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Treaty Series No. 58 (1950)

Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the United Kingdom
and the Government of Switzerland

deleting Singapore and the Federation of
Malaya from the list of territories covered
by the Visa Abolition Agreement

London, 10th/11th August, 1950

*Presented by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to Parliament
by Command of His Majesty*

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE GOVERNMENT OF SWITZERLAND, DELETING SINGAPORE AND THE FEDERATION OF MALAYA FROM THE LIST OF TERRITORIES COVERED BY THE VISA ABOLITION AGREEMENT

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No. 1

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to the Swiss Chargé d'Affaires

Foreign Office, S.W. 1,

10th August, 1950.

Sir,

In my Note of 26th October, 1948,⁽¹⁾ I had the honour to inform M. de Torrenté that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom had decided to extend to Swiss citizens travelling to the territories named in the Annex to that Note the provisions of the agreement embodied in the Notes exchanged between M. Ruegger and myself on 10th June, 1947,⁽²⁾ which abolished the visa requirement for Swiss citizens travelling to the United Kingdom. Among the territories named in the said Annex were Singapore and the Federation of Malaya.

Circumstances have unfortunately recently arisen in Singapore and the Federation of Malaya which necessitate the reimposition for the time being of the visa requirement for all foreign nationals proceeding to these territories. It is with regret that I therefore have to inform you that, as from 24th August, 1950, Swiss citizens will require visas for the purpose of travelling to Singapore and the Federation of Malaya.

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to acknowledge receipt of this Note.

I have, &c.

(Sd.) ERNEST BEVIN.

No. 2

The Swiss Chargé d'Affaires to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs

The Swiss Chargé d'Affaires, *ad interim*, presents his compliments to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of his letter of 10th August regarding the reimposition of the visa requirements as from 24th August, 1950, for all foreign nationals proceeding to Singapore and the Federation of Malaya.

M. Rothenbuehler wishes to thank Mr. Bevin for his communication, contents of which has been immediately conveyed to the Federal Authorities concerned.

Swiss Legation, W. 1,
11th August, 1950.

⁽¹⁾ "Treaty Series No. 76 (1948)," Cmd. 7573.

⁽²⁾ "Treaty Series No. 43 (1947)," Cmd. 7149.