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I

LÉGATION DE BELGIQUE²

Ref: 980/-142

Manila, February 17, 1960

Excellency,

With reference to the exchange of views between the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Royal Belgian Legation concerning the abolition of non-immigrant passport visa fees, I have the honour to propose that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium agree, by exchange of notes, to the reciprocal abolition or waiver of non-immigrant passport visa fees for the citizens of either country visiting the territory of the other for business or pleasure for a period not exceeding 59 days.

I further propose that this agreement be made effective as of March 16, 1960, and that it remains in force unless altered or terminated as a result of mutual consultation.

If the Government of the Republic of the Philippines is prepared to accept the foregoing proposals, I have the honour to suggest that this note and Your Excellency's confirmatory reply thereto should be deemed to constitute and evidence the agreement reached between our two Governments in this matter.

It should be mentioned that as far as the Kingdom of Belgium is concerned this agreement applies only to the territory in Europe.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Albert Nijs
Envoy Extraordinary
and Minister Plenipotentiary of Belgium

His Excellency Felixberto M. Serrano
Secretary of Foreign Affairs
Manila

¹ Came into force on 16 March 1960, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

² Legation of Belgium.

II

Manila, February 17, 1960

Excellency :

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note of February 17, 1960, which reads as follows :

[*See note I*]

I am further pleased to inform Your Excellency that the proposals set forth in your above-quoted Note are acceptable to my Government and that my Government agrees that your Note together with this reply shall be regarded as constituting an agreement reached between our two Governments in this matter.

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

Felixberto M. SERRANO
Secretary of Foreign Affairs
of the Republic of the Philippines

His Excellency Albert Nijs
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary
Belgian Legation
Pasay City
