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No. 6749. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN REGARDING THE ABOLITION OF VISAS. TOKYO, 2 NOVEMBER 1962

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Her Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan

BRITISH EMBASSY

Tokyo, November 2, 1962

Monsieur le Ministre,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that, with a view to facilitating travel between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Japan, the Government of the United Kingdom are prepared to make the following arrangements with the Government of Japan :

(a) Japanese nationals holding valid Japanese passports shall be free to travel from any place whatever to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance.

(b) British subjects holding valid passports bearing on the cover the inscription "British Passport" at the top and, at the bottom, the inscription "United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland" or "Jersey" or "Guernsey and its Dependencies", and, inside, the description of the holder's national status as "British subject : Citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies" or "British subject : Citizen of the United Kingdom, Islands and Colonies", shall be free to travel from any place whatever to Japan, for a stay not exceeding six consecutive months, without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance. If, however, their object in entering Japan is to take up employment or to exercise a profession or other occupation or to engage in public entertainment (including sport) for remunerative purposes, they shall be required to obtain a visa in advance. British subjects holding passports as defined above, whose status in Japan is either diplomatic or official, shall be free to travel from any place whatever to Japan without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance, even if their stay in Japan may exceed six consecutive months.

¹ Came into force on 2 December 1962, thirty days after the exchange of the said notes, in accordance with the terms thereof.