

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CERTAIN QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE CONFLICT OF NATIONALITY LAWS

The President of the German Reich; the Federal President of the Austrian Republic; His Majesty the King of the Belgians; His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India; the President of the Republic of Chile; the President of the National Government of the Republic of China; the President of the Republic of Colombia; the President of the Republic of Cuba; His Majesty the King of Denmark and Iceland; the President of the Polish Republic, for the Free City of Danzig; His Majesty the King of Egypt; His Majesty the King of Spain; the Government of the Estonian Republic; the President of the French Republic; the President of the Hellenic Republic; His Serene Highness the Regent of the Kingdom of Hungary; His Majesty the King of Denmark and Iceland, for Iceland; His Majesty the King of Italy; His Majesty the Emperor of Japan; the President of the Latvian Republic; Her Royal Highness the Grand-Duchess of Luxembourg; the President of the United States of Mexico; Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands; the President of the Republic of Peru; the President of the Polish Republic; the President of the Portuguese Republic; the President of the Republic of Salvador; His Majesty the King of Sweden; the Swiss Federal Council; the President of the Czechoslovak Republic; the President of the Republic of Uruguay; His Majesty the King of Yugoslavia,

Considering that it is of importance to settle by international agreement questions relating to the conflict of nationality laws;

Being convinced that it is in the general interest of the international community to secure that all its members should recognize that every person should have a nationality and should have one nationality only;

Recognizing accordingly that the ideal towards which the efforts of humanity should be directed in this domain is the abolition of all cases both of statelessness and of double nationality;

Being of opinion that, under the economic and social conditions which at present exist in the various countries, it is not possible to reach immediately a uniform solution of all the above-mentioned problems;

Being desirous, nevertheless, as a first step toward this great achievement, of settling in a first attempt at progressive codification, those questions relating to the conflict of nationality laws on which it is possible at the present time to reach international agreement,

Have decided to conclude a convention, and have for this purpose appointed as their plenipotentiaries:—

The President of the German Reich:

M. Göppert, Minister Plenipotentiary;

M. H. Hering, Privy Councillor, Head of Department at the Ministry of the Interior of the Reich.

The Federal President of the Austrian Republic:

Dr. Marc Leitmaier, Legal Adviser of the Federal Chancellery, Department for Foreign Affairs.

His Majesty the King of the Belgians:

M. J. de Ruelle, Legal Adviser of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.