

Policy of Congress
against debt cancella-
tion, etc., declared.

and (2) be subject to the same terms and conditions as payments under such original agreement.

SEC. 5. It is hereby expressly declared to be against the policy of Congress that any of the indebtedness of foreign countries to the United States should be in any manner canceled or reduced; and nothing in this joint resolution shall be construed as indicating a contrary policy, or as implying that favorable consideration will be given at any time to a change in the policy hereby declared.

Approved, December 23, 1931.

[CHAPTER 6.]

AN ACT

December 24, 1931.
[S. 930.]
[Public, No. 1.]

Limiting the operation of sections 109 and 113 of the Criminal Code with respect to counsel in the case of the Appalachian Electric Power Company against George Otis Smith, and others.

Federal Power Com-
mission.
Certain limitations
of Penal Code waived
with respect to counsel
for.
Vol. 35, pp. 1107, 1109.
U. S. C. pp. 474, 475.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That nothing in sections 109 and 113 of the Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the penal laws of the United States," approved March 4, 1909, as amended (U. S. C., title 18, secs. 198 and 203), or of any other Act of Congress forbidding any person in the employ of the United States or acting in any official capacity under them from acting as agent or attorney for another before any department or branch of the Government or from receiving pay for so acting shall be deemed to apply to counsel serving in the case of the Appalachian Electric Power Company against George Otis Smith, and others, now pending in the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Virginia.

Approved, December 24, 1931.

[CHAPTER 7.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 20, 1932.
[S. J. Res. 79.]
[Pub. Res., No. 6.]

To provide an appropriation for expenses of participation by the United States in a general disarmament conference to be held in Geneva in 1932.

Disarmament confer-
ence.
Appropriation au-
thorized for partici-
pation expenses at Ge-
neva, 1932.
Post, pp. 35, 783.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of \$450,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the expenses of participation by the United States in a general disarmament conference to be held in Geneva in 1932, and for each and every purpose connected therewith, including transportation and subsistence or per diem in lieu thereof (notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act), personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, without reference to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, stenographic and other services by contract if deemed necessary without regard to the provisions of section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 41, sec. 5), rent of offices and rooms, purchase of necessary books and documents, printing and binding, official cards, entertainment, hire, maintenance, and operation of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles, the reimbursement of other appropriations from which payments may have been made for any of the purposes herein specified, and such other expenses as may be authorized by the Secretary of State.

R. S., sec. 3709, p. 733.
U. S. C., p. 1309.

Approved, January 20, 1932.