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(Decision No. 97, August 3, 1931. Pages 281-287.)

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(Text of decision omitted.)

### THE NEW SABINAS COMPANY (LIMITED) (GREAT BRITAIN) v. UNITED MEXICAN STATES

(Decision No. 98, August 3, 1931. Pages 287-289.)

EVIDENCE BEFORE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNALS.—RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS OF FORCES. Evidence held sufficient to establish claim but claim not allowed in its entirety since some of the forces for whose acts claim was made came outside the scope of the compromis.

(Text of decision omitted.)

### FREDERICK ADAMS (GREAT BRITAIN) v. UNITED MEXICAN STATES

(Decision No. 99, August 3, 1931. Pages 289-291. See also decision No. 69.)

- Affidavits as evidence.—Necessity of Corroborating evidence. Unsupported affidavit of claimant *held* insufficient as evidence. An unauthenticated statement of another person which ascribed higher values to damage than claimant himself not accepted by tribunal as corroboration.
- RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS OF FORCES.—ACTS OF INDIVIDUALS. Tribunal held not competent to consider claim based on acts of individuals. Identity of forces responsible for acts complained of must be established. If complaint were made to the Governor of the State, proof thereof is desirable.
- 1. The Commission, in so far as the facts on which this claim is based are concerned, here refer to their Decision No. 69.
- 2. Once the Demurrer interposed by the Mexican Agent in the instant case had been overruled, and the evidence submitted in support thereof had been examined, the Commission entered upon an examination of the facts on which it was based, which are the following:
- (a) Forced abandonment of a property known as "El Roble" by Mr. J. F. Brooks, in September 1912, by reason of the general insecurity prevailing in the vicinity of Jalapa, Ver., as a consequence of revolutionary activities.