

UNIFORMITY OF NOMENCLATURE
FOR CLASSIFICATION OF MERCHANDISE
(INTER-AMERICAN)

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CONVENTION ON UNIFORMITY OF NOMENCLATURE FOR THE CLASSIFICATION
OF MERCHANDISE

Their Excellencies the Presidents of Venezuela, Panama, United States of America, Uruguay, Ecuador, Chile, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Brazil, Salvador, Colombia, Cuba, Paraguay, Dominican Republic, Honduras, Argentine Republic, and Hayti:

Being desirous that their respective countries may be represented at the Fifth International Conference of American States, have sent thereto the following Delegates, duly authorized to approve the recommendations, resolutions, conventions and treaties which they might deem advantageous to the interests of America.

Venezuela: Pedro César Dominici, César Zumeta, José Austria;

Panamá: Narciso Garay, José E. LeFevre;

United States of America: Henry P. Fletcher, Frank B. Kellogg, Atlee Pomerene, Willard Saulsbury, George E. Vincent, Frank C. Partridge, William Eric Fowler, Leo S. Rowe;

Uruguay: J. Antonio Buero, Justino Jiménez de Aréchaga, Eugenio Martínez Thedy;

Ecuador: Rafael M. Arízaga, José Rafael Bustamante, Alberto Muñoz Vernaza;

Chile: Agustín Edwards, Manuel Rivas Vicuña, Carlos Aldunate Solar,

¹ Pursuant to notice of withdrawal dated May 24, 1954.

Luis Barros Borgoño, Emilio Bello Codesido, Antonio Huneeus, Alcibíades Roldán, Guillermo Subercaseaux, Alejandro del Río;
Guatemala: Eduardo Poirier, Máximo Soto Hall;
Nicaragua: Carlos Cuadra Pasos, Arturo Elizondo;
Costa Rica: Alejandro Alvarado Quirós;
United States of Brazil: Afranio de Mello Franco, Sylvino Gurgel do Amaral, J. de P. Rodríguez Alves, A. de Ipanema Moreira, Helio Lobo;
El Salvador: Cecilio Bustamante;
Colombia: Guillermo Valencia, Laureano Gómez, Carlos Uribe Echeverri;
Cuba: José C. Vidal Caro, Carlos García Véllez, Arístides Agüero, Manuel Márquez Sterling;
Paraguay: Manuel Gondra, Higinio Arbo;
Dominican Republic: Tulio M. Cestero;
Honduras: Benjamín Villaseca Mujica;
Argentine Republic: Manuel Augusto Montes de Oca, Fernando Saguier, Manuel E. Malbrán;
Hayti: Arthur Rameau.

Who, after having presented their credentials and the same having been found in due and proper form, have agreed upon the following Convention:

ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties agree to employ the Brussels nomenclature of 1913 in their statistics of international commerce, either exclusively or as a supplement to other systems.

ARTICLE II

Any controversy which may arise between the High Contracting Parties regarding the interpretation or operation of this Convention shall be settled by arbitration.

ARTICLE III

The American States not represented at the Fifth International Conference may adhere to this Convention by communicating their decision in due form to the Government of the Republic of Chile.

ARTICLE IV

The deposit of ratifications shall be made in the city of Santiago, Chile. The Chilean Government shall communicate such ratifications to the other Signatory States. This communication shall have the effect of an exchange of ratifications.

ARTICLE V

This Convention shall become effective for each Signatory State on the date of the ratification thereof by such State. It shall remain in force without

limitation of time, but each Signatory State, upon notification of its intention to the Government of the Republic of Chile, may withdraw from said Convention upon the expiration of the period of one year counting from the date of the notification of such intention.

In witness whereof, the Delegates sign this Convention in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French and affix the seal of the Fifth International Conference of American States, in the city of Santiago, Chile, on the 3rd day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty three.

This Convention shall be filed in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Chile, in order that certified copies may be made and forwarded through appropriate diplomatic channels to each of the Signatory States.

For Venezuela:

PEDRO CÉSAR DOMINICI
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For Panama:

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For El Salvador:

CECILIO BUSTAMANTE

For Colombia:

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CARLOS URIBE ECHEVERRI

For Cuba:

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For Paraguay:

MANUEL GONDRA
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For Hayti:

ARTURO RAMEAU