

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS

Convention signed at San José July 2, 1860

Senate advice and consent to ratification January 16, 1861

Ratified by Costa Rica January 16, 1861

*Senate advice and consent to exchange of ratifications March 12, 1861*¹

Ratified by the President of the United States November 7, 1861

Ratifications exchanged at Washington November 9, 1861

Entered into force November 9, 1861

Proclaimed by the President of the United States November 11, 1861

Terminated in March 1873 upon final payment of awards

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The United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica, desiring to adjust the claims of citizens of said States, against Costa Rica, in such a manner as to cement the good understanding and friendly relations now happily subsisting between the two Republics, have resolved to settle such claims by means of a Convention; and, for that purpose, appointed and conferred full powers, respectively, to wit:

The President of the United States on Alexander Dimitry, Minister Resident of said United States in the Republic of Costa Rica, and His Excellency, the Constitutional President of said Republic of Costa Rica, on Manuel José Carazo and Francisco Maria Iglesias, who, upon an exchange of their plenary powers, which were found in good and proper form, have agreed to the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

It is agreed that all claims of Citizens of the United States upon the government of Costa Rica, arising from injuries to their persons, or damages to their property, under any form whatsoever, through the action of Authorities of the Republic of Costa Rica, statements of which, soliciting the interposition of the government of the United States, have been presented to the Department of State at Washington, or to the diplomatic agents of said United

¹ On Mar. 12, 1861, the Senate gave its advice and consent to exchange of ratifications at "such time as may be convenient to the Plenipotentiaries of the respective parties thereto, the limitations contained in the ninth Article thereof to the contrary notwithstanding."

² For a detailed study of this convention, see 8 Miller 469.