular posts.

In this regard, the Government of the United States is prepared to conclude an agreement with the Government of El Salvador providing, on a basis of reciprocity, that all American and Salvadoran diplomatic and consular officers of career and members of their families living with them, as well as employees of the sending state, specifically appointed or assigned by the sending state to serve in its respective diplomatic or consular offices, who are nationals of the sending state and not engaged in any other occupation for gain in the country of the other, and who are not normally resident within the territory of the receiving state, shall be

¹ Came into force on 9 May 1958 by the exchange of the said notes.

² Not printed by the Department of State of the United States of America.

³ League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. CXXXIV, p. 207.

extended free entry privileges upon arrival to take up their duties and upon return from leave spent abroad, as well as the privilege of free importation of articles intended for their personal use at any time during official residence, provided the importation of such articles is not prohibited respectively by the laws of the United States and El Salvador.

If the foregoing proposal is agreeable to the Government of El Salvador, the Government of the United States will consider this note and your reply note concurring therein as concluding an agreement between our respective Governments on this subject.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my high consideration.

For the Acting Secretary of State :

William P. SNOW

Señor Dr. Don Roberto E. Quirós
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of El Salvador

II

The Salvadoran Ambassador to the Secretary of State

EMBAJADA DE EL SALVADOR¹
WASHINGTON

May 9, 1958

Excellency :

I have the honour to refer to the note of the Department of State dated March 18, 1958 concerning the continuation of customs free entry privileges for Consular Officers.

The above mentioned matter was brought to the attention of Your Excellency in the note of this Embassy of February 14, 1958, due to the termination of the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Consular Rights between our two Governments on February 7, 1958.

In the above mentioned note of the Department of State it is said substantially that the Government of the United States is prepared to conclude an agreement with the Government of El Salvador providing, on a basis of reciprocity, that all nationals of the United States of America and of El Salvador who are "diplomatic and consular officers of career and members of their families living with them, as well as employees of the sending State, specifically appointed or assigned by the sending State to serve in its respective diplomatic or consular offices, who are nationals of the sending State and not engaged in any other occupation for gain

¹ Embassy of El Salvador.

in the country of the other, and who are not normally resident within the territory of the receiving State, shall be extended free entry privileges upon arrival to take up their duties and upon return from leave spent abroad, as well as the privilege of free importation of articles intended for their personal use at any time during official residence, provided the importation of such articles is not prohibited respectively by the laws of the United States and El Salvador.”

I have been specifically instructed by my Government to accept in all its parts the above mentioned proposal of Your Excellency's Government and, as suggested in the note of the Department of State under reply, the agreement between our two Governments will be regarded as concluded by means of the exchange of communications consisting of the note of the Department of State of March 18, 1958 and the present note which embodies the acceptance of my Government.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Héctor David CASTRO

His Excellency John Foster Dulles
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.