

COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION

Treaty signed at Washington May 1, 1828

Ratified by Prussia August 30, 1828

*Senate advice and consent to ratification May 14, 1828, and March 9, 1829*¹

Ratified by the President of the United States March 12, 1829

Ratifications exchanged at Washington March 14, 1829

Entered into force March 14, 1829

Proclaimed by the President of the United States March 14, 1829

*Not revived after World War I*²

8 Stat. 378; Treaty Series 294³

TREATY OF COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF PRUSSIA

The United States of America and his Majesty the King of Prussia, equally animated with the desire of maintaining the relations of good understanding, which have hitherto so happily subsisted between their respective States, of extending, also, and consolidating the commercial intercourse between them, and convinced that this object cannot better be accomplished than by adopting the system of an entire freedom of navigation, and a perfect reciprocity, based upon principles of equity equally beneficial to both countries, and applicable, in time of peace, as well as in time of war, have, in consequence, agreed to enter into negotiations for the conclusion of a treaty of navigation and commerce; for which purpose the President of the United States has conferred full powers on Henry Clay, their Secretary of State, and his Majesty the King of Prussia has conferred like powers on the Sieur Ludwig Niederstetter, Chargé d'Affaires of his said Majesty near the United States; and the said Plenipotentiaries having exchanged their said full powers, found in good and due form, have concluded and signed the following articles:

¹ The Senate resolution of Mar. 9, 1829, in addition to again consenting to the treaty, advised the President to proceed to the exchange of ratifications notwithstanding the expiration of the time stipulated for the exchange by the terms of the treaty (art. XVI).

² See art. 289 of Treaty of Versailles (*ante*, vol. 2, p. 173), the benefits of which were secured to the United States by the treaty restoring friendly relations dated Aug. 25, 1921 (TS 658, *post*, p. 145).

³ For a detailed study of this treaty, see 3 Miller 427.