

WAIVER OF VISAS AND VISA FEES FOR NONIMMIGRANTS

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

LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BANGKOK, *September 19, 1925*

F.O. No.-811

YOUR HIGHNESS:

Upon the exchange of Notes in this form I have the honor to inform Your Highness that the Government of the United States undertakes and agrees with the Royal Government of Siam as follows:

The Government of the United States will, from the 19 of September 1925 collect no fee for visaing passports or executing applications therefor in the case of citizens or subjects of Siam desiring to visit the United States (including the insular possessions) who are not "immigrants" as defined in the Immigration Act of the United States of 1924; ¹ namely, "(1) a government official, his family, attendants, servants, and employees, (2) an alien visiting the United States temporarily as a tourist or temporarily for business or pleasure, (3) an alien in continuous transit through the United States, (4) an alien lawfully admitted to the United States who later goes in transit from one part of the United States to another through foreign contiguous territory, (5) a bona fide alien seaman serving as such on a vessel arriving at a port of the United States and seeking to enter temporarily the United States solely in the pursuit of his calling as a seaman, and (6) an alien entitled to enter the United States solely to carry on trade under and in pursuance of the provisions of the present existing treaty of commerce and navigation;" and from the same date the Government of Siam will not require non-immigrant citizens of the United States of like classes desiring to visit Siam or its possessions, to present visaed passports.

¹ 43 Stat. 153.
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It is understood that if circumstances should arise which make it desirable for the Government of Siam to require visaed passports it may enforce such requirement two weeks after giving notice of its intention so to do to the American Diplomatic Representative in Bangkok and the agreement effected by this exchange of notes shall thereupon terminate.

I avail myself of this opportunity of renewing to Your Highness the assurance of my highest consideration.

SAMUEL S. DICKSON
American Chargé d'Affaires

His Highness
PRINCE TRAI DOS PRABANDH
His Siamese Majesty's
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Bangkok

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

FOREIGN OFFICE
BANGKOK, 19th September, 1925

MR. CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES:

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the American Legation's Note number 811 dated September 19th, 1925 and to inform you that His Majesty's Government by the exchange of notes in this form undertakes and agrees with the Government of the United States as follows:

[For terms of agreement, see U.S. note, above.]

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Mr. Chargé d'Affaires, the assurance of my high consideration.

TRAI DOS
Minister for Foreign Affairs

Monsieur SAMUEL S. DICKSON
American Chargé d'Affaires
Bangkok