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The Ambassador of Iran to Canada to the Secretary of State for External Affairs

IMPERIAL EMBASSY OF IRAN
OTTAWA

March 10, 1961

Excellency,

I have the honour to propose, on instructions from my Government, that an Agreement be concluded between the Government of Iran and the Government of Canada for the modification of the visa requirements for non-immigrant entry into our two countries on the following terms :

(1) Iranian visa-issuing officers will grant visas, free of charge, valid for an unlimited number of entries to Iran within a period of one year, with a minimum of delay and formality, to Canadian citizens who are bona fide non-immigrants in possession of Canadian passports which are valid for the period of the visa. Transit visas will be granted to Canadian citizens whose passports are valid for at least one month beyond the period of transit.

(2) Canadian visa-issuing officers will grant visas, free of charge, valid for an unlimited number of entries to Canada within a period of one year, with a minimum of delay and formality, to Iranian subjects who are bona fide non-immigrants in possession of valid Iranian passports.

(3) The one-year period of validity of the visas mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 refers only to the period during which the bearers may seek repeated admissions at Canadian or Iranian ports of entry and not to the duration of stay which may be authorized by the appropriate Canadian or Iranian Immigration Authorities at the time of each entry. The period of stay in either country will be governed in accordance with the legislation and regulations in effect in each country. An extension of the period of stay may be granted by the appropriate authorities of either country, and, when granted, shall be without charge.

¹ Came into force on 9 April 1961, thirty days after the exchange of notes, in accordance with the provisions thereof.

(4) It is understood that this Agreement does not exempt Canadian citizens and Iranian subjects coming respectively to Iran and Canada from the necessity of complying with the laws and regulations of the country concerned regarding entry, residence (temporary or permanent), and employment of foreigners, and that persons who are unable to satisfy the Immigration authorities that they comply with these laws and regulations are liable to be refused entry.

(5) Either Government may suspend the Agreement temporarily for reasons of security or public order, and the suspension shall be notified immediately to the other Government through the diplomatic channel; on the cessation of such suspension, similar notification will be given.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Canada, I have the honour to suggest that this Note and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall come into force thirty days after the date of your Note and which shall remain in force until two months after the date of the receipt of a Note of termination by either Government.

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

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The Hon. Howard C. Green, P.C., Q.C.
Secretary of State for External Affairs
Ottawa

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the Ambassador of Iran to Canada

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Ottawa, March 10, 1961

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of March 10, 1961, proposing an agreement between the Government of Iran and the Government of Canada for the modification of the visa requirements for non-immigrant entry into our two countries.

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the proposals contained in your Note under reference are acceptable to the Canadian Government and to confirm that your Note and this reply constitute an Agreement between our

two Governments which shall come into force thirty days from the date of this Note and which shall remain in force until two months after the date of the receipt of a Note of termination by either Government.

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

Howard GREEN

His Excellency Mahmoud Esfandiary
Ambassador of Iran
Ottawa, Ontario