SETTLEMENT OF WORLD WAR I CLAIMS

Exchange of notes at Washington May 19, 1927, with text of arrangement
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The Secretary of State to the British Ambassador

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, May 19, 1927

Excellency:

I have the honor to incorporate herein the text of an arrangement for the disposal of certain pecuniary claims arising out of the recent war, in which His Majesty's Government in Great Britain and the Government of the United States are interested, either as principals or on behalf of their respective nationals. This arrangement which has been agreed upon by representatives of both Governments, has been approved by the Government of the United States. The terms of the arrangement are as follows:

ARTICLE I

With the exceptions stated in Article II hereof His Majesty's Government in Great Britain and the Government of the United States agree:

- (1) That neither will make further claim against the other on account of supplies furnished, services rendered or damages sustained by it in connection with the prosecution of the recent war, all such accounts to be regarded as definitively closed and settled.
- (2) That neither will present any diplomatic claim or request international arbitration on behalf of any national alleging loss or damage through the war measures adopted by the other, any such national to be referred for remedy to the appropriate judicial or administrative tribunal of the Government against which the claim is alleged to lie, and the decision of such tribunal or of the appellate tribunal, if any, to be regarded as the final settlement of such claim, it being understood that each Government will use its best endeavours to secure to the nationals of the other the same rights and remedies as may be enjoyed by its own nationals in similar circumstances,