WAIVER OF VISAS AND VISA FEES
FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

Exchange of notes at Lima February 13 and March 18 and 22, 1930,
amending agreement of May 20 and July 1 and 2, 1929
Entered into force March 18, 1930
Superseded January 1, 1957, by agreement of April 6 and September 26, 1956

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The American Chargé d’Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign
Affairs

No. 170

LIMA, February 13, 1930

EXCELLENCY:

During Your Excellency’s recently enforced absence from the Foreign
Office owing to the illness from which I am so happy to learn you have recov-
ered, I discussed informally with His Excellency, the Chief Executive of the
Republic, the question of passport visas. President Leguia affirmed the Agree-
ment described in Mr. Moore’s note No. 89 of May 20, 1929, and your
reply, being note No. 36 of July 1, 1929. The President, however, informed
me of his concern regarding Bolshevik activities in Peru, as set forth in your
note No. 86 of November 28, 1929, and expressed the hope that some amend-
ment might be made in the aforesaid Agreement which would enable the
Peruvian Government the better to provide against their activities. In reply
to a report to the Department of State in this respect, Mr. Stimson expressed
himself as very pleased to co-operate with the Peruvian Government and
authorized me to offer an amendment to the Agreement of July 1st, restoring
the requirement for the visa by the appropriate Peruvian officials of the
classes of non-immigrants described on page two in my note No. 89 of
May 20, 1929, except in the case of “tourists”, it being understood that the
visas in all the classes of non-immigrants just mentioned would be given gratis
by the said Peruvian authorities.

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When I informed His Excellency the President of this proffered Amendment on the part of my Government, he expressed his appreciation and requested me to arrange the matter in that fashion with his Government through the Foreign Office. May I therefore express the hope that Your Excellency will be so kind as to affirm this Amendment and to take the necessary steps either through a Supreme Resolution or by legislation or by both to put satisfactorily into effect, the Agreement of July 1, 1929 as amended.

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

Ferdinand L. Mayer

His Excellency
Doctor Don Pedro José Rada y Gamio,
Minister of Foreign Relations,
Lima.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé d’Affaires ad interim
[TRANSLATION]

Lima, March 18, 1930

Mr. Chargé d’Affaires:

With reference to your distinguished note to this Ministry, of February 13, 1930, Number 170, on the subject of consular visas for passports, I have the honor to inform you that I have given instructions to our Embassy in Washington, D.C. to direct our Consuls in the United States of America to comply with the agreement arrived at by our respective Governments, by virtue of which, passports of tourists will not require visas, but that the passports of American citizens who travel to Peru and who do not have the character of immigrants, must be legalized free of charge.

I avail myself of this opportunity, Mr. Chargé d’Affaires, to offer once more the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

Pedro M. Oliveira

Mr. Ferdinand Mayer,
Chargé d’Affaires of the
United States of America
Lima
The American Chargé d’Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

LIMA, March 22, 1930

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency’s note of March 18, 1930, in which you were good enough to inform me that you had given instructions to the Peruvian Embassy at Washington to direct the Peruvian Consuls in the United States of America to comply with the Passport Visa Agreement arrived at between our respective Governments by virtue of this Embassy’s Note No. 89 of May 20, 1929, your Government’s Note No. 36 of July 1, 1929, my note No. 170 of February 13, 1930 and Your Excellency’s reply under acknowledgment.

In these circumstances apparently only the Peruvian Consuls in the United States of America will have been informed that the Agreement is in force. May I also ask you to be so kind as to cause similar instructions to be sent to the Peruvian Consulates outside of the United States of America.

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

FERDINAND L. MAYER

His Excellency
Pedro M. Oliveira,
Minister for Foreign Affairs.