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*The Secretary of State for External Affairs to the
Ambassador of Japan to Canada.*

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Canada

No. C-26

OTTAWA, June 13, 1955.

EXCELLENCY,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Government of Canada is prepared to enter into an agreement with the Government of Japan respecting the waiving on a reciprocal basis of visa fees in accordance with the following terms:

- (1) Canadian citizens who are seeking temporary entry to Japan for a period not exceeding twelve months (visitors not seeking employment nor permanent residence) under relevant Japanese laws and regulations and who are in possession of valid Canadian passports will receive from the competent Japanese diplomatic or consular authorities in Canada, visas, free of charge, valid for an unlimited number of entries into Japan during a period of twelve months from the date of issue of such visas.
- (2) Japanese nationals who are seeking temporary entry to Canada for a period not exceeding twelve months (visitors not seeking employment nor permanent residence) under relevant Canadian laws and regulations and who are in possession of valid Japanese passports will receive from the competent Canadian diplomatic or consular authorities in Japan, visas, free of charge, valid for an unlimited number of entries into Canada during a period of twelve months from the date of issue of such visas.

The Government of Canada accepts this proposal, and agrees with the Government of Japan that your Note and this reply shall be regarded as an agreement between our two Governments. The agreements shall take effect on July 1, 1955, and shall continue in full force until thirty days from the date of receipt of a notification of its termination by either Government.

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

L. B. PEARSON.