

## CLAIMS

*Convention signed at Paris April 30, 1803*

*Ratified by France May 22, 1803*

*Senate advice and consent to ratification October 20, 1803*

*Ratified by the President of the United States October 21, 1803*

*Ratifications exchanged at Washington October 21, 1803*

*Entered into force October 21, 1803*

*Proclaimed by the President of the United States October 21, 1803*

*Terminated upon fulfillment of its terms*<sup>1</sup>

8 Stat. 208; Treaty Series 86-B<sup>2</sup>

### CONVENTION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE FRENCH REPUBLIC

The President of the United States of America and the First Consul of the French Republic in the name of the French People having by a Treaty<sup>3</sup> of this date terminated all difficulties relative to Louisiana, and established on a Solid foundation the friendship which unites the two nations and being desirous in compliance with the second and fifth Articles of the Convention of the 8<sup>th</sup> Vendémiaire ninth year of the French Republic (30<sup>th</sup> September 1800)<sup>4</sup> to Secure the payment of the Sums due by France to the citizens of the United States have respectively nominated as Plenipotentiaries that is to Say The President of the United States of America by and with the advice and consent of their Senate Robert R. Livingston Minister Plenipotentiary and James Monroe Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of the Said States near the Government of the French Republic: and the First Consul in the name of the French People the Citizen Francis Barbé Marbois Minister of the public treasury; who after having exchanged their full powers have agreed to the following articles.

#### ART: 1

The debts due by France to citizens of the United States contracted before the 8<sup>th</sup> of Vendémiaire ninth year of the French Republic (30<sup>th</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The Commission held its first meeting July 5, 1803, and adjourned Dec. 1, 1804. For details regarding distribution of the French indemnity under this convention, see Moore, *International Arbitrations*, vol. V, pp. 4434-4446.

<sup>2</sup> For a detailed study of this convention, see 2 Miller 516.

<sup>3</sup> TS 86, *ante*, p. 812.

<sup>4</sup> TS 85, *ante*, p. 801.