

ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

Treaty signed at Washington September 20, 1913

Ratified by Guatemala May 15, 1914

*Senate advice and consent to ratification, with amendments, August 13, 1914*¹

*Ratified by the President of the United States, with amendments, August 27, 1914*¹

Ratifications exchanged at Washington October 13, 1914

Entered into force October 13, 1914

Proclaimed by the President of the United States October 13, 1914

*Article II amended by agreements of November 3, 1915,² and June 1, 1916*³

*Superseded June 13, 1925, by convention for establishment of international commissions of inquiry signed at Washington February 7, 1923*⁴

38 Stat. 1840; Treaty Series 598

The United States of America and the Republic of Guatemala, being desirous to strengthen the bonds of amity that bind them together and also to advance the cause of general peace, have resolved to enter into a treaty for that purpose and to that end have appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

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

The President of Guatemala, Señor Don Joaquin Méndez, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Guatemala to the United States;

¹ The U.S. amendments called for the striking out of art. IV and the renumbering of art. V. Art. IV of the treaty as signed reads as follows: "Pending the investigation and report of the International Commission, the high contracting parties agree not to increase their military or naval programs, unless danger from a third power should compel such increase, in which case the party feeling itself menaced shall confidentially communicate the fact in writing to the other contracting party, whereupon the latter shall also be released from its obligation to maintain its military and naval status quo."

² TS 598-A, *post*, p. 494.

³ TS 598-B, *post*, p. 496.

⁴ TS 717, *ante*, vol. 2, p. 387.