

No. 1635

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

Exchange of notes constituting an arrangement relating to the waiver of certain passport visa requirements with respect to United States citizens visiting Southern Rhodesia and British subjects residents of Southern Rhodesia visiting the United States. Washington, 26 August and 13 September 1950

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD**

Échange de notes constituant un arrangement dispensant de certaines formalités de visa de passeport les citoyens des États-Unis se rendant en Rhodésie du Sud et les sujets britanniques, résidant en Rhodésie du Sud, se rendant aux États-Unis. Washington, 26 août et 13 septembre 1950

Texte officiel anglais.

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No. 1635. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN ARRANGEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND RELATING TO THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN PASSPORT VISA REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO UNITED STATES CITIZENS VISITING SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND BRITISH SUBJECTS RESIDENTS OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA VISITING THE UNITED STATES. WASHINGTON, 26 AUGUST AND 13 SEPTEMBER 1950

I

The British Ambassador to the Secretary of State

BRITISH EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

26 August, 1950

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His Majesty's Ambassador for the United Kingdom presents his compliments to the Secretary of State and has the honour to inform him that the Government of Southern Rhodesia have abolished the visa requirements for United States citizens visiting that Colony. United States citizens have in fact been able for many months to travel from any place whatever to Southern Rhodesia without the necessity of obtaining a visa.

2. His Majesty's Ambassador therefore has the honour to express the hope of the Government of Southern Rhodesia that the United States Government will, as a measure of reciprocity :—

- a) Grant to holders of valid Southern Rhodesia passports, who are eligible to enter the United States as *bona fide* non-immigrants, *gratis* visas, and
- b) Grant to those *bona fide* non-immigrants who are temporary visitors *gratis* visas valid for twenty-four months, provided that their passports remain valid for that period.

CJP

¹ Came into force on 13 September 1950 by the exchange of the said notes.

II

The Secretary of State to the British Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, September 13, 1950

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the British Ambassador and has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Embassy's Note No. 456 (26/5/44) of August 26, 1950, wherein it is stated that the Government of Southern Rhodesia has abolished the visa requirements for American citizens visiting Southern Rhodesia.

The Department of State is appreciative of the action taken by the Government of Southern Rhodesia in this matter, and has informed all American Foreign Service posts that effective immediately, British subjects who are residents of Southern Rhodesia will be granted gratis nonimmigrant passport visas, if found to be eligible to receive such visas, and in the cases of qualified temporary visitors, the visas may be valid for a maximum period of twenty-four (24) months.

HJL