The Proposal to Renounce War

The General Pact for the Renunciation of War is now before the world. All responsible nations have been invited to agree in a solemn treaty to renounce war as a way to settle their disputes.

It was signed in Paris on August 27, 1928, by representatives of the United States and fourteen other nations. Forty-nine additional nations have also been invited to adhere, and up to November 1 forty-one of these have officially signified their intention of doing so.

Its essential features are contained in the following articles:

1. The high contracting parties solemnly declare in the names of their respective peoples that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another.

2. The high contracting parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means.

This treaty will come before the United States Senate for ratification during the winter. In order to assure President Coolidge that it has the support of the American people and in order to convince the Senate of the strong popular desire for its early ratification, the petition on the other side of this sheet is being given the widest possible circulation.

1. Please sign and ask all your friends to sign.

2. When you have obtained as many signatures as possible, send, by December 1, 1928, direct to

   The President
   The White House
   Washington, D. C.
Petition to the President

We, the undersigned, (citizens of) (members of)

do hereby express our highest appreciation of the efforts of Secretary Kellogg for the conclusion of the General Pact for the Renunciation of War as constituting a long step towards the elimination of the war method of settling international differences, and do hereby urge the President of the United States to submit the treaty to the Senate for ratification immediately upon the convening of Congress and to take whatever other steps may be necessary towards its prompt ratification by that body without qualification or reservation.

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