

RESOLUTIONS

Unanimously Adopted by the

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE ROERICH PACT AND BANNER OF PEACE

NOVEMBER 18, 1933 WASHINGTON, D. C.

With the Participation of Official Delegates from Twenty-seven Nations, and Observers from Seven Nations.

WHEREAS the World's cultural achievements constitute the greatest treasures of the human race, and are the common heritage of all humanity,

AND WHEREAS injury to these treasures is a violence against the common benefits of mankind and of the future,

AND WHEREAS the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace have been created by Nicholas Roerich, internationally renowned artist and cultural leader, for the protection of churches and all religious monuments, temples, shrines, museums, libraries, universities, and other monuments and treasures of culture and all natural sites and their designation by the Banner of Peace as inviolable and neutral at all times,

AND WHEREAS the Roerich Pact has been unanimously endorsed by the International Museums' Committee of the League of Nations as well as by numerous governmental and learned bodies and numerous leaders in the world of culture,

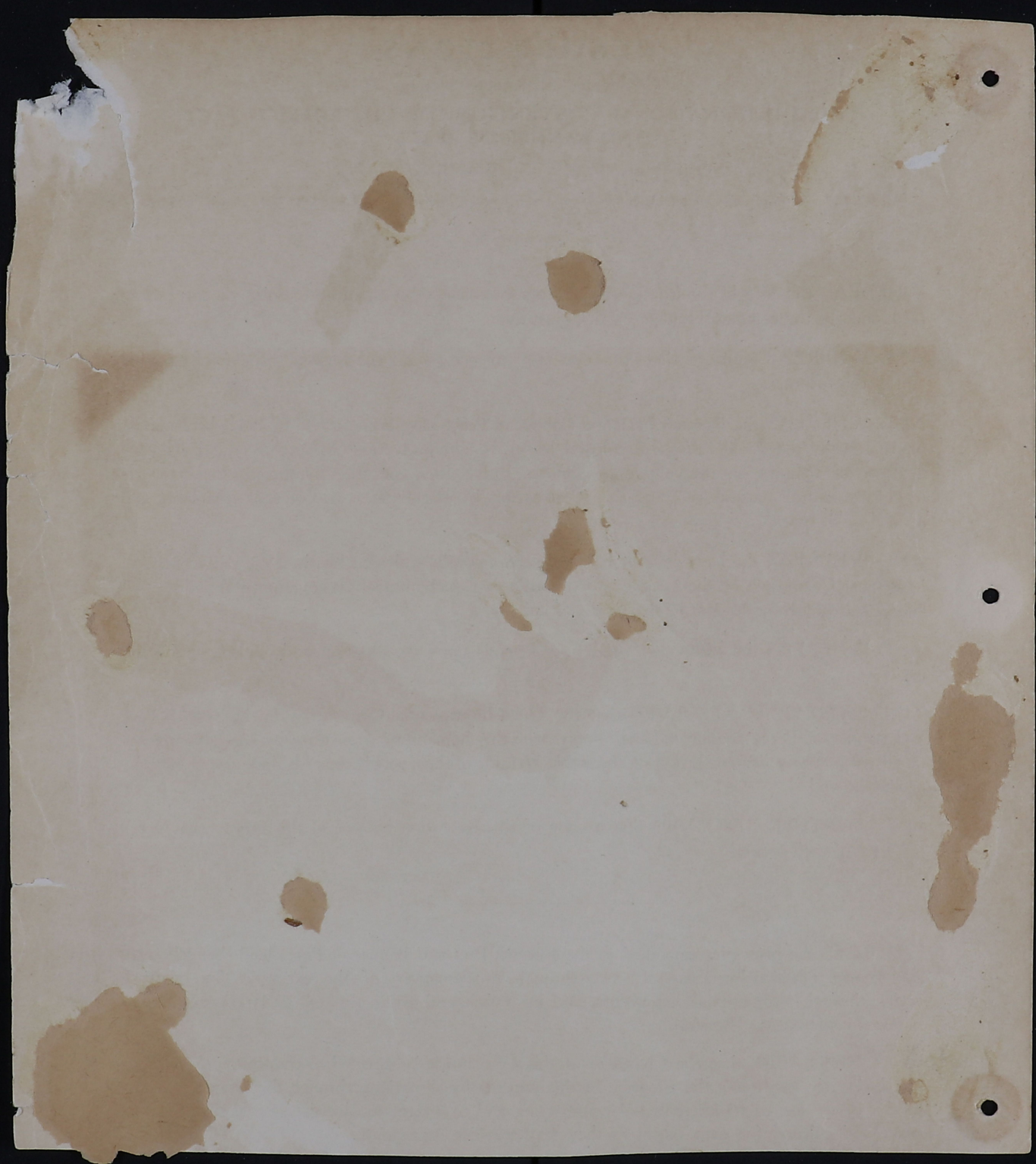
AND WHEREAS the efficacy of this cause depends upon its adoption and application by the nations,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Third International Convention for the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace recommend the adoption of this humanitarian measure by the governments of all nations as a demonstration of the noble attitude of their people towards the cause of cultural protection and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the appropriate representative of each nation.

WHEREAS the principles embodied in the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace lend themselves to adoption or adhesion by unilateral action through proclamations of the executive, by bilateral action through international agreements, and by multilateral action through declarations of international conferences, Therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Convention be directed to transmit copies of the Resolution recommending the adoption of this measure by all nations, through the proper channels to the Governments, to international conferences, and to international organizations working for peace and culture, for such action as they may consider appropriate.



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For release afternoon November 18th and morning November 19th.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND WORLD GOVERNMENTS
ASKED TO ADOPT ROERICH PACT AND PEACE BANNER

Third International Convention for Protection of Cultural Treasures
Recommends Action by Governments

Recommending to the President of the United States and to the Governments of the world, as well as to all international conferences, the adoption of the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace, the Third International Convention for the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace closed its session on November 18th, before representatives of 33 countries as well as delegates from cultural institutions of the world.

The countries represented include Argentina, ^{Brazil} Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Irish Free State, Japan, Lithuania, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Persia, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, Venezuela and Yugoslavia. Observers were sent by Belgium, Italy, Netherlands, Turkey, ^{Germany} France, and Albania.

The Resolutions adopted were as follows:

WHEREAS, the World's cultural achievements constitute the greatest treasures of the human race, and are the common heritage of all humanity,
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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Third International Convention for the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace recommend the adoption of this humanitarian measure by the nations, and implore Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, again to demonstrate his noble attitude towards the cause of cultural protection, by adopting this measure and sponsoring its adoption by the other nations of the world.
AND BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Resolution be sent to Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States.

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The Hon. Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, was Protector of the Convention and represented the Hon. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, and read his message. U. S. Senator Robert L. Wagner was Honorary Chairman; Prof. Nicholas Roerich, creator of the Roerich Pact, who is now in the Himalayas, and Mme. Roerich are the Honorary Presidents and Mr. Louis L. Horch, President of the Roerich Museum, was Chairman.

In addition to Secretary Wallace and the delegates of the nations, the speakers included: Mr. Louis L. Horch, Rt. Rev. Bishop J. E. Freeman, Leon Dabo, Hon. Sol Bloom, Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, Hon. J. P. Pope, Prof. Ralph V. D. Magoffin, Mrs. Sina Lichtmann, Mr. Henry James Forman, Most Reverend James H. Ryan, Dr. E. Gil Borges, Mrs. Nettie S. Horch, ~~Hon. William H. King~~, Rear Admiral J. K. Taussig, Dr. James Brown Scott, Miss E. J. Lichtmann, Dr. Frederick B. Robinson, Miss Frances R. Grant, ~~Dr. Jaroslav Novak~~, M. M. Lichtmann, Dr. Frederick L. Kettner, Hon. Charles Moore, Mr. George Grebenstchikoff, Mr. J. G. Phelps Stokes, Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole, Ven. Anagarika Lhasshekankrakrya, Mrs. Edith B. Cullis, Sra. Carlos Lee, Mrs. Margaret Eyre Rothwell, ~~Dr. Dagobert Runes~~, J. Earl Schrack, M. Dzambulatski, General Alfredo de Leon, Mrs. Rabia Martin, Dr. Emanuel de Marney Baruch, and Mrs. Sundar Giffen, and Dr. Charles Fleischer.

The Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace was created and promulgated by Nicholas Roerich in 1929. Briefly, it provides that educational, artistic and scientific institutions, artistic and scientific missions, works of art and cultural sites and monuments of all kinds be respected in times of peace and war. To insure this a Banner was created by which such museums, universities, churches, cathedrals, libraries, and any other sites constituting a cultural, educational, or artistic center, be declared inviolable.

The Convention was the first to be held in this country. The previous two conventions have been held in the city of Bruges, Belgium, under the auspices of that city, and with Dr. Adatci, President of the Permanent Court of International Justice at the Hague, as Protector.

With the adoption of this measure by the nations, all artistic, scientific, religious and educational sites will become neutral and the Roerich Banner of Peace will mark these monuments in token of their inviolability.

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The following is a certified copy of the RESOLUTION, voicing tribute to Professor Nicholas Roerich, proposed by His Excellency, the Minister of the Republic of Panama, and unanimously passed by the Third International Roerich Peace Banner Convention at the Session held on the morning of November 18, 1933, at Washington, D. C.

The Minister of Panama, His Excellency, Senor Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro, asked to be recognized by the Chair, and then offered the following

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, this Convention was called together for the purpose of endorsing the high cultural achievements and ideals for the preservation of the priceless treasures of art, education and science advocated by Professor Nicholas Roerich, AND WHEREAS this Convention has endorsed these ideals, THEREFORE, be it resolved that this Third International Convention for the World Wide Adoption of the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace, recognizes, applauds and commends the high purpose of character and unceasing efforts with which Professor Nicholas Roerich has carried on his great humanitarian work in the promotion of peace and culture, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman be instructed to send a copy of this Resolution to Professor Roerich.

Louis L. Horch

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Chairman of the Third International
Roerich Peace Banner Convention.

The following is a certificate of the
Board of Directors of the
Company, dated this 1st day of
January, 1911, at New York, N.Y.

The transfer of shares, the
amount of which is set forth in the
following

has been duly authorized by the
Board of Directors of the
Company, and the same has been
properly recorded in the
books of the Company, and the
same is hereby certified to be
correct and true.

John J. Brown

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Secretary of the Board of Directors
of the Company