

Netherlands

AMITY AND COMMERCE

Treaty signed at The Hague October 8, 1782

Ratified by the Netherlands December 27, 1782

*Ratified by the Congress of the United States (Continental Congress)
January 23, 1783*

*Proclaimed by the Congress of the United States (Continental Congress) January 23, 1783*¹

Ratifications exchanged at The Hague June 23, 1783

Entered into force June 23, 1783

*Abrogated by overthrow of Netherlands Government in 1795*²

8 Stat. 32; Treaty Series 249³

A TREATY OF AMITY AND COMMERCE BETWEEN THEIR HIGH MIGHTINESSES THE STATES-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NETHERLANDS, AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TO WIT NEW-HAMPSHIRE, MASSACHUSETTS, RHODE ISLAND, AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS, CONNECTICUTT, NEW-YORK, NEW-JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA, DELAWARE, MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, NORTH-CAROLINA, SOUTH-CAROLINA AND GEORGIA

Their High Mightinesses the States General of the United Netherlands, and the United-States of America, to wit New-Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Providence Plantations, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Georgia, desiring to ascertain, in a permanent and equitable manner, the Rules to be observed, relative to the Commerce, and Correspondence, which They intend to establish, between Their respective States, Countries and Inhabitants, have judged, that the said End cannot be better

¹ The proclamation of this treaty was the first instance of a formal proclamation of a United States treaty.

² For summary of conflicting views in 1873 regarding the continued validity and non-validity of this treaty, see V Moore, *International Law Digest*, 344.

³ For a detailed study of this treaty, see 2 Miller 59