ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

Treaty signed at Washington April 2, 1940
Ratified by the United Kingdom in respect to South Africa October 18, 1940
Senate advice and consent to ratification November 26, 1940
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The President of the United States of America and His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, acting for the Union of South Africa, being desirous, in view of the present constitutional position and international status of the Union of South Africa as an independent State, to amend in their application to the Union of South Africa certain provisions of the Treaty for the Advancement of Peace between 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, signed at Washington, September 15, 1914;¹ have for that purpose appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America:
Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State of the United States of America; and

His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, for the Union of South Africa:
Mr. Ralph William Close, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the Union of South Africa at Washington;

Who, having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found to be in due and proper form, have agreed upon and concluded the following articles:

ARTICLE I

Article II of the Treaty for the Advancement of Peace between the President of the United States of America and His Majesty the King of the United

¹ TS 602, post, vol. 12, UNITED KINGDOM.
Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, signed at Washington, September 15, 1914, is hereby superseded in respect of the Union of South Africa by the following:

Insofar as concerns disputes arising in the relations between the United States of America and the Union of South Africa, the International Commission shall be composed of five members to be appointed as follows: One member shall be chosen from the United States of America by the Government thereof; one member shall be chosen from the Union of South Africa by the Government thereof; one member shall be chosen by each Government from some third country; the fifth member shall be chosen by agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Union of South Africa, it being understood that he shall be a citizen of some third country of which no other member of the Commission is a citizen. The expression "third country" means a country not under the sovereignty or authority of the United States of America nor under the sovereignty, suzerainty, protection or mandate of His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India. The expenses of the Commission shall be paid by the United States of America and the Union of South Africa in equal proportions.

The International Commission shall be appointed within six months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present Treaty; and vacancies shall be filled according to the manner of the original appointment.

**Article II**

The second paragraph of Article III of the said Treaty of September 15, 1914, is hereby abrogated so far as concerns its application to the Union of South Africa.

**Article III**

Except as provided in Articles I, II and IV of the present Treaty the stipulations of the said Treaty of September 15, 1914, shall be considered as an integral part of the present Treaty and shall be observed and fulfilled by the United States of America and the Union of South Africa as if all such stipulations were literally herein embodied.

**Article IV**

The present Treaty 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 Majesty in respect of the Union of South Africa. It shall take effect on the date of the exchange of the ratifications which shall take place at Washington as soon as possible. It shall continue in force for a period of five years; and it shall thereafter remain in force until twelve months after
one of the High Contracting Parties has given notice to the other of an intention to terminate it.

On the termination of the present Treaty the said Treaty of September 15, 1914, shall in respect of the Union of South Africa cease to have effect.

In witness whereof the respective plenipotentiaries have signed the present Treaty and have affixed their seals thereto.

Done in duplicate at the City of Washington this second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty.

Cordell Hull [seal]
Ralph W. Close [seal]