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The Balkan Peace Treaty.  
The Official Text.

Bukharest, August 10.

The following is <sup>a</sup> ~~that~~ translation of the text of the Treaty of Peace signed in Bukharest this morning.

The King of Bulgaria on the one hand and the Kings of the Hellenes, Montenegro, Rumania and Servia on the other, animated by the desire to put an end to the state of war at present existing between their five respective countries and wishing in the interests of order to establish peace between their long tried peoples, resolved to conclude a definitive treaty of Peace and named their plenipotentiaries (Here follows a list of delegates).

An agreement having been happily reached it was decided:

Article I Peace and amity shall exist between the King of the Bulgarians and the other sovereigns as also between their heirs and successors.

Article II The Rumano-Bulgarian frontier rectified in conformity with the annexe of Protocol 5 shall start from the Danube above Turtukai and terminate on the Black Sea to the south of Akrania. It is formally agreed that Bulgaria shall dismantle within two years the existing fortifications at Rustchuk and Shumla and in a zone of twenty kilometres round Balchik. A mixed commission shall within a fortnight mark out on the spot

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the new frontier and proceed at the partition of the property intersected by the new frontier. In cases of disagreement an arbitrator shall decide as a last resort.

Article III The Serbo-Bulgarian frontier fixed in conformity with the annexe of Protocol 9 shall start from the old frontier of the Partarica mountain and follow the old Turco-Bulgarian frontier and the watershed between the Vardar and the Struma with the exception that the Upper valley of the Strumitza shall remain Servian. The frontier shall terminate at the mountain of Belasica where it will join the Graeco-Bulgarian frontier. A Mixed Commission shall in a fortnight trace the new boundary and superintend the partition under arbitration of the property intersected by the new frontier.

Article IV Is added as a postscriptum. It provides that questions relating to the old Serbo-Bulgarian frontier shall be settled in accordance with the agreements arrived at between the contracting parties in conformity with the annexed Protocol.

Article V The Graeco-Bulgarian frontier fixed in conformity with Protocol 9, shall start from the new Serbo-Bulgarian frontier on the crest of the Belasica Planina and terminate at the mouth of the River Mesta on the Aegean Sea. A Mixed Commission with arbitration is provided for as in the previous Article. It is formally agreed that Bulgaria henceforth waives all claim to the island of Crete.

Article VI The headquarters of the respective armies shall  
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be informed of the signature of the Treaty. The Bulgarian Government engages to begin demobilising on the day following the signature of peace. Troops the garrison of which is situated in the zone of occupation of the belligerent army shall be sent to some other point ~~in~~ on old Bulgarian territory and shall not return to their usual garrison until after the evacuation of the zone of occupation.

~~Article VII~~ The evacuation of Bulgarian territory shall begin immediately after the demobilisation of the Bulgarian army and shall be completed within a fortnight.

Article VIII During the occupation of Bulgarian territory the armies while ~~retaining~~ retaining the right of requisition in return for payment in cash shall have the free use of the railways for transport and provisioning purposes without paying compensation to the local authorities. The sick and wounded are to be under the protection of the above armies.

Article IX As soon as possible prisoners of war shall be mutually surrendered. The Governments will present a statement of direct expenses incurred in respect of the care and maintenance of prisoners.

Article X The present Treaty shall be ratified and the ratifications exchanged at Bukharest within a fortnight or sooner if possible. In faith whereof the respective ~~plenipotentiaries~~ plenipotentiaries signed their names and affixed their seals.

Given at Bukharest July 28 (O.S.) August 10 (N.S.).

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