

**EQUATOR.**

*Subjects. Commerce and Navigation. Favors, Privileges and Immunities.*

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Commerce and Navigation.

*Continued.*

It being the intention of the two High Contracting Parties to bind themselves by the two preceding Articles to treat each other on the footing of the most favored nation, it is hereby agreed between them that any favor, privilege, or immunity whatever, in matters of commerce and navigation, which either Contracting Party has actually granted, or may hereafter grant, to the subjects or citizens of any other State, shall be extended to the subjects or citizens of the other High Contracting Party, gratuitously, if the concession in favor of that other nation shall have been gratuitous; or in return for a compensation as nearly as possible of proportionate value and effect, to be adjusted by mutual agreement, if the concession shall have been conditional. (Article IV.)

*Import Duties. Produce and Manufactures.*

No higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the territories of Her Britannic Majesty of any articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of the Equator, and no higher or other duties shall be imposed on the importation into the territories of the Equator of any articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of Her Britannic Majesty's dominions, than are or shall be payable on the like articles being the growth, produce, or manufacture of any other foreign country. (Article V.)

*Export Duties.*

Nor shall any other or higher duties or charges be imposed, in the territories or dominions of either of the Contracting Parties, on the exportation of any articles to the territories or dominions of the other, than such as are or may be payable on the exportation of the like articles to any other foreign country. (Article V.)

*Prohibitions.*

Nor shall any prohibition be imposed upon the exportation or importation of any articles the growth, produce or manufacture of Her Britannic Majesty's dominions, or of the said territories of the Equator, to or from the said dominions of Her Britannic Majesty, or to or from the said territories of the Equator, which shall not equally extend to all other nations. (Article V.)

*Lading and Unlading of Ships. Safety of Merchandize, &c. Property. Justice. Imposts.*

In whatever relates to the lading and unlading of ships, the safety of merchandize, goods and effects, the succession to personal estates, and the disposal of personal property of every sort and denomination, by sale, donation, exchange or testament, or in any other manner whatsoever, as also the administration of justice, the subjects and citizens of the two Contracting Parties shall enjoy, in their respective dominions and territories, the same privileges, liberties and rights as the most favored nation, and shall not be