

WHEREAS, the Agreement is designed to promote and facilitate the free exchange of ideas and knowledge and, in general, the widest possible dissemination of the diverse forms of self-expression used by civilizations which are vitally important to intellectual progress and international understanding, and consequently for the maintenance of world peace;

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for the unrestricted importation, free of customs duties or other charges, except internal taxes and charges; and that the Contracting States shall undertake to grant the necessary license and/or foreign exchange for the importation of the materials covered by the Agreement;

WHEREAS, Article IX of the Agreement provides that it shall be ratified and that the instrument of ratification shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines, having seen and considered the aforesaid Agreement, has found it desirable to ratify the same and has accordingly submitted it to the Senate of the Philippines for its concurrence as required by the Constitution of the Philippines; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate of the Philippines concur, as it hereby concurs, in the ratification of the Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials, which was opened for signature at Lake Success on November 22, 1950, and signed by the authorized representatives of the Philippines and of other countries.

Adopted, May 2, 1952.

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P. S. R. No. 110

[SENATE RESOLUTION No. 79]

RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP, CONSULAR SERVICE AND ESTABLISHMENTS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE KINGDOM OF GREECE, SIGNED AT MANILA ON AUGUST

TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY.

WHEREAS, the Treaty of Friendship, Consular Services and Establishments between the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Greece, which was concluded and signed at Manila on August 28, 1950, by the respective plenipotentiaries of the two Governments, has been submitted to the Senate of the Philippines for its concurrence in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the said Treaty is designed to strengthen and perpetuate the friendly relations so happily existing between the two governments;

WHEREAS, the said Treaty provides for an exchange of diplomatic and consular representatives between the two countries, who shall enjoy in the territories of the Other, the rights, privileges and immunities, generally recognized under international law and usage;

WHEREAS, the said Treaty also provides that the nationals of either country shall enjoy within the territories of the Other the right to acquire, possess and dispose of movable and immovable property, in all areas accessible to foreign citizens according to the laws of the respective country, to travel, to reside and to engage in trade, industry and other peaceful and lawful pursuits, subject always to the Constitution, Laws and regulations promulgated, or which may hereafter be promulgated, by the Other; and that they shall enjoy in matters of procedure, the same treatment as is accorded to the nationals of the Other, with respect to the protection, security of their persons and property and in regard to all judicial, administrative and other legal proceedings;

WHEREAS, the said Treaty further provides that all disputes except those relating to matters considered respectively by the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Greece as being essentially of their national competence, which cannot satisfactorily be adjusted by diplomacy, or thru mediation or arbitration, shall be referred to the International Court of Justice for final adjudication; and

WHEREAS, it is likewise provided that no provision of this Treaty should be construed to apply or refer to treatments, advantages or privileges which are now or may hereafter be granted to the United States of America, or to its citizens, associations or corporations; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate of the Philippines concur, as it hereby concurs, in the Treaty of Friendship, Consular Service, and Establishments between the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Greece which was concluded and signed at Manila on August 28, 1950.

Adopted, May 2, 1952.

P. S. R. No. 112

[SENATE RESOLUTION No. 80]

RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION FOR THE AMELIORATION OF THE SICK, WOUNDED AND SHIPWRECKED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AT SEA OF AUGUST TWELVE, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE.

WHEREAS, the Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of the Armed Forces at Sea of August 12, 1949, was signed by the authorized representatives of the Philippines and of other countries;

WHEREAS, the Convention provides, among others, that members of the Armed Forces and other persons covered by the Convention shall be treated humanely and cared for by the Parties to the conflict in whose powers they may be, without any adverse distinction founded on sex, race, nationality, religion, political opinion, or any other similar criteria; that Parties to the conflict shall forward to the information bureau described in Art. 122 of the Geneva Convention of August 12, 1949, relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of all record in respect of each shipwrecked, wounded and sick or dead person of the adverse party falling into their hands; military hospital ships built and equipped by the Powers specially and solely with a