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## FOREWORD

The present volume of Reports of International Arbitral Awards continues the systematic collection of decisions of international claims commissions started with volume IV. Volumes IV and V include the decisions of the so-called Mexican Claims Commissions. Volume VI is devoted to the Arbitral Tribunal United States—Great Britain, the Tripartite Claims Commission United States. Austria and Hungary, and the General Claims Commission United States—Panama. The volume now being added to the series comprises the first part of a broad selection of the decisions rendered by the Mixed Claims Commission United States—Germany, constituted under the Agreement of August 10, 1922. Awards which are mere applications of previous decisions of the Commission, or which for any other reason are devoid of lasting interest, were omitted. The second and last part of the selection will be published in volume VIII.

The mode of presentation followed in this volume is the same as that used in volumes IV—VI. Each award is captioned under the name of the individual claimant, together with identification of the espousing and the respondent governments. Notation is made of the date of the award, any certificates of disagreement or separate opinions by the commissioners, and the original report from which the decision was drawn. A headnote or digest is offered in each case to facilitate its use in research by practitioners and students of international law. The index found at the end of this volume is based upon such headnotes, and is conceived in the manner set forth in the Foreword to volume VI.

An historical note relating to the establishment and work of the Commission and a general bibliography concerning the latter are included. With regard to each particular case, mention has been made under a heading "Cross-reference(s)" to any source or sources other than that from which the instant publication is made, while any specific discussions of the case have been listed under a heading "Bibliography", based on the general bibliography.

Since the appreciation of the decisions depends not only upon their contents, but also upon the terms of the Treaty of Berlin of August 25, 1921 and the Agreement of August 10, 1922, the texts of these two instruments are reprinted here.

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