

## EXTRADITION

*Exchange of notes at Rome April 16 and 17, 1946, supplementing  
convention of March 23, 1868*

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*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign  
Affairs*

ROME, April 16, 1946

EXCELLENCY:

As you know, the Extradition Convention between the United States of America and Italy, which was signed in Washington, D. C., on March 23, 1868,<sup>1</sup> provides in the first article thereof for the extradition of persons who may be convicted of, or charged with, having committed the crimes enumerated in the second article thereof. The Convention under reference, however, does not expressly indicate whether the nationals of each of the two contracting parties are included among such persons.

The Government of the United States of America, in conformity with American laws, has never experienced difficulty in surrendering American citizens under the terms of the aforementioned Convention. On the other hand, you will recall that the Italian Government in the past has not surrendered its nationals upon their being requisitioned by the Government of the United States since Italian Law has not permitted the extradition of Italian nationals unless such action were expressly provided in an international convention.

So that this Extradition Convention between the United States of America and Italy in the future may be rendered operative in the fullest sense of reciprocity, the Government of the United States would appreciate being informed whether the Italian Government would agree that the provisions

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<sup>1</sup> TS 174, *ante*, p. 76.