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# EMPIRE BRITANNIQUE, FRANCE, ITALIE ET GRÈCE.

Convention relative à la Compensation à payer par la Grèce aux Ressortissants alliés, signée à Paris, le 23 Novembre 1923.

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Convention regarding Compensation payable by Greece to Allied Nationals, signed at Paris, November 23, 1923.

### Traduction.—Translation.\*

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French official text communicated by the French Delegation at the Fifth Assembly of the League of Nations. The registration of this Convention took place September 5, 1924.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE, FRANCE, ITALY AND GREECE,

wishing to settle the method of repayment, by the Greek Government, to nationals of the other contracting Powers and to companies in which, on the 1st June, 1921, the interests of the latter were preponderant, of debts resulting from the actions of the Greek authorities in Turkey,

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

## FOR THE BRITISH EMPIRE:

The Right Honourable Sir Horace George Montagu Rumbold Baronet, G.C.M.G., High Commissioner at Constantinople;

#### FOR FRANCE:

General Maurice Pellé, Ambassador of France, High Commissioner of the Republic in the East, Grand Officer of the National Order of the Legion of Honour;

#### FOR ITALY:

The Honourable Marquis Camillo Garroni, Senator of the Kingdom, Ambassador of Italy, High Commissioner at Constantinople, Grand Cross of the Orders of Saints Maurice and Lazarus, and of the Crown of Italy;

M. Giulio Cesare Montagna, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens, Commander of the Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus, Grand Officer of the Crown of Italy:

#### FOR GREECE:

- M. Eleftherios K. Veniselos, formerly President of the Council of Ministers, Grand Cross of the Order of the Saviour;
- M. Demetrios Caclamanos, Minister Plenipotentiary at London, Commander of the Order of the Saviour;

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

## Single Article.

The Greek Government undertakes to pay to the nationals of the other contracting Powers and to Turkish companies in which, on the

- \*Communiquée par le Ministère \*Communicated by His Britannic des Affaires étrangères de Sa Majesté Majesty's Foreign Office. britannique.
- (1) The deposit of the instruments of ratification took place: by Greece, February 11, 1924; by the British Empire, Italy and Japan, August 6, 1924.

1st June, 1921, the interests of the latter were preponderant, in a proportion corresponding to those interests, the sums which are due to them for the repayment of the value of goods requisitioned or seized by the Greek armies or administrative authorities, the sums due for services rendered to those armies and authorities which have not already been paid, as well as those due as compensation for other losses and damage suffered after the 1st June, 1921, by the said nationals and companies, resulting from the acts of the Greek armies or administrative authorities, other than loss and damage due to acts of war in the zone of active military operations.

Failing an agreement between the parties concerned and the Greek Government, the amounts due shall be determined by an arbitral tribunal consisting of a representative of the Greek Government, of a representative of the claimant, and of an umpire chosen by mutual agreement, or, failing agreement, by the President of the Permanent

Court of International Justice at the Hague.

The payments referred to in the foregoing provisions shall be effected by means of annuities spread over a period of forty years, calculated with an interest of 5 per cent., or according to such other mode of settlement as may be subsequently adopted by mutual agreement.

It is understood that debts resulting from contracts concluded in the occupied territory in Turkey by the Greek armies or administrative authorities between those armies or authorities, on the one part, and the nationals of the other contracting parties, and Turkish companies in which the interests of the latter were preponderant, on the other part, shall be effected by the Greek Government according to the provisions of those contracts.

The present convention shall be ratified; each signatory Power shall deposit its ratification in Paris at the same time as its ratification of the Treaty of Peace of to-day's date. It will come into force as soon as all the signatory Powers shall have deposited their ratifications, a date which will be established by a formal minute drawn up by the French Government.

In faith whereof the above-named plenipotentiaries have signed the present convention.

Done at Lausanne, the 24th July, 1923, in a single copy which will be deposited in the archives of the Government of the French Republic, who will transmit a certified copy to each of the signatory Powers.

HORACE RUMBOLD. PELLÉ. GARRONI. G. C. MONTAGNA. E. K. VENISELOS.

D. CACLAMANOS.