

CONVENTION BETWEEN HIS MAJESTY IN RESPECT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC FOR THE ABOLITION OF CAPITULATIONS IN MOROCCO AND ZANZIBAR

His Majesty The King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, and the President of the French Republic, acting in his own name and on behalf of His Majesty the Sultan of Morocco;

Whereas the present special régime applicable in the French Zone of the Shereefian Empire to British consuls, nationals, and institutions is no longer in accordance with the present state of that zone;

And whereas His Majesty The King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, in view of the convention signed at Montreaux on the 8th day of May, 1937, relating to the abolition of the Capitulations in Egypt, desires to give effect as regards the French Zone of Morocco to the Declaration of the 8th April, 1904, relating to Egypt and Morocco;

And whereas both High Contracting Parties are also desirous of modifying certain treaties applicable to Zanzibar so as to render them more in conformity with existing conditions;

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

His Majesty The King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India (hereinafter referred to as His Majesty The King):

For Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

The Right Honourable Anthony Eden, M.C., M.P., His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

The President of the French Republic:

His Excellency Monsieur Charles Corbin, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the French Republic in London;

Who, having deposited their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:—

ARTICLE 1

His Majesty The King renounces all rights and privileges of a capitulatory character in the French Zone of the Shereefian Empire.

ARTICLE 2

British subjects, British-protected persons and British companies in the French Zone of the Shereefian Empire shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the same tribunals as French citizens and French companies.

In their recourse to such tribunals British subjects, British-protected persons and British companies shall be subject to the same conditions as French citizens and French companies.

After the expiry of ten years from the date of the coming into force of the present convention, the provisions of the second paragraph of this article cannot be invoked, unless the subjects of His Majesty the Sultan of Morocco and companies duly incorporated under the law of the French Zone of the Shereefian Empire enjoy in the United Kingdom the treatment of the most-favoured-nation as regards the matter referred to in that paragraph.