

## ARBITRATION

*Convention signed at Washington April 4, 1908*  
*Senate advice and consent to ratification April 17, 1908*  
*Ratified by Norway May 23, 1908*  
*Ratified by the President of the United States June 18, 1908*  
*Ratifications exchanged at Washington June 24, 1908*  
*Entered into force June 24, 1908*  
*Proclaimed by the President of the United States June 29, 1908*  
*Extended by agreements of June 16, 1913;<sup>1</sup> March 30, 1918;<sup>2</sup> and*  
*November 26, 1923<sup>3</sup>*  
*Expired June 24, 1928*

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The President of the United States of America and His Majesty the King of Norway desiring in pursuance of the principles set forth in articles 15–19 of the Convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes, signed at The Hague July 29, 1899,<sup>4</sup> to enter into negotiations for the conclusion of an Arbitration Convention, have named as their Plenipotentiaries, to wit:

The President of the United States of America, Elihu Root, Secretary of State of the United States of America; and

His Majesty the King of Norway: O. Skybak, His Chargé d’Affaires at Washington;

who, after having communicated to one another their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

### ARTICLE I

Differences which may arise of a legal nature or relating to the interpretation of treaties existing between the two Contracting Parties and which it may not have been possible to settle by diplomacy, shall be referred to the Permanent Court of Arbitration established at The Hague by the Convention

<sup>1</sup> TS 589, *post*, p. 454.

<sup>2</sup> TS 632, *post*, p. 461.

<sup>3</sup> TS 680, *post*, p. 470.

<sup>4</sup> TS 392, *ante*, vol. 1, p. 230.