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Convention signed at Rio de Janeiro January 27, 1849

Ratified by Brazil January 27, 1849

Senate advice and consent to ratification January 14, 1850

Ratified by the President of the United States January 18, 1850

Ratifications exchanged at Washington January 18, 1850

Entered into force January 18, 1850

Proclaimed by the President of the United States January 19, 1850

Expired upon fulfillment of its terms ¹

9 Stat. 971; Treaty Series 35 ²

In the Name of the Most Holy and Indivisible Trinity

The United States of America, and His Majesty, the Emperor of Brazil, Desiring to remove every cause that might interfere with the good understanding and harmony which now happily exist between them, and which it is so much the interest of both Countries to maintain; and to come for that purpose to a definitive understanding, equally just and honorable to each, as to the mode of settling the long pending questions arising out of claims of citizens of said States, have for the same appointed, and conferred full powers, respectively, to wit:

The President of the United States of America, on David Tod, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the said States near the Court of Brazil, and His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, upon the Most Illustrious and Most Excellent Viscount of Olinda, of His Council, and of the Council of State, Senator and Grandee of the Empire, Grand Cross of the Order of Saint Stephen of Hungary, of the Legion of Honor of France, and of Saint Maurice and Saint Lazarus of Sardinia, officer of the Imperial order of the Cross, Commander of the order of Christ, President of the Council of Ministers, Minister and Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; who after exchanging their full Powers, which were found in good and proper form, agreed to the following articles:

ARTICLE I

The two High Contracting Parties, appreciating the difficulty of agreeing upon the subject of said reclamations, from the belief entertained by each,—

¹ Payment made by Brazil Sept. 27 and 28, 1850.

² For a detailed study of this convention, see 5 Miller 507.