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The Department of External Affairs announced today that effective January 1, Canadian visitors to the Netherlands who hold valid Canadian passports will not be required by the Netherlands authorities to be in possession of a visa provided they do not intend to remain in the Netherlands for more than three months.

This relaxation of the Netherlands visa requirements is the result of an agreement just concluded between Canada and the Netherlands under which Netherlands citizens coming to Canada from the Netherlands may receive from the Canadian Embassy at The Hague multi-entry visas, free of charge and valid for an unlimited number of entries to Canada during a period of one year from the date of issue of the visas.

The agreement in no way excupts Canadian and Netherlands citizens from the necessity of complying with the immigration and residence regulations of the Netherlands and Canada.

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