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(By order, etc.)

D. M. FIELD,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

ENCLOSURES

(1)

Letter—from J. FERARD, Assistant Secretary, Judicial and Public Department,
India Office.

To—the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign and Political Department.
Dated—Whitehall, London, S.W., the 16th October 1917.
No.—I & P 4512/17

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Despatch from His Majesty's Consul at Christiania,
No. 95, dated 8th September 1917, with enclosure (2)
(translation of regulations) only.

From Foreign Office, dated 4th October, and enclosures (2 letters).

With reference to correspondence ending with my letter of the 4th October, J. & P. 4424/17, I forward, for information, copy of the papers noted in the margin, on the subject of the new Norwegian Passport Regulations.

SUB-ENCLOSURES

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No. 95.

SIR,

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Christiania, 8th September 1917.

I have the honour to confirm my telegram No. 25 of to-day and to transmit herewith the enclosed copy of the new Norwegian Passport Regulations, accompanied by a translation, which comes into force on the 20th instant.

As far as my information at present goes, the new regulations will apply to British subjects travelling through Norway to Sweden, Denmark and Russia, and who will thus appear to require a visa from the Norwegian Legation or Consul-General in the United Kingdom before starting on their journey.

A copy of the translation has to-day been sent to His Majesty's Minister at Christiania for his information, in case he should desire to offer any observations on the subject to the Norwegian Government.

As in the case of the new Swedish Passport Regulations, the Norwegian Regulations do not appear to make any provision for the visa of passports issued in one country and held by persons in a second country who may subsequently desire to proceed to Norway. It is thought probable that in such cases it will be necessary for the passport-holder to obtain a British visa, and then a Norwegian visa, in the second country in question before starting for Norway.

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[Enclosure No. 2 in Consul Gray's No. 95 of 8th September 1917.]
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Children over twelve years of age must have a separate passport, even if accompanying an adult.

Norwegian subjects able to prove their nationality by other papers of identity, or in some other manner, are not required to carry a passport.

2. The passport shall state the bearer's full name, profession or employment, birth place, year and day of birth, fixed domicile, nationality (in what country the bearer has the rights of a State citizen), description, and the object of visiting Norway.

3. The passport must bear, adhering to it, a good photograph of recent date of the bearer, and the stamp (official seal) of the competent authority issuing the passport. One-half of the seal must be impressed on the photograph (not on the face), and the other half on the paper of the passport.

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6. The authority referred to in paragraph 5 can refuse to grant an endorsement (visa) if it appears undesirable, owing to the alleged object of the journey or for other reasons, for the applicant to be admitted into Norway.

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9. Crews of ships arriving in Norway must be provided with passports conforming to these regulations, but need not have them endorsed (vises) in accordance with paragraph 5. Should any of the crew leave the ship here, they must at once report themselves personally to the local police who will decide according to the provisions of the Act relating to foreigners whether a certificate of having reported themselves or a residence book shall be issued to them. If not, the police can at once refuse to admit the applicant.

The officer in command on board is responsible for taking steps to see that these regulations are observed.

10. Persons arriving in Norway must at once report themselves in person to the police of the district where they pass the frontier or first enter on Norwegian soil: show their passports if required to carry one: and afford the information requested by the police. This does not however apply to the frontier traffic referred to in paragraph 8.

This report of arrival does not exempt the persons arriving from the obligation to report themselves to the police at the place of stay or destination as required by the provisions of the Foreigners Act.

11. Any person arriving in Norway who is not provided with a passport in cases where such is required, or who omits to comply with the provisions of these regulations in other respects, shall be immediately turned away.

12. The foregoing regulations do not apply to heads and members of Foreign Missions or members of their families, nor to diplomatic couriers.

On the other hand they apply to temporary couriers (including commercial couriers) unless they belong to a country for which an exception is in force in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 7.

All couriers must carry a credential for this their capacity, and a list of the messenger's packages they carry, issued by the proper competent authority, together with a statement of the total weight in kilogrammes of such packages.

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(ii)

No. 184977/330/1917/T.

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FOREIGN OFFICE,
October 4th, 1917.

Reference to previous correspondence:

Letter from Foreign Office: September 24, No. 179326.

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The Norwegian Minister presents his compliments to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and with reference to the Note which M. Vogt sent the Right Hon'ble A. J. Balfour on the 13th instant regarding the passport regulations issued by the Norwegian Government, has the honour to state that he has received a telegram from his Government which translated runs as follows:—

"Passport obligation: As the Swedish Government require visa for persons travelling through Sweden please inform Emigrant Companies that persons arriving in Norway with the object of proceeding to Russia, but who have not their passports viséed for the journey through Sweden, must be prepared that they will not be allowed to enter Norway."

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No. 98.
(183883)

Sir,

In my despatch No. 95 of the 8th instant I had the honour of forwarding to you, accompanied by a translation, a copy of the new Norwegian Passport Regulations of the 7th September, and which come into force on the 20th instant.

My despatch touched on the two questions of the necessity of visas in the case of travellers in transit, and of travellers who have already left the country in which the passport was originally issued.

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I discussed, unofficially, both these questions with the person concerned at the Norwegian Ministry of Justice, and have now the honour to confirm my telegram of to-day (No. 28), reporting additional regulations providing for subsequent endorsements, and the exemption, on certain conditions, of aliens in transit from the necessity of obtaining Norwegian visas. A copy of the full Regulations followed by amendments of paragraphs 5 and 7, are herewith enclosed, with translation of the amendments.

I have informed His Majesty's Minister accordingly.

I have, etc.,
EDWARD F. GRAY.

The Right Hon'ble A. J. Balfour, O.M., M.P., etc., Foreign Office.

Enclosure No. 2 in Consul Gray's No. 98 of 15th September 1917.
[Translation.]

Amendments of 13th September 1917 to paragraphs 5 and 7 of new Norwegian Passport Regulations of 7th September 1917.

The Norwegian Department of Justice has made the following amendments in the above regulations, under date 13th September 1917 :—

Paragraph 5, sentence 1, shall run as follows :—

"The passport shall be endorsed (vise) by the Norwegian Legation or Norwegian *consul missus* in the country of issue, or where the holder of the passport is staying".

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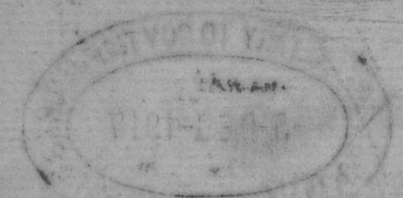
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SECRETARIAT.

(a) If a paper is marked to be printed urgently, the Superintendent of the section concerned should sign the Press slip. The Superintendent should exercise a careful discretion in the matter.

(b) Each letter, memorandum, or order, or set of orders, in the file of correspondence should be headed in succession with the Roman numeral I, II, III, etc., the number being written in red ink or blue chalk above the item. The particular papers to be printed in the special issue-copies should be indicated by the Roman numeral (I, II, etc.) by which that item has been headed in the correspondence file. All matter, including marginal remarks or references, to be printed should be written in ink and matter which should not be printed should be encircled. Initials and signatures that are not quite legible should be re-written distinctly.

(b¹) For rules regarding printing of notes, see rule 315 of the office Manual.

(c) The number of copies and the details of distribution should be filled in by the Superintendent or Referencer concerned.

(d) In the absence of special instructions to the Press to keep matter standing for a specified period, ordinary papers of 8 pages and under will be kept standing for one week, and larger papers for two weeks only. The type of notes and of all confidential papers is distributed immediately after striking.

(e) This slip, properly and completely filled in, should accompany every paper sent to Press; it will be returned by the Press when proofs are furnished; it should be sent to the Press when a call is made for revised proofs or when a corrected proof is sent for striking. When finally returned by Press it should be filed with the original order or letter.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PRESS.

(a) If, in the opinion of the Superintendent of the Press, a paper has been marked urgent unnecessarily, he should send the Press slip to the Registrar with a remark to that effect.

(b) Unless a note to the contrary is made against the matter, pencil entries should not be printed. The Superintendent of the Press may bring to the notice of the Registrar any instance of incomplete or careless editing.

(c) Signature copies or letters to the Secretary of State or to the Government of India should be printed on hand-made paper.

(d) This slip should be returned by the Press to the Secretariat when proofs are furnished; it will be sent back to the Press when proofs are returned corrected and should be finally returned to the Secretariat when struck-off copies are supplied.

(e) The names of the Secretary and Members should be printed in full when they occur on the right hand side, only the first time when they appear on the left side, the initials alone being printed later.

TO PRESS, MADRAS OOTY.

A

Please send proof in duplicate. The papers have been carefully edited.

B

Proof returned corrected. Please strike off and send number of copies as indicated.

C

As the matter is clear manuscript and has been carefully edited, (b) proof need not be sent. Please print and supply number of copies as indicated.

Type may be released after usual interval at once.

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PRESS.

Diary.	Initials of Press official.
Received in Press on.....	
First proof furnished on.....	
Call for revised proof received on.....	
Revised proof furnished on.....	
Corrected proof received for striking on.....	
Final copies supplied on.....	

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