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I

From the High Commissioner of Ireland in Great Britain to the Icelandic Minister at London

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR IRELAND

LONDON, S.W. 1

Ref. 57/2237/47.

19th May, 1949

Excellency,

With reference to previous correspondence (No. 31 P2) regarding the abolition of the Visa requirement on Passports, I have the honour to inform you that I am now authorised by the Irish Government to conclude an Agreement with the Government of Iceland on the following lines :

(1) Icelandic citizens proceeding to Ireland shall not be required to obtain a Visa precedent to entry into Ireland, provided they hold valid Icelandic Passports;

(2) Irish citizens proceeding to Iceland shall not be required to obtain a Visa precedent to entry into Iceland, provided they hold valid Irish Passports;

(3) It is agreed that the abolition of the Visa requirement on Passports does not dispense Icelandic citizens and Irish citizens, proceeding to Ireland and Iceland respectively, from the obligation of complying with Irish and Icelandic laws and regulations regarding entry, short sojourn, residence or employment of aliens;

(4) This agreement shall not affect the rights of the competent authorities of the two countries to refuse admission to, or expel, any person who may be regarded as undesirable, or who cannot satisfy the said authorities that they comply with the laws and regulations referred to under paragraph (3) above;

(5) This Agreement will come into operation on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

¹ Came into force on 1 June 1949, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of the said notes.

If the Icelandic Government are prepared to accept the foregoing provisions, I have the honour to suggest that the present note and Your Excellency's reply in similar terms should be regarded as placing on record the Agreement between the two Governments.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

John W. DULANTY
High Commissioner

II

From the Icelandic Minister at London to the High Commissioner of Ireland in Great Britain

Sendirád Islands.
Ref. : 31 P.2.

London, 20th May, 1949

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note dated 19th May—reference 57/2237/47—informing me that the Irish Government is willing to conclude an Agreement with the Government of Iceland regarding the abolition of the visa requirements on passports on the following lines :

[See note I]

The provisions set forth above are acceptable to the Icelandic Government and I therefore, on behalf of my Government, have the honour to state that your Note and the present reply constitute an Agreement on the abolition of Visa requirements between Iceland and Ireland.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Stefan THORVARDSSON
Icelandic Minister