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CONVENTION RELATIVE TO THE EXCHANGE OF OFFICIAL, SCIENTIFIC, LITERARY AND INDUSTRIAL PUBLICATIONS

Their Excellencies the Presidents of the Argentine Republic, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Chili, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, the United States of America, Guatemala, Hayti, Honduras, the United Mexician States, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay,

Desiring that their respective countries should be represented at the Second International American Conference, sent thereto duly authorized to approve the recommendations, resolutions, conventions and treaties that they might deem convenient for the interests of America, the following Delegates:

For the Argentine Republic.—His Excellency Antonio Bermejo, His Excellency Martin Garcia Mérou, His Excellency Lorenzo Anadon.

For Bolivia.—His Excellency Fernando E. Guachalla.

For Colombia.—His Excellency Carlos Martinez Silva, His Excellency General Rafael Reyes.

For Costa Rica.—His Excellency Joaquin Bernardo Calvo.

For Chili.—His Excellency Alberto Blest Gana, His Excellency Emilio Bello Codecido, His Excellency Joaquin Walker Martinez, His Excellency Augusto Matte.

For the Dominican Republic.—His Excellency Federico Henriquez y Caravajal, His Excellency Luis Felipe Carbo, His Excellency Quintin Gutierrez.

For Ecuador.—His Excellency Luis Felipe Carbo.

¹ Date of notification of second ratification.

For El Salvador.—His Excellency Francisco A. Reyes, His Excellency Baltasar Estupinian.

For the United States of América.—His Excellency Henry G. Davis, His Excellency William I. Buchanan, His Excellency Charles M. Pepper, His Excellency Volney W. Foster, His Excellency John Barrett.

For Guatemala.—His Excellency Antonio Laza Arriaga, His Excellency Colonel Francisco Orla.

For Hayti.—His Excellency J. N. Léger.

For Honduras.—His Excellency José Leonard, His Excellency Fausto Dávila.

For Mexico.—His Excellency Genaro Raigosa, His Excellency Joaquín D. Casasús, His Excellency José López Portillo y Rojas, His Excellency Emilo Pardo, Jr., His Excellency Pablo Macedo, His Excellency Alfredo Chavero, His Excellency Francisco L. de la Barra, His Excellency Manuel Sánchez Marmol, His Excellency Rosendo Pineda.

For Nicaragua.—His Excellency Luis F. Corea, His Excellency Fausto Dávila.

For Paraguay.—His Excellency Cecilio Baez.

For Peru.—His Excellency Isaac Alzamora, His Excellency Alberto Elmore, His Excellency Manuel Alvarez Calderon.

For Uruguay.—His Excellency Juan Cuestas;

who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers and found them to be in due and proper form, excepting those presented by the representatives of Their Excellencies the Presidents of the United States of America, Nicaragua and Paraguay, who act "ad referendum," have agreed: to enter into a Convention relative to the exchange of official, scientific, literary and industrial publications, in the following terms:

ART. 1ST. The signatory Governments bind themselves to furnish one another, reciprocally, five copies of each one of the following official publications:

I. Parliamentary, administrative and statistical documents which may be published in each one of the contracting countries.

II. Works of all kinds, published or subsidized by the respective signatory Governments.

III. Geographical maps, general as well as special, topographic plans and other works of this kind.

ART. 2ND. The obligation stipulated in the foregoing article, shall exist even in the case that the works referred to should be printed outside of the territory of the country whose Government grants them subsidy or assistance.

ART. 3RD. Each one of the signatory Governments shall form as complete a collection as possible, of the books already published officially in its

respective territory, specially of those relating to its history, statistics and geography, and shall forward such collections to the others at the time of making its first transmission.

ART. 4TH. The Governments signing this Convention, whenever they shall receive the publications sent them by others, shall insert, in due time, a list of the same in the respective official journals, so that the public may be able to consult them in the office or library in which they are placed for inspection, stating at the same time the place and the printing office from which each work was issued, for the information of those that may desire to acquire said work.

ART. 5TH. The Contracting Governments, in so far as the stipulations of the Universal Postal Union allow it, will declare free of postage, among the respective countries, all official correspondence and the publications under agreement of exchange referred to in this Convention, in conformity with the special arrangements which for the purpose shall be entered into among themselves.

ART. 6TH. Each of the Contracting Countries shall send the printed matter to which this Convention refers, to the Legation or Consulate which it may have accredited to the Governments of the others, so that they may be delivered by such channels to the Department, office or library which each Government may designate to receive them. In the absence of indirect agents, the transmission shall be made from one Government to the other.

ART. 7TH. For the operation of this Convention it is not indispensable that its ratification shall be made simultaneously by the signatory nations. The State approving it shall make known that fact to the others through a diplomatic agency, or directly, and such proceeding shall be considered of equal force as an exchange of copies.

ART. 8TH. This Convention shall take effect for an indefinite period, from the day on which its ratification shall have taken place, in the manner expressed in the foregoing article, and the nation desiring to denounce it, shall give notice of its intention to the others; and its obligations under it shall cease only one year from the date of giving such notice.

In Testimony whereof the Plenipotentiaries and Delegates sign the present Convention and set thereto the Seal of the Second International American Conference.

Made in the City of Mexico, this twenty-seventh day of January nineteen hundred and two, in three copies written in Spanish, English and French, respectively, which shall be deposited at the Department of Foreign Relations of the Government of the Mexican United States, so that certified copies thereof may be made, in order to send them through the diplomatic channel to the signatory States.

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