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TREATY
BETWEEN THE
UNITED STATES AND OTHER POWERS
PROVIDING FOR THE
RENUNCIATION OF WAR
AS AN INSTRUMENT OF NATIONAL POLICY

SIGNED AT PARIS, AUGUST 27, 1928
RATIFICATION ADVISED BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 15, 1929 (LEGISLATIVE DAY OF JANUARY 14, 1929)
RATIFIED BY THE PRESIDENT, JANUARY 12, 1929
INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION DEPOSITED AT WASHINGTON
BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; AUSTRALIA; DOMINION OF CANADA; CZECHOSLOVAKIA; GERMANY; GREAT BRITAIN; INDIA; IRELAND; ITALY; JAPAN; NEW ZEALAND; AND UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, MARCH 2, 1929
BY POLAND, MARCH 25, 1929
BY BELGIUM, MARCH 27, 1929
BY FRANCE, APRIL 30, 1929
BY JAPAN, JULY 28, 1929
PROCLAIMED, JULY 24, 1929

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By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Whereas a Treaty between the President of the United States of America, the President of the German Reich, His Majesty the King of the Belgians, the President of the French Republic, His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, His Majesty the King of Italy, His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, the President of the Republic of Poland, and the President of the Czechoslovak Republic, providing for the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy, was concluded and signed by their respective Plenipotentiaries at Paris on the twenty-seventh day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, the original of which Treaty, being in the English and French languages, is word for word as follows:

Le Président du Reich allemand, le président des États-Unis d'Amérique, sa majesté le roi des Belges, le président de la République française, sa majesté le roi de Grande-Bretagne, d'Irlande et des Territoires Britanniques au-delà des mers, l'empereur des Indes, sa majesté le roi d'Italie, sa majesté l'empereur du Japon, le président de la République de Pologne, le président de la République tchécoslovaque,

Ayant le sentiment profond du devoir solennel qui leur incombe de développer le bien-être de l'humanité;

Persuadés que le moment est venu de procéder à une franche renonciation à la guerre comme instrument de politique nationale afin que les relations pacifiques et amicales existant actuellement entre leurs peuples puissent être perpétuées;

Convaincus que tous changements dans leurs relations mutuelles ne doivent être recherchés

Deeply sensible of their solemn duty to promote the welfare of mankind;

Persuaded that the time has come when a frank renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy should be made to the end that the peaceful and friendly relations now existing between their peoples may be perpetuated;

Convinced that all changes in their relations with one another should be sought only by pacific
que par des procédés pacifiques et être réalisés dans l'ordre et dans la paix, et que toute Puissance signataire qui chercherait désormais à développer ses intérêts nationaux en recourant à la guerre devra être privée du bénéfice du présent Traité.

Espérant que, encouragées par leur exemple, toutes les autres nations du monde se joindront à ces efforts humanitaires et, en adhérant au présent Traité dès qu'elles entrent en vigueur, mettront leurs peuples à même de profiter de ses bienfaisantes stipulations, unissant ainsi les nations civilisées du monde dans une réconciliation commune à la guerre comme instrument de leur politique nationale;

Ont décidé de conclure un Traité et à cette fin ont désigné comme leurs Plénipotentiaires respectifs, savoir:

LE PRÉSIDENT DU REICH ALLEMAND:
M. le Docteur Gustav Stresemann, Ministre des Affaires Étrangères;

LE PRÉSIDENT DES ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE:
L'Honorable Frank B. Kellogg, Secrétaire d'État;

SA MAJESTÉ LE ROI DES BELGES:
M. Paul Hymans, Ministre des Affaires Étrangères, Ministre d'État;

LE PRÉSIDENT DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE:
M. Aristide Briand, Ministre des Affaires Étrangères;

SA MAJESTÉ LE ROI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE, D'IRLANDE ET DES TERRITOIRES BRITANNIQUES AU DELA DES MERS, EMPEREUR DES INDES:
Pour la Grande-Bretagne et l'Irlande du Nord et toutes les Parties de l'Empire Britannique qui ne sont pas individuellement Membres de la Société des Nations:

Le Très Honorable Lord Curnenden, Chancellor du Duché de Lancaster, Secrétaire d'État pour les Affaires Étrangères par interins;

Le Très Honorable William Lyon Mackenzie King, Premier Ministre et Ministre des Affaires Étrangères;

Pour le Commonwealth d'Australie:
L'Honorable Alexander John McLachlan, Membre du Conseil Éxécutif Fédéral;

Pour le Dominion de Nouvelle-Zélande:
L'Honorable Sir Christopher James Park, Haut-Commissaire de la Nouvelle-Zélande en Grande-Bretagne;

Pour l'Union de l'Afrique du Sud:
L'Honorable Jacobus Stephanus Smuts, Haut-Commissaire de l'Union de l'Afrique du Sud en Grande-Bretagne;

Pour l'État Libre d'Irlande:
M. William Thomas Cosgrave, Président du Conseil Exécutif;

Pour l'Inde:
Le Très Honorable Lord Curnenden, Chancellor du Duché de Lancaster, Secrétaire d'État pour les Affaires Étrangères par interins;

SA MAJESTÉ LE ROI D'ITALIE:
Le Comte Gaetano Manzoni, Son Ambassadeur Extraordinaire et Plénipotentiaire à Paris;

SA MAJESTÉ L'EMPEREUR DU JAPON:
Le Comte Uchida, Conseiller Privé;

LE PRÉSIDENT DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE DE POLOGNE:
M. A. Zaleski, Ministre des Affaires Étrangères;

LE PRÉSIDENT DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE Tchécoslovaque:
M. le Docteur Eduard Benes Ministre des Affaires Étrangères;

Le Très Honorable Lord Curnenden, Chancellor du Duché de Lancaster, Secrétaire d'État pour les Affaires Étrangères par interins;

The Right Honourable William Lyon Mackenzie King, Prime Minister and Minister for External Affairs;

For the Commonwealth of Australia:
The Honourable Alexander John McLachlan, Member of the Executive Federal Council;

For the Dominion of New Zealand:
The Honourable Sir Christopher James Park, High Commissioner for New Zealand in Great Britain;

For the Union of South Africa:
The Honourable Jacobus Stephanus Smuts, High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa in Great Britain;

For the Irish Free State:
The Right Honorable Lord Curnenden, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Acting Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF ITALY:

HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN:
Count Uchida, Privy Councillor;

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND:
Mr. A. Zaleski, Minister for Foreign Affairs;

THE PRESIDENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC:
Dr. Eduard Benes, Minister for Foreign Affairs;

who, having communicated to one another their full powers found in
Article I

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.

Article II

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.

Article III

The present Treaty shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties named in the Preamble in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements, and shall take effect as soon as all their several instruments of ratification shall have been deposited at Washington.

This Treaty shall, when it has come into effect as prescribed in the preceding paragraph, remain open as long as may be necessary for adherence by all the other Powers of the world. Every instrument evidencing the adherence of a Power shall be deposited at Washington and the Treaty shall immediately upon such deposit become effective as between the Power thus adhering and the other Powers parties hereto.

It shall be the duty of the Government of the United States to furnish each Government named in the Preamble and every Government subsequently adhering to this Treaty with a certified copy of the Treaty and of every instrument of ratification or adherence. It shall also be the duty of the Government of the United States telegraphically to notify such Governments immediately upon the deposit with it of each instrument of ratification or adherence.

IN FAITH WHEREOF the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the present Treaty and have affixed their seals.

DONE at Paris, the twenty-seventh day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

[Seals]

Gustav Stresemann
Frank B. Kellogg
Paul Hymans
Art Briand
Cushendun
W. L. Mackenzie King
A. J. McLachlan
C. J. Parr
J. S. Smit
Lim T. MacCossair
Cushendun
G. Manzoni
Uchida
August Zaleski
Dr. Eduard Benes

And Whereas it is stipulated in the said Treaty that it shall take effect as between the High Contracting Parties as soon as all the several instruments of ratification shall have been deposited at Washington;

And Whereas the said Treaty has been duly ratified on the parts of all the High Contracting Parties and their several instruments of ratification have been deposited with the Government of the United States of America, the last on July 24, 1939;

Now, Therefore, be it known that I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, have caused the said Treaty to be made public, to the end that the same and every article and clause...
thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States and the citizens thereof.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this twenty-fourth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifty-fourth.

HERBERT HOOVER

By the President:
HENRY L. STIMSON
Secretary of State

NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADHERING COUNTRIES

When this Treaty became effective on July 24, 1929, the instruments of ratification of all of the signatory powers having been deposited at Washington, the following countries, having deposited instruments of definitive adherence, became parties to it:

Afghanistan  Finland  Peru
Albania  Guatemala  Portugal
Austria  Hungary  Rumania
Bulgaria  Iceland  Russia
China  Latvia  Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes
Cuba  Liberia  Siam
Denmark  Lithuania  Spain
Dominican Republic  Netherlands  Sweden
Egypt  Nicaragua  Turkey
Estonia  Norway
Ethiopia  Panama

Since July 24, 1929, the following countries have deposited their instruments of definitive adherence:

Persia  Free City of Danzig  Switzerland
Greece  Costa Rica  Paraguay
Honduras  Venezuela  Haiti
Chile  Mexico
Luxembourg 