ARBIRTRATION

Agreement signed at Washington March 8, 1919, extending agreement of April 20, 1908, as extended
Senate advice and consent to ratification July 17, 1919
Ratified by the President of the United States July 29, 1919
Ratified by Spain August 5, 1919
Ratifications exchanged at Washington October 14, 1919
Entered into force October 14, 1919; operative from June 2, 1918
Proclaimed by the President of the United States October 15, 1919
Expired June 2, 1923

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The Government of the United States of America and the Government of His Majesty the King of Spain, being desirous of extending for another five years the period during which the Arbitration Convention concluded between them on April 20, 1908,¹ extended by the agreement concluded between the two Governments on May 29, 1913,² shall remain in force, have authorized the undersigned, to wit:

The Honorable Frank L. Polk, Acting Secretary of State of the United States, and

His Excellency, Señor Don Juan Riaño y Gayangos, Chamberlain to His Majesty the King of Spain, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of His Majesty at Washington,

To conclude the following agreement:

ARTICLE I

The Convention of Arbitration of April 20, 1908, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of His Majesty the King of Spain, the duration of which by Article III thereof was fixed at a period of five years from the date of the exchange of ratifications of the said Convention on June 2, 1908, which period, by the agreement of May 29, 1913, between the two Governments was extended for five years from June 2,

¹ TS 493, ante, p. 653.
² TS 586, ante, p. 657.
1913, is hereby renewed and continued in force for a further period of five years from June 2, 1918.

**Article II**

The present Agreement shall be ratified by the President of the United States of America, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and by the Government of His Majesty, the King of Spain, in accordance with its Constitution and laws, and it shall become effective upon the date of the exchange of ratifications, which shall take place at Washington as soon as possible.

Done in duplicate, in the English and Spanish languages, at Washington, this eighth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

*Frank L. Polk [seal]*

*Juan Riaño y Gayangos [seal]*