

Argentina

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The Secretary of State,

Washington.

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By Decree No. 3185, dated January 31, 1946, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship is authorized to take the necessary step in order that Argentina may join the International Monetary Fund and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. In the preamble to the decree, it is stated that although the Government of the Argentine nation was not a signatory to the Bretton Woods Agreements, the Argentine Government cannot remain indifferent to the reorganization of international finances of the community of nations of which it forms part. This action on the part of Argentina is in accordance with the provisions of Article II - Section 2 of the first Bretton Woods Agreement and of Article II - Section 1 of the second agreement.

The Embassy has been informed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship that the Argentine Embassy in Washington has been instructed to make proposals to the proper authorities to this effect.

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cc 3/8/46 Glasser, Luxford, Mikesell, Bernstein, Eddy, Gunter, Horne, Brenner, E. Hebbard, May.