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Signed at London, February 27, 1904.

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Signed at London, February 27, 1904.

THE Government of His Britannic Majesty and the Government of His Catholic Majesty the King of Spain, signatories of the Convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes concluded at The Hague on the 29th July, 1899;

Taking into consideration that by Article XIX of that Convention the High Contracting Parties have reserved to themselves the right of concluding Agreements, with a view to referring to arbitration all questions which they shall consider possible to submit to such treatment,

Have authorized the Undersigned to conclude the following arrangement:—

ARTICLE I.

Differences which may arise of a legal nature, or relating to the interpretation of Treaties existing between the two Contracting Parties, and which it

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El Gobierno de Su Majestad Británica y el Gobierno de Su Majestad Católica, firmantes del Convenio ajustado para el arreglo pacífico de los conflictos internacionales en el Haya el 29 de Julio, 1899;

Considerando que por el Artículo XIX de dicho Convenio las Altas Partes Contratantes se han reservado la facultad de celebrar acuerdos con el objeto de recurrir al arbitraje en todos los casos que ellas juzguen posible someter á tal procedimiento,

Han autorizado á los Infraescritos á convenir en las disposiciones siguientes:—

ARTICULO I.

Las diferencias de índole jurídica ó relativas á la interpretación de los Tratados existentes entre las dos Partes Contratantes que llegasen á surgir

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may not have been possible to settle by diplomacy, shall be referred to the Permanent Court of Arbitration established at The Hague by the Convention of the 29th July, 1899, provided, nevertheless, that they do not affect the vital interests, the independence, or the honour of the two Contracting States, and do not concern the interests of third Parties.

ARTICLE II.

In each individual case the High Contracting Parties, before appealing to the Permanent Court of Arbitration, shall conclude a special Agreement defining clearly the matter in dispute, the scope of the powers of the Arbitrators, and the periods to be fixed for the formation of the Arbitral Tribunal and the several stages of the procedure.

ARTICLE III.

The present Agreement is concluded for a period of five years, dating from the day of signature.

Done in duplicate, at London, the 27th day of February, 1904.

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entre ellas, y que no hubiese sido posible arreglar por la vía diplomática, serán sometidas al Tribunal Permanente de Arbitraje instituido en el Hayá por el Convenio de 29 de Julio, 1899, á condición sin embargo de que tales diferencias no afecten á los intereses vitales, la independencia ó el honor de los dos Estados Contratantes y que no conciernen á los intereses de terceras Potencias,

ARTICULO II.

En cada caso particular las Altas Partes Contratantes firmarán, antes de dirigirse al Tribunal Permanente de Arbitraje, un Compromiso especial que determinará claramente el objeto del litigio, la extensión de los poderes de los árbitros y los plazos que deban observarse en lo que concierne á la constitución del Tribunal Arbitral y el procedimiento que deba seguirse.

ARTICULO III.

El presente Convenio durará cinco años contados desde el dia de la firma.

Hecho en Londres, por duplicado, el 27 de Febrero, 1904.