

## SUPPRESSION OF SMUGGLING

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*Ratified by the President of the United States December 30, 1924*

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The President of the United States of America and the President of the French Republic being desirous of avoiding any difficulties which might arise between them in connection with the laws in force in the United States on the subject of alcoholic beverages have decided to conclude a Convention for that purpose, and have appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America: Mr. Charles Evans Hughes, Secretary of State of the United States; and

The President of the French Republic: Mr. J. J. Jusserand, Ambassador of the French Republic to the United States;

Who, having communicated their full powers found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:

### ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties respectively retain their rights and claims, without prejudice by reason of this agreement, with respect to the extent of their territorial jurisdiction.

### ARTICLE II

(1) The President of the French Republic agrees that France will raise no objection to the boarding of private vessels under the French flag outside the limits of territorial waters by the authorities of the United States, its territories or possessions in order that enquiries may be addressed to those on board and an examination be made of the ship's papers for the purpose of ascertaining whether the vessel or those on board are endeavoring to import or have imported alcoholic beverages into the United States, its territories or