

VISA FEES

Exchange of notes at Washington September 7 and 8, 1939

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Suspended during World War II

*Replaced by agreement of July 7 and 29, 1947*¹

Department of State files

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the Secretary of State

ROYAL NORWEGIAN LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C., *September 7, 1939*

SIR:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note verbale of September 5, 1939 (811.11101 Waivers 57--) by which you have been good enough to inform me that you have taken due note of the desire of the Norwegian Government to terminate, as from September 4, 1939, the visa agreement between Norway and the United States of May 10 and July 23, 1929.²

In your note you suggest that, if it is the desire of the Norwegian Government to have a modification of the agreement just terminated in order that passport visas, issued gratis or at a small nominal fee, shall be required of American citizens entering Norway and of Norwegian citizens entering the United States as non-immigrants, you will gladly consider any proposal of this nature which the Norwegian Government may wish to make.

Referring to my note of the 3rd instant I have the honor to inform you that I submitted the contents of your note of the 5th instant to my Government, and that I have now been authorized to inform you that on a basis of reciprocity they are agreeable to your suggestion. The Norwegian Government are willing, from the day when the present proposal shall have been agreed to by the Government of the United States, not to collect any fee for visaing passports or executing application therefore, in similar cases as the United States Government do not collect any fee for visaing passports or executing application therefore in the case of citizens or subjects of Norway desiring to visit the United States (including the insular possessions).

¹ TIAS 1644, *post*, p. 563.

² *Ante*, p. 501.