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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Buenos Aires, 9 May 1959

Your Excellency :

I have the honour to inform you with sincere satisfaction that, as the result of the conversations held between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Embassy, it has been decided to waive the requirement of a consular visa for Belgian nationals wishing to enter the Republic as tourists, under the following conditions :

(1) Belgian nationals, and their wives and minor children, holding valid Belgian passports, may enter the territory of the Argentine Republic by any route and from any country, without the necessity of obtaining a consular visa.

(2) Belgian nationals who travel to the Argentine Republic in the conditions specified in the preceding paragraph may remain in the country for a period of three months, which may be extended by a further period of three months by the National Immigration Service, and may leave and enter the country freely during this period. This exemption does not apply to persons wishing to remain in the Republic for a period of more than six months of the year, who must first obtain a diplomatic or consular visa, as the case may be.

(3) It is agreed that the waiver of the visa requirement shall not exempt Belgian nationals visiting Argentina from the necessity of complying with the local laws and regulations concerning the entry, sojourn and residence of aliens. Such persons may not conduct business, carry on gainful activities, take employment or engage in paid occupations.

(4) The Argentine authorities reserve the right to prohibit the entry to their territory of nationals whom they consider undesirable.

(5) This exemption shall apply only to Belgian nationals, excluding Belgian subjects with Congolese status and subjects of the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi.

¹ Came into force on 1 July 1959, in accordance with paragraph 6 of the said letters. This Agreement is not applicable to the territories of the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

(6) This exemption shall enter into force as of 1 July 1959. It may be suspended temporarily for reasons of public order and the suspension shall be notified immediately through the diplomatic channel. This agreement may be denounced on one month's notice.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) [illegible]

His Excellency Dr. Conrad Seyfert
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the Kingdom of Belgium
Buenos Aires

II

No. 2164/1410.

Buenos Aires, 9 May 1959

Your Excellency,

It is with particular satisfaction that I have the honour to inform you that, as the result of the conversations which this Embassy has held with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Belgian Government has decided to waive the requirement of a consular visa for Argentine nationals wishing to enter Belgium as tourists, under the following conditions :

(1) Argentine nationals, and their wives and minor children, holding a valid Argentine passport, may enter the territory of Belgium by any route and from any country, without the necessity of obtaining a consular visa.

(2) Argentine nationals who travel to Belgium under the conditions specified in the preceding paragraph may remain in the country for a period of three months and may enter and leave the country freely during this period.

(3) It is agreed that the waiver of the visa requirement shall not exempt Argentine nationals visiting Belgium from the necessity of complying with the local laws and regulations concerning the entry, sojourn and residence of aliens. Such persons may not conduct business, carry on gainful activities, take employment or engage in paid occupations.

(4) The Belgian authorities reserve the right to prohibit the entry to their territory of nationals whom they consider undesirable.

(5) This exemption shall not apply to the Belgian Congo or to territories at present under Belgian Trusteeship. Possession of a Belgian visa shall continue to be required for entry into the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

(6) This exemption shall enter into force as of 1 July 1959. It may be suspended temporarily for reasons of public order, and the suspension shall be notified immediately through the diplomatic channel. This agreement may be denounced on one month's notice.

I have the honour to be, etc.

C. SEYFERT
Ambassador Extraordinary
and Plenipotentiary of Belgium

His Excellency Dr. Carlos A. Florit
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Buenos Aires