ARBITRATION

Agreement signed at Washington May 31, 1913, extending convention of April 4, 1908
Senate advice and consent to ratification February 21, 1914
Ratified by the United Kingdom March 11, 1914
Ratified by the President of the United States March 27, 1914
Ratifications exchanged at Washington April 10, 1914
Entered into force April 10, 1914; operative from June 4, 1913
Proclaimed by the President of the United States April 10, 1914
Expired June 4, 1918
38 Stat. 1767; Treaty Series 587

Agreement Extending the Duration of the Arbitration Convention of April 4, 1908

The President of the United States of America and His Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, being desirous of extending the period of five years during which the Arbitration Convention concluded between them on April 4, 1908,¹ is to remain in force, which period is about to expire, have authorized the undersigned, to wit: William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State of the United States, and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, His Britannic Majesty’s Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United States, to conclude the following articles:

Article I

The Convention of Arbitration of April 4, 1908, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of His Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, the duration of which by Article IV thereof was fixed at a period of five years from the date of the exchange of ratifications, which period will terminate on June 4, 1913, is hereby extended and continued in force for a further period of five years from June 4, 1913.

¹ TS 494, ante, p. 295.
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 His Brittanic Majesty, 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 at Washington this thirty-first day of May, one thousand and nine hundred and thirteen.

William Jennings Bryan [seal]
Cecil Spring Rice [seal]