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The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Embassy of the United States of Brazil
Rio de Janeiro, October 11, 1940

No. 606

Excellency:

With reference to Your Excellency’s note No. C/75/924.81(22)(42) of April 24th last, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United States is disposed to conclude an agreement with the Government of Brazil by means of an exchange of notes providing, on a basis of reciprocity, that the diplomatic and consular representatives of the United States and the clerical personnel attached to the American Embassy and the American consular offices in Brazil, who are nationals of the United States; and that the diplomatic and consular representatives of Brazil and the clerical personnel attached to the Brazilian Embassy and Brazilian consular offices in the United States, who are nationals of Brazil, will be permitted to import, free from the payment of duties, articles for their personal use, if they are not engaged in any other private occupation for gain and if the article is not one the importation of which is prohibited, respectively, by the laws of Brazil and by the laws of the United States of America.

I would appreciate it if Your Excellency would be good enough to indicate in writing that the Brazilian Government considers the agreement concluded by this exchange of notes.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

Jefferson Caffery

His Excellency
Dr. Oswaldo Aranha
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Rio de Janeiro
Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of note no. 606, of even date, in which Your Excellency informs me that the Government of the United States of America is disposed to conclude an agreement by means of an exchange of notes, based on the principle of strict reciprocity, which would permit career and other personnel of the United States of America attached to the Embassy and accredited consular offices in Brazil, who are the nationals of the former country, and Brazilian career and other personnel attached to the Embassy and accredited consular offices in the United States of America, who are Brazilian nationals, to import, free from the payment of duties, in the countries in which they reside, any and all articles for their personal use, if they are not engaged in another occupation for the purpose of gain, and if the article is not one the importation of which is prohibited, respectively, by the laws of Brazil and by the laws of the United States of America.

2. In reply, and confirming this Ministry's note no. C/75/924.81(22)(42) of April 24 last, I take pleasure in informing Your Excellency that the Brazilian Government, agreeing with the suggestion of the Government of the United States of America, accepts the agreement in the terms expressed above and considers it concluded by the exchange of these two notes.

I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

Oswaldo Aranha

His Excellency

Mr. Jefferson Caffery

Ambassador of the United States of America