ADVANCEMENT OF PEACE

Treaty signed at Washington June 24, 1914
Senate advice and consent to ratification August 13, 1914
Ratified by Norway September 18, 1914
Ratified by the President of the United States October 14, 1914
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Modified by agreement of January 7 and 12, 1915

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The President of the United States of America and His Majesty the King of Norway, being desirous to strengthen the bonds of amity that bind them together and also to advance the cause of general peace, have resolved to enter into a treaty for that purpose, and to that end have appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States, William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State of the United States; and

His Majesty the King of Norway, H. H. Bryn, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Norway to the United States;

Who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found to be in proper form, have agreed upon and concluded the following articles:

ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties agree that all disputes between them of every nature whatsoever shall, when diplomatic methods of adjustment have failed, be referred for investigation and report to a Permanent International Commission; provided, however, that treaties in force between the two parties do not prescribe settlement by arbitration of such dispute.

The Commission shall be constituted in the manner prescribed in the next succeeding article.

The High Contracting Parties agree not to declare war or begin hostilities during such investigation and before the report is submitted.

¹ TS 599½, post, p. 459.