

WAIVER OF VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

Exchange of notes at Berlin August 19 and 24, 1925

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Department of State files

The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Berlin, August 19, 1925

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EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to inform you that I am now authorized by my Government to conclude a reciprocal agreement to waive fees for non-immigrant visas and applications therefor on the basis proposed in the Foreign Office Note Verbale No. V. Pa. 2245 of July 31, 1925.

Accordingly, I beg to advise Your Excellency that the Government of the United States will, from September 1, 1925, collect no fee for visaing passports or executing applications therefor in the case of citizens of Germany desiring to visit the United States (including the insular possessions) who are not "immigrants" as defined in the Immigration Act of the United States of 1924;² namely,

"(1) a government official, his family, attendants, servants and employees.

"(2) an alien visiting the United States temporarily as a tourist or temporarily for business or pleasure.

"(3) an alien in continuous transit through the United States.

"(4) an alien lawfully admitted to the United States who later goes in transit from one part of the United States to another through foreign contiguous territory.

"(5) a bona fide alien seaman serving as such on a vessel arriving at a port of the United States and seeking to enter temporarily the United States solely in the pursuit of his calling as a seaman, and

¹ *Post*, p. 239.

² 43 Stat. 153.