

CONCILIATION

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TREATY OF CONCILIATION

The President of the United States of America and His Majesty, King Tafari, Heir Apparent to the Throne and Regent Plenipotentiary of the Empire of Ethiopia, on behalf of Her Imperial Majesty, Zeoditu, Empress of Ethiopia, and of himself, 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.

The President of the United States of America has appointed as his plenipotentiary Mr. Addison E. Southard, Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States of America in Ethiopia.

His Majesty, King Tafari, Heir Apparent to the Throne and Regent Plenipotentiary of the Empire of Ethiopia, has been designated plenipotentiary to sign and ratify on behalf of Her Imperial Majesty, Zeoditu, Empress of Ethiopia, and of himself.

They, having communicated to one another their full powers, found to be in good and due form, have agreed upon and concluded the following articles:

ARTICLE I

Any disputes arising between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Ethiopia of whatever nature they may be, shall, when ordinary diplomatic proceedings have failed and the High Contracting Parties do not have recourse to adjudication by a competent tribunal, be submitted for investigation and report to a Permanent International Commission 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.

ARTICLE II

The International Commission shall be composed of five members, to be appointed as follows: One member shall be chosen from each country, by the Government thereof; one member shall be chosen by each Government from some third country; the fifth member shall be chosen by common agreement between the two Governments, it being understood that he shall not be a citizen of either country. The expenses of the Commission shall be paid by the two Governments in equal proportions.

The International Commission shall be appointed within six months after the exchange of ratifications of this treaty; and vacancies shall be filled according to the manner of the original appointment.

ARTICLE III

In case the High Contracting Parties shall have failed to adjust a dispute by diplomatic methods, and they do not have recourse to adjudication by a competent tribunal, they shall at once refer it to the International Commission for investigation and report. The International Commission may, however, spontaneously by unanimous agreement offer its services to that effect, and in such case it shall notify both Governments and request their cooperation in the investigation.

The High Contracting Parties agree to furnish the Permanent International Commission with all the means and facilities required for its investigation and report.

The report of the Commission shall be completed within one year after the date on which it shall declare its investigation to have begun, unless the High Contracting Parties shall shorten or extend the time by mutual agreement. The report shall be prepared in triplicate; one copy shall be presented to each Government, and the third retained by the Commission for its files.

The High Contracting Parties reserve the right to act independently on the subject matter of the dispute after the report of the Commission shall have been submitted.

ARTICLE IV

The present treaty shall be ratified by the President of the United States of America by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and by His Majesty, King Tafari, Heir Apparent to the Throne and Regent Plenipotentiary of the Empire of Ethiopia, on behalf of Her Imperial Majesty, Zeoditu, Empress of Ethiopia, and of himself, in accordance with Ethiopian constitutional law.

The ratifications shall be exchanged at Addis Ababa as soon as possible, and the treaty shall take effect on the date of the exchange of the ratifications. It shall thereafter remain in force continuously unless and until terminated

by one year's written notice given by either High Contracting Party to the other.

In faith whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this treaty in duplicate in the English and Amharic languages, and hereunto affix their seals.

Done in duplicate at Addis Ababa on the twenty-sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-nine.

(English text signed)	ADDISON E. SOUTHARD	[SEAL]
(Amharic text signed)	TAFARI	[SEAL]