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**BELGIUM
and
SPAIN**

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the grant of free passport visas for visits of more than
three months. Madrid, 11 September 1959**

Official texts: French and Spanish.

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**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à la déli-
vrance, à titre gratuit, des visas de passeports pour des
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Enregistré par la Belgique le 12 novembre 1959.

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

No. 4956. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN BELGIUM AND SPAIN CONCERNING THE GRANT OF FREE PASSPORT VISAS FOR VISITS OF MORE THAN THREE MONTHS. MADRID, 11 SEPTEMBER 1959

I

Madrid, 11 September 1959

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Belgian Government is prepared to accede to the request of the Spanish Government and to abolish on a reciprocal basis the consular fees for passport visas still payable by Belgian and Spanish nationals intending to stay in Spain and Belgium respectively for periods exceeding three months.

With effect from 1 October 1959, visas for temporary residence will be issued free of charge to Spanish nationals proceeding to Belgium with the intention of staying for periods exceeding three months.

The present letter and your reply in similar terms will be deemed to constitute the formal agreement between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, etc.

Viscount BERRYER
Ambassador of Belgium

His Excellency Mr. Fernando María de Castiella
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Madrid

¹ Came into force on 1 October 1959, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters. This Agreement is not applicable to the Territories of the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi.

II

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Madrid, 11 September 1959

Your Excellency,

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

[*See letter I*]

I have the honour to inform you that the Spanish Government concurs with the foregoing and, for its part, declares that, with effect from 1 October 1959, the Spanish authorities will issue visas free of charge to Belgian subjects for periods of stay exceeding three months.

I have the honour to be, etc.

Fernando María DE CASTIELLA

His Excellency the Viscount Berryer
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belgium
Madrid
