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TREATY OF CONCILIATION BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Note: The Treaty has not been submitted to the Senate for ratification. The original copy is filed in the Records section in of the Department of Foreign Affairs. The Republic of the Philippines and the United States of America, being desirous to strengthen the bonds of amity that bind them together and also to advance the cause of general peace, have decided to conclude a treaty of conciliation and for that purpose have appointed as their plenipotentiaries.

The President of the Republic of the Philippines:

His Excellency EI.PIDIO QUIRJNO, Vice-President and concurrently Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines; and

The President of the United States of America:

His Excellency PAUL V. McNUTT, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of the Philippines;

Who, having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found to be in good and due form, have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

Any disputes arising between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, and the Government of the United States of America, 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 of Conciliation constituted in the manner prescribed in the next succeeding article.

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 constituted within six months after the exchange of ratifications of this Treaty; and vacancies shall be filled according to the manner of the original agreement.