

EXCHANGE OF NOTES (December 9, 1958) BETWEEN CANADA AND FINLAND  
MODIFYING THE AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 9, 1956 CONCERNING VISAS

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of State for External Affairs*

FINNISH LEGATION

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Convention between Finland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden for the abolition of passport control at the Inter-Nordic frontiers which was signed at Copenhagen on July 12, 1957 and also to the Exchange of Notes between the Government of Canada and the Government of Finland which was signed at Ottawa on December 19, 1955 and January 9, 1956\* providing for the waiving of non-immigrant visa fees. In order to apply a common policy on the requirements for visas with the other Governments parties to the Convention, the Government of Finland proposes that the following Agreement be effected between our two Governments:

1. (a) Canadian citizens who are bona fide non-immigrants in possession of valid national passports, and who enter Finland from a country which is not a party to the above Convention, may without previously obtaining Finnish visas, visit Finland for periods each not exceeding three consecutive months, less the period or periods of stay in one or more of the Nordic countries during the six month period immediately prior to the entry into Finland;
  - (b) Canadian citizens who are bona fide non-immigrants in possession of valid national passports, and who enter Finland from a country which is a party to the above Convention, may, without previously obtaining Finnish visas, visit Finland for periods of three months, less the period or periods of stay in one or more of the Nordic countries during the six month period immediately prior to entry into Finland;
  - (c) Canadian citizens under (a) above who desire to extend their visits to Finland beyond the three month period and Canadian citizens under (b) who, upon entry to Finland or during their period of stay in Finland reach a combined period of stay in all Nordic countries of three months dating from the six month period prior to entry to Finland, shall apply for residence permits in Finland.
2. Finnish citizens, who are bona fide non-immigrants (visitors, not seeking employment nor permanent residence) coming to Canada and who are in possession of valid national passports will receive from competent Canadian authorities in Finland, visas, free of charge, valid for an unlimited number of entries to Canada during the period of twelve months from the date of issue of such visas.

\* Canada Treaty Series 1956, No. 3.