No 4080.

ALBANIE, ALLEMAGNE,
GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET IRLANDE DU NORD,
BULGARIE, ÉGYPTE, etc.

Convention internationale sur la protection mutuelle contre la fièvre dengue. Signée à Athènes, le 25 juillet 1934.

ALBANIA, GERMANY,
GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND,
BULGARIA, EGYPT, etc.

No. 4080. — INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE MUTUAL PROTECTION AGAINST DENGUE FEVER. SIGNED AT ATHENS, JULY 25TH, 1934.

French official text communicated by the Permanent Delegate of Greece to the League of Nations. The registration of this Convention took place March 27th, 1937.

His Majesty the King of Albania, the President of the German Reich, His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, His Majesty the King of Bulgaria, His Majesty the King of Egypt, the President of the Spanish Republic, the President of the French Republic, the President of the Greek Republic, His Majesty the King of Italy, His Majesty the King of Roumania, the President of the Turkish Republic, the President of the Central Executive Council of the U.S.S.R., His Majesty the King of Yugoslavia,

Being desirous of co-operating for the purpose of preventing and combating the propagation of dengue fever, and considering that the measures to be taken to this end should be determined by a Convention;

Have decided to conclude a Convention for this purpose, and have nominated as their Plenipotentiaries the following:

His Majesty the King of Albania:

M. Sotir Laci, Albanian Chargé d’Affaires ad interim at Athens;

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1 Traduction du Foreign Office de Sa Majesté britannique. 1 Translation of His Britannic Majesty's Foreign Office.

2 Deposit of ratifications at Athens:

FRANCE (including Algeria, Tunis, Morocco (French Zone), Syria and Lebanon) ....... ....... ...

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (including Malta, Cyprus, Palestine (including Transjordan), Kenya (Colony and Protectorate), Zanzibar and the Tanganyika Territory) ............

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ROUMANIA ............

EGYPT ...............

GERMANY .............

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ....

TURKEY ..............

GREECE ..............

Deposit of ratifications at Athens:

FRANCE (including Algeria, Tunis, Morocco (French Zone), Syria and Lebanon) ....... ....... ... February 25th, 1935.

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (including Malta, Cyprus, Palestine (including Transjordan), Kenya (Colony and Protectorate), Zanzibar and the Tanganyika Territory) ............ April 3rd, 1935.

ITALY ................. July 10th, 1935.

ROUMANIA ............ July 15th, 1935.

EGYPT ............... October 8th, 1935.

GERMANY ............. February 6th, 1936.

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS .... June 23rd, 1936.

TURKEY .............. October 9th, 1936.

GREECE .............. February 5th, 1937.

Accessions:

PORTUGAL ............ February 11th, 1935.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA .... April 16th, 1935.

DENMARK ............ May 16th, 1935.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA ........ December 30th, 1936.

Came into force March 25th, 1935.
The President of the German Reich:
His Excellency M. Ernst Eisenlohr, German Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India:
For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:
His Excellency Mr. Sydney Waterlow, C.B.E., His Britannic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

His Majesty the King of Bulgaria:
His Excellency M. Pierre Neicov, Bulgarian Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

His Majesty the King of Egypt:
His Excellency Ali Serry Omar Bey, Egyptian Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

The President of the Spanish Republic:
His Excellency M. Pedro Garcia Conde, Spanish Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

The President of the French Republic:
His Excellency M. Adrien Thierry, French Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

The President of the Greek Republic:
His Excellency M. Andre Delmouzos, Director-General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary;

His Majesty the King of Italy:
His Excellency Signor Pierfilippo De Rossi Nobile Del Lion Nero, Italian Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

His Majesty the King of Roumania:
His Excellency M. C. Langa Rascano, Roumanian Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

The President of the Turkish Republic:
Rifki Refik Bey, Turkish Chargé d’Affaires ad interim at Athens;

The President of the Central Executive Council of the U.S.S.R.:
His Excellency M. Michel Kozesky, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the U.S.S.R. at Athens;

His Majesty the King of Yugoslavia:
His Excellency M. Bochko Christitch, Yugoslavian Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Athens;

Who, having communicated their full powers, found in good and due form, are agreed upon the following provisions:

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Article 1.

On the appearance of dengue fever in epidemic form in any of the territories to which the present Convention applies, the Chief Health Authority of the territory shall notify the sanitary authorities of all the other territories to which the Convention applies.

It shall keep the Office international d’hygiène publique informed of the course of the epidemic.

Article 2.

When in any of the territories to which the present Convention applies, an epidemic of dengue fever shall be discovered in a port or in a district adjoining a port, the sanitary authority of the said port shall recommend captains of vessels and ships’ doctors, if such are on board, immediately after leaving the port, to search out and destroy mosquitoes and their larvæ in all the accessible parts of the ship, especially in the cabins, crew’s quarters, store rooms, kitchens, stoke holes, water containers, and all places likely to harbour mosquitoes.

The sanitary authority shall request the doctor, or failing him the captain, to take such measures, as may be necessary to ensure that if cases of dengue fever occur on board the patients may be isolated under conditions such that they cannot be bitten by mosquitoes.

Article 3.

In any of the territories to which this Convention applies, all ships, coming from a port in which there is an epidemic of dengue fever and arriving in a port whose sanitary authority has reason to fear that the disease may spread owing to the presence of a larger number of mosquitoes capable of transmitting it, may be subjected to the following measures:

(a) Boarding. — The doctor, or failing him the captain, shall give a reply to the question:

"Are there, or have there been, on board any persons suffering from dengue fever?"

(b) Medical Inspection. — Patients who have developed dengue fever within less than five days and desire to leave the ship shall be landed by day and shall be isolated on land, in accordance with the instructions of the competent sanitary authority, under conditions which shelter them from mosquito bites, until a period of five days has elapsed since the illness began.

(c) Inspection of the ship in order to ascertain that there are no stegomyia on board, taking into account any measures already taken on the voyage. If any stegomyia are found on board the sanitary authority may have the mosquitoes destroyed.

(d) In exceptional cases, the sanitary authority of the port may, if he considers that circumstances render it necessary, place under surveillance those passengers who have disembarked and confine the crew on board except for purposes of duty, until a period of eight days has elapsed since they were exposed to risk.

Article 4.

When an epidemic of dengue fever has broken out in one of the territories to which the present Convention applies, and which has a land frontier bordering on another territory to which the Convention also applies, the sanitary authorities of the latter territory may, if they consider it necessary, take the following measures at the frontier:

(a) Passengers may be placed under surveillance for a period not exceeding eight days from the day of exposure to the infection.
(b) Passengers suspected of having developed dengue fever within less than five days may be isolated according to the instructions of the sanitary authorities in conditions in which they are protected from mosquito bites until a period of five days has elapsed from the beginning of the illness.

Article 5.

The measures set out in Articles 3 and 4 shall be considered as constituting the maximum limits within which the Governments shall determine the procedure to be adopted respectively in ports and at land frontiers.

Article 6.

The present Convention shall bear to-day’s date.
The present Convention shall be ratified and the ratifications shall be deposited as soon as possible with the Government of the Greek Republic, which shall communicate every ratification to the contracting or acceding States.

Article 7.

It is open to any country which has not signed the Convention to accede to it.

Accessions shall be communicated by the diplomatic channel to the Government of the Greek Republic, which shall inform all the contracting or acceding Governments.

Article 8.

The present Convention shall come into force when one month has elapsed after the Greek Government has received the ratifications or accessions of two Governments.
Accessions or ratifications received after the date on which this Convention comes into force, in accordance with the preceding paragraph, shall take effect one month after the date on which they have been received by the Greek Government.

Article 9.

1. Each of the High Contracting Parties may declare, either at the time of signature, or of the deposit of his ratification or accession, that his acceptance of the present Convention refers only to the countries mentioned in his declaration, and that the Convention will be applied solely to the territories mentioned therein. The declaration may be limited to the metropolitan territories of the Government making the declaration, or to one or more of its protectorates, or colonies, or territories under mandate.

2. Each of the contracting Governments may subsequently notify the Government of the Greek Republic that it desires to apply the Convention to any territory not mentioned in the declaration, in accordance with the preceding paragraph, whether the declaration was made by the metropolitan territory, or by one of its colonies, protectorates or territories under mandate.

3. Each of the contracting Governments may, after the expiration of five years from the time the Convention comes into force, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 8, notify to the Government of the Greek Republic that it desires that the present Convention should cease to apply to certain of its territories to which it applies under the above-mentioned paragraph of this Article, and the Convention shall cease to apply to the territories mentioned in this declaration six months after the date on which the notification is received by the Government of the Greek Republic.

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4. The Government of the Greek Republic shall communicate every declaration or notification received under the preceding paragraph of this Article to all the Governments which have signed or acceded.

5. The present Convention shall be deposited in the archives of the Greek Government and communicated for registration to the Secretariat of the League of Nations as soon as it comes into force in accordance with Article 8.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the present Convention.

Done at Athens, the 25th July, 1934, in a single copy, which shall remain deposited in the archives of the Greek Government, and of which copies certified as being correct shall be transmitted to the other Contracting Parties.

For Albania:
Sotir Laci.

For Germany:
Ernst Eisenlohr.

For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:
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