

## WAIVER OF CERTAIN VISA REQUIREMENTS

*Exchange of notes at Washington September 10 and October 19,  
1948*

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*The Norwegian Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Secretary of State*

NORWEGIAN EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

No.: 257

The Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of Norway presents his compliments to His Excellency the Secretary of State and, acting upon instructions from the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has the honor to inform the Secretary that notwithstanding the exchange of notes of the 7th and the 29th of July, 1947,<sup>1</sup> according to which a visa is required for American citizens proceeding to Norwegian territory outside continental Norway, a visa will not be required for American citizens travelling to Svalbard (Spitsbergen).

Further the Secretary is informed that visa-requirements for American citizens proceeding to Jan Mayen, and the Norwegian Dependencies Bouvet Islands, Peter I's Island and Queen Maud Land are temporarily suspended.<sup>2</sup>

WASHINGTON, D.C., *September 10, 1948*

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*The Acting Secretary of State to the Norwegian Chargé d'Affaires ad interim*

The Acting Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of Norway and acknowledges the receipt of the Embassy's note No. 257 of September 10, 1948, wherein it is stated that visas will not be required for American citizens proceeding to Svalbard (Spits-

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<sup>1</sup> TIAS 1644, *ante*, p. 563.

<sup>2</sup> The Norwegian Embassy informed the Department of State on Sept. 10, 1948, that the term "temporarily suspended" means "temporarily waived".

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

*Washington, October 19, 1948.*