

No. 265

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, NEW ZEALAND,
BELGIUM, CANADA, NICARAGUA, etc.**

**Protocol to prolong the International Sanitary Convention,
1944, modifying the International Sanitary Convention
of 21 June 1926. Opened for signature at Washington
on 23 April 1946**

*English and French official texts communicated by the Acting Representative
of the United States of America at the seat of the United Nations. The
registration took place on 26 July 1948.*

**ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE, NOUVELLE-ZELANDE,
BELGIQUE, CANADA, NICARAGUA, etc.**

**Protocole prorogeant la durée de la Convention sanitaire
internationale de 1944, portant modification de la Con-
vention sanitaire internationale du 21 juin 1926. Ouvert
à la signature à Washington le 23 avril 1946**

*Textes officiels anglais et français communiqués par le représentant par intérim
des Etats-Unis d'Amérique au siège de l'Organisation des Nations Unies.
L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 26 juillet 1948.*

No. 265. PROTOCOL¹ TO PROLONG THE INTERNATIONAL SANITARY CONVENTION, 1944,² MODIFYING THE INTERNATIONAL SANITARY CONVENTION OF 21 JUNE 1926.³ OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AT WASHINGTON ON 23 APRIL 1946

The Governments signatory to the present Protocol,

Considering that, unless prolonged in force by action taken for that purpose by the interested Governments, the International Sanitary Convention, 1944, Modifying the International Sanitary Convention of June 21, 1926, will expire on July 15, 1946, the expiration of eighteen months from the date on which the said 1944 Convention entered into force; and

Considering that it is desirable that the said 1944 Convention shall be prolonged in force after July 15, 1946 between the Governments parties thereto;

Have appointed their respective Plenipotentiaries who, having deposited their full powers, found in good and proper form, have agreed as follows:

¹ Came into force on 30 April 1946, by the signature thereof without reservation as to subsequent ratification on behalf of ten Governments in accordance with Article IV.

Parties to the Protocol:

By signature without reservation as to subsequent ratification, as from 30 April 1946:

New Zealand	China
Canada	Luxembourg
Nicaragua	Australia
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Haiti
Greece	France

By the deposit of the instrument of ratification:

United States of America.....	6 August 1946
By notification of accession:	

Poland	28 May 1946	tion, I have the honor, on behalf of my Government, to declare that the Convention does not apply to Greenland. My Government has further instructed me to declare that the Faroe Islands are exempted from the provisions of the Convention."
Dominican Republic	29 May 1946	
Honduras	8 July 1946	
Union of South Africa....	12 July 1946	
Italy	23 July 1946	
Denmark	23 August 1946	
Syria	31 October 1946	
India	28 August 1947	
Philippines	13 January 1948	
Netherlands	5 March 1948	

(Subject to the following reservations)
 "In notifying you of the Danish Government's accession to the International Sanitary Convention of 1944 and to the Protocol Prolonging this Convention, and with reference to Article XXIV of the Conven-

(On behalf of those parts of the Kingdom situated in Europe)

² See page 305 of this volume.

³ League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, Volume LXXVIII, page 229; Volume XCII, page 409; Volume CIV, page 513; Volume CVII, page 524; Volume CLXXII, page 411, and Volume CXCVIII, page 205.

Article I

Subject to the limitation provided for in Article II of the present Protocol, the International Sanitary Convention, 1944, Modifying the International Sanitary Convention of June 21, 1926, shall be prolonged in force on and after July 15, 1946, in respect of each of the Governments parties to the present Protocol, until the date on which such Government shall become bound by a further Convention amending or superseding the said 1944 Convention and the said 1926 Convention.

Article II

The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (hereinafter referred to as UNRRA) shall continue to perform the duties and functions assigned to it by the said 1944 Convention, as prolonged by the present Protocol, until such time as a new International Health Organization shall be established,¹ at which time such duties and functions shall be transferred to and shall be assumed by such new International Health Organization, provided that if the new International Health Organization has not been formed or, having been formed, is unable to perform the above duties and functions by the date on which UNRRA, owing to the termination of its activities in Europe or for any other reason, ceases to be able to perform them, those duties and functions shall be entrusted to the *Office International d'Hygiène Publique*² and the countries signatory to this Protocol will, in that event, make appropriate financial provisions so as to enable the *Office* to perform those duties and functions.

Article III

The present Protocol shall remain open for signature until May 1, 1946.

Article IV

The present Protocol shall come into force when it has been signed without reservation in regard to ratification, or instruments of ratification have been deposited or notifications of accession have been received on behalf of at least ten Governments. The present Protocol shall come into force in respect of each of the other signatory Governments on the date of signature on its behalf, unless such signature is made with a reservation in regard to ratification, in which event the present Protocol shall come into force in respect of such Government on the date of the deposit of its instrument of ratification.

¹ The Constitution of the World Health Organization, signed at New York, on 22 July 1946, came into force on 7 April 1948. See United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Volume 14, page 185; Volume 15, page 447, and Volume 16, page 364.

² *British and Foreign State Papers*, Volume 10, page 466. See also: Protocol concerning the *Office international d'hygiène publique*, signed at New York, on 22 July 1946. — United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Volume 9, page 66; Volume 10, page 376; Volume 11, page 421; Volume 12, page 417; Volume 13, page 474; Volume 14, page 492; Volume 15, page 445; Volume 16, page 363, and page 361 of this volume.

Article V

After May 1, 1946, the present Protocol shall be open to accession by any Government which is a party to the 1944 Convention and is not a signatory to the present Protocol. Each accession shall be notified in writing to the Government of the United States of America.

Accessions notified on or before the date on which the present Protocol enters into force shall be effective as of that date. Accessions notified after the date of the entry into force of the present Protocol shall become effective in respect of each Government upon the date of the receipt of that Government's notification of accession.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries sign the present Protocol, on the date indicated opposition their respective signatures, in the English and French languages, both texts being equally authentic, in a single original which shall be deposited in the archives of the Government of the United States of America and of which certified copies shall be furnished by the Government of the United States of America to each of the signatory and acceding Governments and to each of the Governments parties to the said 1944 Convention or the said 1926 Convention.

DONE at Washington this twenty-third day of April, 1946.

FOR NEW ZEALAND:



April 23, 1946

FOR BELGIUM:

Sous réserve de ratification⁽¹⁾,
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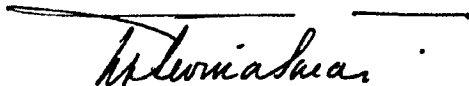
April 24, 1946

FOR CANADA:



April 25, 1946

FOR NICARAGUA:



April 26, 1946

¹ Subject to ratification.

FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND:

Halifax

April 29, 1946

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Subject to ratification.⁽¹⁾

Dean Rusk

April 30, 1946

FOR GREECE:

Pyromonopoulos

April 30, 1946

FOR CHINA:

魏道明

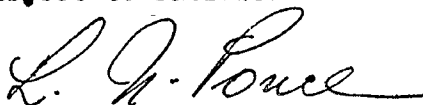
April 30, 1946

FOR LUXEMBOURG:

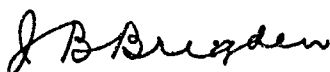
Haymer de Fallais

April 30, 1946

¹ Sous réserve de ratification.

FOR ECUADOR:Subject to ratification.⁽¹⁾

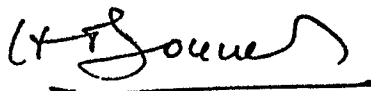
April 30, 1946

FOR AUSTRALIA:Subject to the reservations with which Australia acceded to the 1944 Convention to which this Protocol relates.⁽²⁾

April 30, 1946

FOR HAITI:

April 30, 1946

FOR FRANCE:

April 30, 1946

¹ Sous réserve de ratification.

² Compte tenu des réserves que l'Australie a formulées en adhérant à la Convention de 1944 à laquelle se rapporte le présent protocole.