## RIGHTS IN FORMER GERMAN ISLANDS IN PACIFIC

Treaty and exchanges of notes signed at Washington February 11, 1922

Ratified by the President of the United States June 2, 1922
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## TREATY

The United States of America and Japan;

Considering that by Article 119 of the Treaty of Versailles, signed on June 28, 1919, Germany renounced in favor of the Powers described in that Treaty as the Principal Allied and Associated Powers, to wit, the United States of America, the British Empire, France, Italy and Japan, all her rights and titles over her oversea possessions;

Considering that the benefits accruing to the United States under the aforesaid Article 119 of the Treaty of Versailles were confirmed by the Treaty between the United States and Germany, signed on August 25, 1921,<sup>2</sup> to restore friendly relations between the two nations;

Considering that the said four Powers, to wit, the British Empire, France, Italy and Japan, have agreed to confer upon His Majesty the Emperor of Japan a mandate, pursuant to the Treaty of Versailles, to administer the groups of the former German Islands in the Pacific Ocean lying north of the Equator, in accordance with the following provisions:

"Article 1. The islands over which a Mandate is conferred upon His Majesty the Emperor of Japan (hereinafter called the Mandatory) comprise all the former German islands situated in the Pacific Ocean and lying north of the Equator.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ante, vol. 2, p. 107.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> TS 658, ante, vol. 8, p. 145, GERMANY.