

WAIVER OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR NETHERLANDS TERRITORY IN EUROPE

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The Ministry for Foreign Affairs to the American Embassy

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Referring to the American Embassy's Memorandum of June 12th, 1947, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Netherlands Government have decided to waive from the 15th of August next all visa requirements for American citizens who are the rightful bearers of valid American passports and who wish to proceed to the Netherlands either for a short stay or for transit.

The foregoing does not apply to the Netherlands overseas territories.

It should be well understood that otherwise the Netherlands legislation concerning sojourn, establishment and employment of foreigners in this country remains applicable to American citizens as before.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has noted with pleasure that the American Government contemplate granting to Netherlands subjects who intend to pay a temporary visit to the United States non-immigrant visas which would be valid for presentation at a port of entry at any time, or any number of times during a period of two years, provided that the passport of the applicant is valid for such period. Should the passport not be valid for the full period of two years at the time the visa is granted but later on be extended by the proper authorities for the full period of two years or more, the visa would be considered as valid for the full period of two years.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would appreciate very much if the necessary instructions to that effect could be issued as soon as possible to all American representatives concerned abroad and to learn when those instructions will come into force.

THE HAGUE, 30th July, 1947

TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY.

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