

## BOUNDARIES (GADSDEN TREATY)

*Treaty signed at México December 30, 1853*

*Senate advice and consent to ratification, with amendments, April 25, 1854*<sup>1</sup>

*Ratified by Mexico May 31, 1854*

*Ratified by the President of the United States, with amendments, June 29, 1854*<sup>1</sup>

*Ratifications exchanged at Washington June 30, 1854*

*Entered into force June 30, 1854*

*Proclaimed by the President of the United States June 30, 1854*

*Article 8 terminated December 21, 1937, by treaty of April 13, 1937*<sup>2</sup>

10 Stat. 1031; Treaty Series 208

### In the Name of Almighty God

The Republic of Mexico and the United States of America desiring to remove every cause of disagreement, which might interfere in any manner with the better friendship and intercourse between the two Countries; and especially, in respect to the true limits which should be established, when notwithstanding what was covenanted in the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in the Year 1848,<sup>3</sup> opposite interpretations have been urged, which might give occasion to questions of serious moment: to avoid these, and to strengthen and more firmly maintain the peace, which happily prevails between the two Republics, the President of the United States has for this purpose, appointed James Gadsden Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the same near the Mexican Government, and the President of Mexico has appointed as Plenipotentiary "ad hoc" His Excellency Don Manuel Diez de Bonilla Cavalier Grand Cross of the National and Distinguished Order of Guadalupe, and Secretary of State and of the Office of Foreign Relations, and Don Jose Salazar Ylarregui and General Mariano Monterde as Scientific Commissioners invested with Full powers for this Negotia-

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<sup>1</sup> As a result of the United States amendments, the terms of the treaty were radically altered: arts. 1 and 2 were rewritten; arts. 3 and 4 were rewritten and combined as art. 3; art. 8 was deleted; and there were several minor corrections of the text. For a detailed study of this treaty, and texts of the articles as signed, see 6 Miller 293.

The text printed here is the amended text as proclaimed by the President.

<sup>2</sup> TS 932, *post*, p. 1023.

<sup>3</sup> Treaty signed Feb. 2, 1848 (TS 207, *ante*, p. 791).