ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE: APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION

Exchange of notes at Washington November 16 and 22, 1915, amending treaty of August 29, 1914
Entered into force November 22, 1915
Expired January 15, 1916

Treaty Series 614-A

The Secretary of State to the Paraguayan Minister

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington, November 16, 1915

Sir:

The time specified in the Treaty of August 29, 1914,¹ between the United States and Paraguay, looking to the advancement of the general cause of peace, for the appointment of the International Commission having expired, without the United States non-national Commissioner, the Paraguayan Commissioners and the Joint Commissioner being named, I have the honor to suggest for the consideration of your Government that the time within which the organization of the Commission may be completed be extended from July 9, 1915, to January 15, 1916.

Your formal notification in writing, that your Government receives the suggestion favorably, will be regarded on this Government's part as sufficient to give effect to the extension, and I shall be glad to receive your assurance that it will be so regarded by your Government also.

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

ROBERT LANSING

Mr. Héctor Velázquez,
The Minister of Paraguay.

¹ TS 614, ante, p. 902.
The Paraguayan Consul General at New York to the Secretary of State

Consulado General del Paraguay
en Nueva York
November 22, 1915

Sir:

Replying to the note of Your Excellency of the sixteenth instant addressed to His Excellency, Dr. Héctor Velázquez, Minister of Paraguay, suggesting an extension until January fifteenth, 1916, for the completion of the International Commission provided by the Treaty of August twenty-ninth, 1914, I beg to advise that, in the absence of Dr. Velázquez, I communicated with the Government at Asunción by cable as follows: “Lansing suggests exchange notes extension time to January fifteen next appointment Peace Treaty Commissioners”, to which I am in receipt today of a cable message reading as follows: “Suggestion accepted you are authorized exchange notes. Gondra.”

I therefore, by virtue of this authority, accept formally on the part of the Government of Paraguay Your Excellency’s suggestion for an extension until the date mentioned, and beg to give assurance that Your Excellency’s note will be regarded as giving full effect to such extension.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Very respectfully,

Wm. Wallace White

To the Honorable Robert Lansing,
Secretary of State, Washington, D.C.