EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN CANADA AND PORTUGAL CONCERNING NON-IMMIGRANT VISA ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES

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The Canadian Ambassador to Portugal to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Portugal

Note No. 7

Lisbon, January 24, 1958.

EXCELLENCY.

With reference to discussions between officials of this Embassy and your Ministry, I have the honour to propose, on instructions from my Government, a Non-Immigrant Visa Agreement between Canada and Portugal be concluded on the following terms:

- 1. Portuguese citizens who are bona fide non-immigrants desiring to enter Canada temporarily and who are in possession of valid passports issued by the competent Portuguese Authorities will be granted by the competent Canadian visa issuing officers, with a minimum of delay and formality, gratis non-immigrant visas valid for an unlimited number of entries into Canada during a period of twelve months from the dates of issue of such visas. The period of validity mentioned in the preceeding sentence refers only to the period during which the visas may be used to gain admission at a Canadian port of entry and not to the duration of stay authorized by the Canadian Immigration Authorities at the time of entry.
- 2. Canadian citizens who are bona fide non-immigrants and who are in possession of valid Canadian passports may visit Continental Portugal and Madeira Islands on business or pleasure or in transit for periods not exceeding two consecutive months without obtaining Portuguese diplomatic or consular visas.
- 3. It is understood however, that Canadian and Portuguese citizens coming respectively to Continental Portugal and Madeira Islands and Canada shall be subject to the laws and regulations of the country concerned regarding entry, residence (temporary or permanent) and employment or exercise of any professional activity whether remunerative or not applicable to foreigners at the date of entry.

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of Portugal, I have the honour to suggest that this Note and Your Excellency's reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall come into force on February 15, 1958 and shall remain in force until two months after notice of termination by either Government.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

DR. PHILIPPE PANNETON, Ambassador.

HIS EXCELLENCY,

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lisbon, Portugal.