

## WAIVER OF VISAS AND VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

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*The Swedish Minister to the Acting Secretary of State*

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The Minister of Sweden presents his compliments to the Honourable the Acting Secretary of State and, with reference to informal discussions between officials of the Visa Division of the Department of State and the Swedish Legation, has the honour to bring to the Acting Secretary's knowledge that the Swedish Government is prepared to abolish visa requirements, but not passport requirements, for American citizens traveling in Sweden. However, existing Swedish regulations which require special permission to stay in Sweden longer than three months or to take employment in Sweden will remain in force unchanged. At present the fee for such permits varies from 4 to 12 Swedish crowns, depending upon the period of validity of the permit.

The necessary steps for abolishing the visa requirements for American citizens visiting Sweden will be taken forthwith by the Swedish Government provided the United States Government is willing to waive, in respect of Swedish citizens, the fees for non-immigrant visas and applications therefor, and to extend to twenty-four months the validity of visas granted to Swedish citizens who may be considered habitual visitors to the United States for bona-fide business purposes.

The Minister would appreciate to be informed of the attitude of the American Government in this matter.

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