

COFFEE (INTER-AMERICAN)

Protocol signed at Washington October 1, 1947, modifying and extending the agreement of November 28, 1940, as modified and amended

Senate advice and consent to ratification April 28, 1948

Ratified by the President of the United States May 14, 1948

Ratification of the United States deposited with the Pan American Union May 24, 1948

Entered into force October 1, 1947; for the United States May 24, 1948, operative from October 1, 1947

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PROTOCOL FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COFFEE AGREEMENT FOR ONE YEAR FROM OCTOBER 1, 1947

Whereas an Inter-American Coffee Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement") was signed in Washington on November 28, 1940:¹

And whereas by a Protocol signed in Washington April 15, 1941,² the Agreement was brought into force on April 16, 1941, in respect of the Governments on behalf of which the Protocol was signed on April 15, 1941:

And whereas Article XXIV of the said Agreement provides that it should continue in force until October 1, 1943:

And whereas by unanimous consent the Governments signatory to the Agreement twice extended the said Agreement unchanged for one-year periods, these extensions being duly attested by two certified and signed Declarations passed by the Inter-American Coffee Board on May 12, 1943 and July 25, 1944, respectively, which were duly deposited in the Pan American Union on June 11, 1943, and September 11, 1944, respectively, in accordance with the provisions of Article XXIV of the Agreement:

And whereas by a Protocol signed and deposited with the Pan American Union under date of October 1, 1945,³ the said Agreement was extended for

¹ TS 970, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 671.

² TS 970, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 680.

³ TIAS 1513, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 1283.

one year from October 1, 1945, with certain changes recommended by the Inter-American Coffee Board.

And whereas by a Protocol signed and deposited with the Pan American Union under date of October 1, 1946,⁴ the said Agreement was extended for one year from October 1, 1946, subject to certain conditions recommended by the Inter-American Coffee Board.

Now, therefore, in support of a recommendation made by the Inter-American Coffee Board on September 11, 1947, the Governments signatory to the present Protocol, considering that it is feasible, pending further efforts toward completion of international and inter-American arrangements for dealing with commodity problems, that the Agreement should be prolonged for one additional year, subject to the conditions stated below, have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Subject to the provisions of Article 2 hereof, the Agreement shall continue in force between the Governments signatory to the present Protocol for a period of one year from October 1, 1947.

Article 2

During the period specified in Article 1 above, the Governments signatory to the present Protocol agree that the provisions of Article I through and including VIII of the Agreement shall be inoperative.

Article 3

(a) During the period specified in Article 1 above, the Inter-American Coffee Board shall undertake to complete by April 1, 1948, its recommendations for the consideration of the governments now participating in the Agreement and of other governments that might be interested in participating in an understanding regarding the type of cooperation, whether inter-American or other international, that appears most likely to contribute to the development of sound and prosperous conditions in international trade in coffee equitable for both consumers and producers.

(b) Such recommendations shall be in accordance with general principles of commodity policy which are embodied in the Chapter on Inter-governmental Commodity Arrangements drafted in the First Session of the Preparatory Committee on the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment or which may be embodied in the Charter for an International Trade Organization if such Charter is concluded prior to the submission of such recommendations by the Board.

(c) The Inter-American Coffee Board shall undertake to make arrangements prior to October 1, 1948 for the transfer of its functions, assets and records to an appropriate inter-American or other international organization.

⁴ TIAS 1605, *ante*, p. 180.

Article 4

The present Protocol shall be open for signature at the Pan American Union from September 11, 1947 until November 1, 1947, provided, however, that all signatures shall be deemed to have been affixed under date of October 1, 1947, and the Protocol shall be considered as having entered into force on that date with respect to the governments on behalf of which it is signed.

In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present Protocol.

Done at the City of Washington in the English, Spanish, Portuguese and French languages. The original instrument in each language shall be deposited in the Pan American Union which shall furnish certified copies to the Governments signatory to this Protocol.

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