PEACE, FRIENDSHIP, AND COMMERCE

Treaty signed at Antananarivo May 13, 1881
Senate advice and consent to ratification February 27, 1883
Ratified by the President of the United States March 10, 1883
Ratified by Madagascar March 12, 1883
Ratifications exchanged at Washington March 12, 1883
Entered into force March 12, 1883
Proclaimed by the President of the United States March 13, 1883
Terminated July 22, 1896 [1]

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Whereas a treaty of friendship and commerce between the Government of Madagascar and the Government of the United States of America was concluded on the fourteenth of February, 1867,[2] at Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar, under which the most friendly relations between the two have existed up to the present time; and whereas Her Majesty Ranavalo-manjaka, Queen of Madagascar, and his Excellency James A. Garfield, President of the United States of America, are both desirous, for the good and welfare of their respective countries, to maintain the present friendly relations, and to expand the commerce between the two countries; to prevent as far as possible complications and disputes between their respective subjects and citizens, and to provide more definitely the manner of executing the obligations of the treaty and the adjustments of disputes that may arise in the future, the following articles of revision and addition to the treaty of the fourteenth of February, 1867, have been mutually agreed to and signed by Ravoninahitriniarivo 15th Honor, Officer of the Palace, Chief Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, on the part of the Government of Madagascar; and W. W. Robinson, United States Consul for Madagascar, on the part of the Government of the United States of America, on the thirteenth day of May (seventeenth of Alakaosy), eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

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[1] Date of notification by France that Madagascar had been declared a French colony, that treaties with the Madagascar Government had been abrogated, and that conventions between the United States and France had been substituted therefor.
[2] TS 197, *ante*, p. 742.