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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KING-
DOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
COSTA RICA CONCERNING THE ABOLITION OF VISAS

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*Her Majesty's Ambassador at San José to the Minister for Foreign Affairs
of Costa Rica*

22/1 (16)

BRITISH EMBASSY

San José, 12 November, 1968

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that, with a view to facilitating travel between the United Kingdom and Costa Rica, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are prepared to conclude with the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica an agreement in the following terms:

(a) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraphs (c) and (f) below Costa Rican nationals holding valid Costa Rican 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.

(b) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraphs (c) and (f) below 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" or "Isle of Man", and, inside, the description of the holder's national status as "British subject" or "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 Costa Rica without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance and to leave Costa Rica within ninety days without being required to obtain an exit visa.

(c) The waiver of the visa requirement shall not exempt Costa Rican nationals proceeding to the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, or British subjects proceeding to Costa Rica, from the necessity of complying with

¹ Came into force on 19 December 1968, i.e. thirty days after the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.