SEC. 13. (a) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated from time to time such sums as may be necessary for carrying out the purposes and provisions of the Convention and this Act, including— Appropriations.

(1) necessary travel expenses of the United States Commissioners without regard to the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, as amended, the Travel Expense Act of 1949, or section 10 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (U. S. C., title 5, sec. 73b); and 63 Stat. 166. 5 USC 835 note. 60 Stat. 808.

(2) the United States share of the joint expenses of the Commission; provided that the Commissioners shall not, with respect to commitments concerning the United States share of the joint expenses of the Commission, be subject to the provisions of section 262 (b) of title 22 of the United States Code insofar as they limit the authority of United States representatives to international organizations with respect to such commitments. 66 Stat. 550. 22 USC 262b.

(b) Such funds as shall be made available to the Secretary of the Interior for research and related activities shall be expended to carry out the program of the Commission in accordance with recommendations of the United States Section.

SEC. 14. If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision to any circumstances or persons shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Act and the applicability of such provision to other circumstances or persons shall not be affected thereby. Separability.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

August 13, 1954
[S. J. Res. 67]

To repeal certain World War II laws relating to return of fishing vessels, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective upon the enactment of this joint resolution, the following statutory provisions are repealed: Repeals.

(a) The Act of April 29, 1943, entitled "An Act to authorize the return to private ownership of certain vessels formerly used or suitable for use in the fisheries or industries related thereto", as amended (Public Law 44, Seventy-eighth Congress, 57 Stat. 69; Public Law 305, Seventy-eighth Congress, 58 Stat. 223; Public Law 716, Seventy-ninth Congress, 60 Stat. 976; 50 War App. U. S. C. 1301–1305). Fishing vessels. Return to private ownership.

(b) The Act of August 10, 1946, entitled "An Act relating to the sale by the United States of surplus vessels suitable for fishing" (Public Law 717, Seventy-ninth Congress, 60 Stat. 977; 50 War App. U. S. C. 1306–1308). Notwithstanding the enactment of this joint resolution, the aforesaid statutory provisions shall apply to any vessels which prior to such enactment have been declared available for return to former owners by notice to the Department of Commerce under the Act of April 29, 1943, as amended, or determined to be surplus for sale to former owners of fishing vessels in accordance with the Act of August 10, 1946 (Public Law 717, Seventy-ninth Congress). Any other vessels which, but for the enactment of this joint resolution, would be disposed of in accordance with any of the aforesaid statutory provisions, shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of other existing laws. Sale. Effectivity.

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