

# AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

## COPYRIGHT CONVENTION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND HUNGARY.

*Signed at Budapest, January 30, 1912.*

*Ratification advised by the Senate, July 23, 1912.*

*Ratified by the President, July 31, 1912.*

*Ratified by Hungary, August 12, 1912.*

*Ratifications exchanged at Washington, September 16, 1912.*

*Proclaimed, October 15, 1912.*

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

### A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas a copyright convention between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Hungary was concluded and signed by their respective Plenipotentiaries at Budapest, on the thirtieth day of January one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the original of which convention, being in the English and Hungarian languages is word for word as follows:

The President of the United States of America, and His Majesty the Emperor of Austria, King of Bohemia etc. and Apostolic King of Hungary,

Desiring to provide between the United States of America and Hungary for a reciprocal legal protection in regard to copyright of the citizens and subjects of the two countries, have, to this end, decided to conclude a convention, and have appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America: Richard C. Kerens, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to His Imperial and Royal Apostolic Majesty; and His Majesty the Emperor of Austria, King of Bohemia etc. and Apostolic King of Hungary: Count Paul Esterházy, baron of Galántha, viscount of Franknó, Privy Councillor and Chamberlain, Chief of section in the Ministry of the Imperial and Royal House and of Foreign Affairs, and Dr. Gustavus de Töry, Secretary of State in the Royal Hungarian Ministry of Justice;

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

#### ARTICLE 1.

Authors who are citizens or subjects of one of the two countries or their assigns shall enjoy in the other country, for their literary, artistic, dramatic, musical and photographic works (whether unpublished or published in one of the two countries) the same rights which the respective laws do now or may hereafter grant to natives.

The above provision includes the copyright control of mechanical musical reproductions.

## ARTICLE 2.

The enjoyment and the exercise of the rights secured by the present Convention are subject to the performance of the conditions and formalities prescribed by the laws and regulations of the country where protection is claimed under the present Convention; such enjoyment and such exercise are independent of the existence of protection in the country of origin of the work.

## ARTICLE 3.

The term of copyright protection granted by the present Convention shall be regulated by the law of the country where protection is claimed.

## ARTICLE 4.

The present Convention shall be ratified and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Washington as soon as possible.

## ARTICLE 5.

The present Convention shall be put in force one month after the exchange of ratifications, and shall remain in force until the termination of a year from the day on which it may have been denounced.

In faith whereof the Plenipotentiaries have signed the present convention in two copies, each in the English and Hungarian languages, and have affixed thereto their seals.

Done at Budapest, the 30th day of January 1912.

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[SEAL.]

RICHARD C KERENS  
ESTERHÁZY PÁL  
TÖRY GUSZTÁV

And whereas the said convention has been duly ratified on both parts, and the ratifications of the two Governments were exchanged in the city of Washington, on the sixteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and twelve;

Now therefore be it known that I, William Howard Taft, President of the United States of America, have caused the said convention to be made public, to the end that the same and every article and clause thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States and the citizens thereof.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this fifteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and  
[SEAL.] twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-seventh.

WM H TAFT

By the President:

ALVEY A. ADEE

*Acting Secretary of State.*