

REDUCTION OF VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

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NOTA VERBALE

By notes of March 30th [29th] and 31st, 1928² exchanged between the State Department and the Royal Netherland Legation it has been agreed upon that the visa fees in case of nonimmigrants should be reduced in the case of Dutch subjects who are proceeding to the United States from \$10.00 to \$1.00 and in the case of American citizens proceeding to the Netherlands from Fl. 25.00 to Fl. 2.50.

The attention of the Foreign Office at The Hague has been drawn upon the fact that after this agreement the reciprocity is not entirely complete. In fact the Netherland visa is valid for two years and the American visa only for one year, so that in certain cases from a Netherland subject a fee twice as high should have to be taken than from an American citizen.

As the Netherlands have agreed to the final act of the Passport Convention of Geneva of 1926 where for passports and visa a validity of two years has been adopted it would be rather difficult for the Netherland Government to make a discrimination to this policy specially against citizens of the United States.

For this reason the Royal Netherland Legation has the honor to ask the State Department if it could suggest a just and equitable solution to this problem compatible with the laws and regulations of the United States.

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¹ *Post*, p. 110.

² *Ante*, p. 89.