

17 September 1987

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments concerning arrangements to facilitate travel between our two countries and to suggest that a Visa Agreement in the following terms be concluded between the Government of Thailand and the Government of New Zealand:

- Thai nationals holding valid Thai passports may enter New Zealand as temporary visitors without obtaining a visa provided their intended stay does not exceed three months.
- New Zealand citizens holding valid New Zealand passports may enter Thailand as temporary visitors without obtaining a visa provided their intended stay does not exceed three months.
- The foregoing shall not exempt Thai nationals or New Zealand citizens from the respective requirements of the New Zealand or Thailand authorities regarding entry, residence (whether temporary or permanent), exit and employment or occupation of foreigners. Persons who are unable to satisfy the respective immigration authorities that they comply with these requirements shall be liable to be refused permission to enter or land.

- These provisions shall not restrict the appropriate authorities in New Zealand or Thailand from denying entry into their territories of any persons they may consider undesirable or from temporarily suspending this Agreement for reasons of public order, health or security. Suspension of this Agreement shall be notified through the diplomatic channel.
- 5 For the purposes of the foregoing:
 - a The term "temporary visitors" in paragraphs one and two shall include business visitors but shall not include persons who enter either New Zealand or Thailand with the intention of taking up employment or of engaging in a profession or occupation; and
 - b The term "New Zealand", where used as a territorial description, shall exclude the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau.
- 6 This Agreement shall remain in force until ninety days after the date on which either party notifies the other in writing of its desire to terminate the Agreement.

If the foregoing terms are acceptable to the Government of Thailand I have the honour to propose that this letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force forty-five days after the date of Your Excellency's Note in reply.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(B M Brown)

Ambassador

His Excellency Air Chief Marshal Siddhi Savetsila
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30 September B.E. 2530 (1987).

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note dated 17 September 1987 which reads as follows:

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- 1. Thai nationals holding valid Thai passports may enter New Zealand as temporary visitors without obtaining a visa provided their intended stay does not exceed three months.
- 2. New Zealand citizens holding valid New Zealand passports may enter Thailand as temporary visitors without obtaining a visa provided their intended stay does not exceed three months.
- 3. The foregoing shall not exempt Thai nationals or New Zealand citizens from the respective requirements of the New Zealand or Thailand authorities regarding entry, residence (whether temporary or permanent),

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of New Zealand,
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- 4. These provisions shall not restrict the appropriate authorities in New Zealand or Thailand from denying entry into their territories of any persons they may consider undesirable or from temporarily suspending this Agreement for reasons of public order, health or security. Suspension of this Agreement shall be notified through the diplomatic channel.
- 5. For the purposes of the foregoing:
 - a. The term "temporary visitors" in paragraphs one and two shall include business visitors but shall not include persons who enter either New Zealand or Thailand with the intention of taking up employment or of engaging in a profession or occupation; and
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- 6. This Agreement shall remain in force until ninety days after the date on which either party notifies the other in writing of its desire to terminate the Agreement.
- 7. If the foregoing terms are acceptable to the Government of Thailand I have the honour to propose that this letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall

enter into force forty-five days after the date of Your Excellency's Note in reply."

In reply, I have the honour to state that the foregoing terms are acceptable to the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and that Your Excellency's Note and the present Note in reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force forty-five days after the date of this present Note.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Sub-Lieutenant

(Prapas Limpaphandhu)

Deputy Minister

Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs