

ARBITRATION

Agreement signed at Washington August 23, 1918, extending agreement of May 5, 1908, as extended

Senate advice and consent to ratification October 10, 1918

Ratified by the President of the United States October 23, 1918

Ratified by Japan November 9, 1918

Ratifications exchanged at Washington December 30, 1918

Entered into force December 30, 1918; operative from August 24, 1918

Proclaimed by the President of the United States February 25, 1919

Expired August 23, 1923

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The Government of the United States of America and the Government of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, desiring to extend for another five years the period during which the Arbitration Convention concluded between them on May 5, 1908,¹ and extended by the Agreement concluded between the two Governments on June 28, 1913,² shall remain in force, have authorized the undersigned, to wit: Robert Lansing, Secretary of State of the United States, and Viscount Kikujiro Ishii, His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Washington, to conclude the following Agreement:

ARTICLE I

The Convention of Arbitration of May 5, 1908, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, the duration of which by Article III thereof was fixed at a period of five years from the date of the exchange of ratifications, which period, by the Agreement of June 28, 1913, between the two Governments was extended for five years from August 24, 1913, is hereby extended and continued in force for the further period of five years from August 24, 1918.

ARTICLE II

The present Agreement shall be ratified by the President of the United States of America, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof,

¹ TS 509, *ante*, p. 406.

² TS 591, *ante*, p. 423.