

## ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

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*Ratified by the President of the United States November 22, 1915*

*Ratified by Brazil June 22, 1916*

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The Governments of the United States of America and of Brazil being desirous of giving another manifestation of the old friendship that binds the two countries together, and being united in the purpose of promoting the progress of civilization through peace, have resolved to enter into a special treaty for the amicable settlement of any future difficulties which may arise between the two countries, and for that purpose have appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America, Mr. William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State; and

The President of the United States of Brazil, Mr. Domicio da Gama, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary;

Who, duly authorized, have agreed upon the following articles:

### ARTICLE I

The Two High Contracting Parties agree to submit to a Permanent International Commission, for investigation and report, all disputes that may arise between them concerning questions of an international character which cannot be solved by direct diplomatic negotiation, and which are not embraced by the terms of any treaty of arbitration in force between them; and they agree not to declare war or to begin hostilities pending the investigation and report of said Commission.

### ARTICLE II

The Commission mentioned in the preceding Article shall be composed of five members each appointed for five years, as follows: Each Government