

ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

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The Governments of the United States of America and of the Republic of Ecuador, being desirous of once more contributing to the consolidation of their traditional policy of peace and amity and also to advance the diffusion of the spirit of universal peace, have resolved to enter into a special treaty and to that end have appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America: The Honorable William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State; and

The President of the Republic of Ecuador: Señor Dr. Don Gonzalo S. Córdova, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Ecuador to the United States of America;

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

ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties agree that all disputes between them, of every nature whatsoever, to the settlement of which previous arbitration treaties or agreements do not apply in their terms or are not applied in fact, and which it has not been possible to adjust through diplomatic methods, be referred for investigation and report to an International Commission to be constituted in the manner prescribed in the following article. And they further agree not to declare war or commit any act of hostility against each other, during such investigation and before the report is submitted.

ARTICLE II

The International Commission mentioned in the preceding article shall be composed of five members, to be appointed as follows: Each Government