

REDUCTION OF VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

Exchange of notes at Washington March 29 and 31, 1928
Entered into force March 31, 1928; operative May 1, 1928
Supplemented by agreements of September 11 and 30 and December 9,
14, and 17, 1929,¹ and May 21 and June 7, 1930²
Replaced by agreement of November 12 and 13, 1931³

Department of State files

The Secretary of State to the Netherlands Minister

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON, *March 29, 1928*

SIR:

I have the honor to refer to Mr. van Hoorn's note No. 880 of March 22, 1928, proposing an agreement to reduce passport visa fees in the cases of non-immigrants, and to the conversation over the telephone between Mr. van Hoorn and the Chief of the Visa Office in which the proposition of the Netherlands Government was accepted.

Confirming the conversation just referred to, it may be stated that this Government agrees to reduce passport visa fees in the cases of Dutch subjects who are proceeding to the United States in the status of non-immigrants as defined in Section 3 of the Immigration Act of 1924,⁴ to one dollar, no fee to be collected for applications for such visas, in consideration for the granting of equal privileges to American citizens of like classification by the Netherlands Government.

American diplomatic and consular officers in the Netherlands have been advised by cablegram of the conclusion of the above agreement and have been instructed to put it into effect beginning May 1, 1928. I should appreciate

¹ *Post*, p. 97.

² *Post*, p. 103.

³ *Post*, p. 110.

⁴ 43 Stat. 154.

receiving a note from the Netherlands Legation confirming the agreement made for the completion of the Department's records.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

WILBUR J. CARR

Mr. J. H. VAN ROIJEN,
Minister of The Netherlands.

The Netherlands Counselor of Legation to the Secretary of State

THE NETHERLANDS LEGATION,
WASHINGTON, D.C., *March 31, 1928*

No. 1038

SIR:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of March 30th [29th] stating that the Government of the United States agrees to reduce passport visa fees in the cases of Dutch subjects who are proceeding to the United States in the status of non-immigrants as defined in Section 3 of the Immigration Act of 1924 to one dollar, no fee to be collected for applications for such visas, in consideration for the granting of equal privileges to American citizens of like classification by the Netherlands Government.

In return I am instructed to inform Your Excellency that the Netherlands Government will from the first of May 1928 on also reduce the passport visa fees for American subjects proceeding to the Netherlands, to the same amount above mentioned, and charge two and a half florins.

Please accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

L. G. VAN HOORN

The Honorable,
THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
Washington, D.C.