

ARTICLE 7

The present Agreement shall be ratified under the following conditions:

Each Power will communicate its ratification with as little delay as possible to the French Government, who will notify the other signatory countries.

The ratifications shall be deposited in the archives of the French Government.

The present Agreement will enter into force for each signatory country on the day on which its ratification is deposited.

ARTICLE 8

The present Agreement is concluded for a period of seven years. On the expiry of this period, it will continue to remain in force for further periods of seven years between the States which have not notified one year before the end of each period their intention no longer to give effect to its provisions in so far as concerns them.

IN FAITH WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorised for this purpose, have signed the present Agreement in a single copy, to which they have attached their seals; this copy will remain deposited in the archives of the French Government, and certified copies will be sent through the diplomatic channel to the Contracting Parties.

The said copy is open for signature until the 30th April, 1924, inclusive.

DONE at Paris, the 25th January, 1924.

(Here follow the names of the signatories for Argentine, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Great Britain, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Italy, Luxemburg, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Roumania, Siam, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunis.)

ANNEX

ORGANIC STATUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE FOR DEALING WITH
CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

ARTICLE 1

There is set up at Paris an International Office for dealing with Contagious Diseases of Animals, composed of the States who agree to take part in its working.

ARTICLE 2

The Office may not interfere in any way with the administration of the different States.

It is independent of the authorities of the country in which it is situated.

It shall correspond direct with the superior authorities or with the departments in different countries concerned with veterinary police measures.

ARTICLE 3

On the request of the international committee provided for in Article 6, the French Government shall take necessary steps to have the Office recognised as an institution of public utility.