

land- eller sømilitære Styrker, som maatte befinde sig paa de overdragne Øer, skal trækkes tilbage, saa snart dette lader sig gøre efter den formelle Overlevering, idet man dog er enig om, at dersom de Personer, som udgør saadanne Styrker, efter at have afsluttet deres danske Tjeneste, ikke ønsker at forlade Øerne, skal det være dem tilladt at forblive der som Civilpersoner.

Artikel 5.

Som fuldt Vederlag for den ved denne Konvention skete Overdragelse gaar de Forenede Stater ind paa at betale, inden 90 Dage fra Datoen for Udvekslingen af Ratifikationerne af denne Konvention, i Staden Washington til Hans Majestæt Kongen af Danmarks diplomatiske Repræsentant eller anden Befuldmægtiget, som er behørig bemyndiget til at modtage Pengene, en Sum af 25 Millioner Dollars i de Forenede Staters Guldmønt.

Artikel 6.

De danske Statsborgere, der behor de nævnte Øer, kan efter eget Valg blive boende eller flytte derfra, idet de i det ene som i det andet Tilfælde bevarer alle deres Ejendomsrettigheder, deri indbefattet Retten til at sælge eller raade over saadan Ejendom eller Udbyttet deraf; i Tilfælde af at de forbliver paa Øerne, skal de, indtil anderledes bestemmes, vedblive at nyde alle private Rettigheder, kommunale og religiøse Friheder, som er dem tilstaaede ved de nu gældende Love. Ifald de nuværende Lové forandres, skal de ikke derved bringes i en ugunstigere Stilling i Henseende til de ovenomtalte Rettigheder og Friheder, end de nu nyder. De, som forbliver paa Øerne, har Ret til at bevare deres Statsborgerforhold til Danmark ved, inden et Aar fra Dagen for Udvekslingen af denne Konventions Ratifikationer, til en »court of record« at afgive en Erklæring om, at de ønsker at bevare saadant Statsborgerforhold, i Mangel af hvilken Erklæring de skal anses for at have givet

practicable after the formal delivery, it being however understood that if the persons constituting these forces, after having terminated their Danish service, do not wish to leave the Islands, they shall be allowed to remain there as civilians.

Article 5.

In full consideration of the cession made by this convention, the United States agree to pay within ninety days from the date of the exchange of the ratifications of this convention, in the City of Washington to the diplomatic representative or other agent of His Majesty the King of Denmark duly authorized to receive the money, the sum of twenty five million dollars in gold coin of the United States.

Article 6.

Danish citizens residing in said Islands may remain therein or may remove therefrom at will, retaining in either event all their rights of property, including the right to sell or dispose of such property or its proceeds; in case they remain in the Islands, they shall continue until otherwise provided, to enjoy all the private, municipal and religious rights and liberties secured to them by the laws now in force. If the present laws are altered, the said inhabitants shall not thereby be placed in a less favorable position in respect to the above mentioned rights and liberties than they now enjoy. Those, who remain in the Islands may preserve their citizenship in Denmark by making before a court of record, within one year from the date of the exchange of ratifications of this convention, a declaration of their decision to preserve such citizenship; in default of which declaration they shall be held to have renounced it, and to have accepted citizenship in the United States; for chil-