
ITALY AND
KINGDOM OF THE SERBS,
CROATS AND SLOVENES

Convention regarding the former Südabahn System situated on the Fiume Territory. Signed at Belgrade, July 14, 1924.
1 Traduction. — Translation.

No. 1878. — Convention 2 between the Kingdom of Italy and the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes regarding the former Südbahn system situated on the Fiume territory. Signed at Belgrade, July 14, 1924.

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His Majesty the King of Italy and His Majesty the King of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, with a view to the definite settlement of the questions left outstanding after the conclusion of the Agreement concerning the administrative and technical reorganisation of the Sudbahn, as regards the portion of the railway situated on the Fiume territory, have resolved to conclude a special Convention for this purpose, and have appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:

His Majesty the King of Italy:
His Excellency General Alessandro Bodrero, Grand Cross of the Order of the Crown of Italy, Officer of the Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus, Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sava and Commander of the White Eagle with Swords, His Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of His Majesty the King of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes;
M. Lodovico Lucioli, Grand Cross of the Orders of Saints Maurice and Lazarus and of the Crown of Italy, Grand Cross of the Order of St. Sava, Counsellor of State; and

His Majesty the King of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes:
His Excellency Dr. Svatislav Popovitch, Grand Officer of the Order of St. Sava, Knight of the Order of the White Eagle, Minister for Communications;
M. Sava Koukititch, Grand Officer of the Order of St. Sava and Grand Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy, former Director-General of Customs;

Who, having communicated their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows:

Article 1.

The rights in respect of that portion of the Danube-Save-Adriatic Railway Company's system (formerly the Southern Railway Company) which is situated in the territory of Fiume, resulting from the Agreement 3 concerning the administrative and technical reorganisation of the Southern

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1 Traduit par le Secrétariat de la Société des Nations, à titre d'information.
2 Translated by the Secretariat of the League of Nations, for information.
3 The exchange of ratifications took place at Rome, November 14, 1928.
3 Vol. XXIII, page 255, of this Series.
Railway Company's system and from the special Convention for the Regulation of Transit and Communications signed at Rome on March 29, 1923, shall be granted to the Kingdom of Italy, which shall alone be qualified to exercise them, to fix carriage rates for that portion of the railway and to collect receipts.

Article 2.

The share of the rolling stock, amounting to 0.3 %, "reserved" in the above-mentioned Agreement, shall be definitely assigned to the Kingdom of Italy, which shall bear all the financial charges specified in the Agreement and corresponding to the above share, including in particular the payment of the annual rent.

Article 3.

The ownership of the above-mentioned portion of the railway in question situated in the territory of Fiume and of its accessories shall revert at the appointed time to the Kingdom of Italy, and the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes agree that the rights of operation and reversion in respect of the said portion of the system situated in the territory of Fiume shall be registered in the name of the Kingdom of Italy.

Article 4.

Accordingly, the sums payable in respect of the above-mentioned rent shall in no circumstances be debited to the joint account to be made out at the end of each month in accordance with the provisions of Articles 34 and 35 of the Supplementary Convention to the Agreement ¹ between the Kingdom of Italy and the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes concerning Fiume, signed at Rome on January 27, 1924.

Article 5.

The present Convention shall replace the Provisional Protocol annexed to the Rome Agreement concerning the administrative and technical reorganisation of the Southern Railway Company's system of March 29, 1923. It shall form an integral part of that Agreement and shall be communicated to the Governments of the Republic of Austria and the Kingdom of Hungary.

Article 6.

The present Convention shall be ratified and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Belgrade as soon as possible. It shall come into force on the date of the exchange of ratifications.

In faith whereof the Plenipotentiaries have signed the present Convention and have thereto affixed their seals.

Done in duplicate at Belgrade on July 14, 1924.

(L. S.) (Signed) BODRERO.  (L. S.) (Signed) Svetslav POPOVITCH.
(L. S.) (Signed) L. LUCIOLLI.  (L. S.) (Signed) S. R. KOUKITCH.

¹ Vol. XXIV, page 31, of this Series.