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## EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BE-TWEEN FINLAND AND BELIZE CONCERNING THE ABOLI-TION OF VISAS AND FEES FOR VISAS

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The Chargé d'affaires a.i. of Finland in London to the High Commissioner of Belize in London

London 3rd July, 1989

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that, with a view to facilitate travelling between Finland and Belize, The Government of Finland is prepared to conclude with the Government of Belize an Agreement on the following terms:

### AGREEMENT BETWEEN FINLAND AND BELIZE CONCERNING THE ABOLITION OF VISAS AND FEES FOR VISAS

#### Article 1

Citizens of Belize holding valid passports of Belize shall be free to enter Finland at any authorised border-crossing point and to stay in Finland for a period not exceeding three months without being required to obtain a visa. This period of three months shall be calculated from the date of entry into any Nordic State being a Party of the Convention of 12 July, 1957, on the Waiver of Passport Control at the Intra-Nordic Borders.<sup>2</sup> Any sojourn in any of those States during six months preceding the entry into any of those States from a non-Nordic state shall be included in the above period of three months.

#### Article 2

Citizens of Finland holding valid Finnish passports shall be free to enter Belize at any authorised border-crossing point and to stay in Belize for a period not exceeding three months without being required to obtain a visa.

#### Article 3

It is understood that the waiver of the visa requirements does not exempt persons benefiting under this agreement from the necessity of complying with the laws and regulations in force in the respective country concerning entry, residence — temporary or permanent — and work.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force by the exchange of letters, with effect from 1 August 1989, in accordance with the provisions of the said letters. <sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 322, p. 245.

#### Article 4

The authorities of each country reserve the right to refuse permission to enter and stay in the country to citizens of the other country considered undesirable.

#### Article 5

The authorities of each country undertake to readmit without formality, into its territory, any of its citizens.

#### Article 6

Either Government may temporarily suspend the foregoing provisions in whole or in part, except Article 5 thereof, for reasons of public order. Such suspension shall be notified immediately to the other Government through diplomatic channels.

### Article 7

The present Agreement shall enter into force on 1 August 1989. The Agreement may be denounced by either Government by notification in writing the denunciation taking effect one month after the date of the notification.

If the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Belize, I have the honour to suggest that the present letter and Your Excellency's reply shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments in this matter.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

SEPPO KAUPPILA Chargé d'affaires a.i.  $\Pi$ 

The High Commissioner of Belize in London to the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of Finland in London

London 4th July, 1989

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 3 July, 1989, and to confirm that your letter and my reply constitute an agreement on the abolition of visas. Your letter of 3 July, 1989, is quoted below:

[See letter I]

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

EDNEY CAIN High Commissioner