

**HISTORICAL TREATY SIGNED ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1773 BETWEEN THE  
INDIGENOUS PEOPLE AND THE BRITISH MONARCH**

## ARTICLES OF THE TREATY:

1. All hostile proceedings are to cease and a firm and lasting peace and friendship to succeed.
2. The Charaibes shall acknowledge his Majesty to be the rightful sovereign of the Island and Domain of St. Vincent's; take an oath of fidelity to him as their king; promise absolute submission to his will, and lay down their arms.
3. They shall submit themselves to the laws and obedience of his Majesty's government and the Governor shall have power to enact further regulations for the public advantage as shall be convenient. (This article only respects their transactions with his Majesty's subjects, not being Indians, their intercourse and customs with each other in the quarters allotted them, not being affected by it .) And all new regulations are to receive his Majesty's Governor's approbation before carried out into execution.
4. A portion of lands hereafter mentioned, shall be allotted for the residence of the Charaibes, viz from the river Byera to Port Espagniol on the one side, and from the river Analibou to Point Espagniol on the other side according to lines to be drawn by his Majesty's surveyors, from the sources of the rivers to the tops of the mountains; the rest of the lands, formerly inhabited by Charaibes, for the future to belong entirely to his Majesty.
5. Those lands shall not be alienated either by sale, lease or otherwise, but to persons properly authorized by his Majesty to receive them.
6. Roads, ports, batteries and communications shall be made, as his Majesty pleases.
7. No undue intercourse with the French Islands shall be allowed.

8. Run-away slaves in the possession of the Charaibes are to be delivered up, and endeavours used to discover and apprehend the others; and an engagement shall be interred into not to encourage, receive, or harbor any slave whatso ever; the forfeiture of lands shall be the penalty for harboring slaves; and carrying them off the island shall be considered a capital crime.
9. Persons guilty of capital crimes against the English are to be delivered up.
10. In time of danger, the Charaibes shall be aiding and assisting to his Majesty's subjects against their enemies.
11. The three chains to remain to his Majesty.
12. All conspiracies and plots against his Majesty, or his government, are to be made known to his Governor or other civil magistrates.
13. Leave (if required) is given to the Charaibes to depart this Island with their families and properties, and assistance in their transportation.
14. Free access to the quarters allowed to the Charaibes is to be given to persons properly empowered to go in pursuit of run-away slaves, and safe conduct afforded them.
15. Deserters from his Majesty's service (if any) and run-away slaves from the French, shall be delivered up, in order that they may be returned to their masters.
16. The Chiefs of the different quarters are to render an account of the names and number of the inhabitants of their respective districts.
17. The Chiefs, and other Charaibes, inhabitants are to attend the Governor, when ever required, for his Majesty's service.
18. All possible facility consistent with the laws of Great Britain, is to be afforded to the Charaibes in the sale of their produce, and in their trade to the different British Islands.
19. Entire liberty of fishing, as well as the coast of St. Vincent's as at the neighboring keys, is to be allowed to them.

20. In all areas, when the Charaibes conceive themselves injured by his Majesty's subjects, or other persons and desirous of having reference to the laws, or to the civil magistrates, an agent, being one of his Majesty's natural born subjects, may be employed by themselves, or if more agreeable at his Majesty's cost.
21. No strangers, or white persons, are to be allowed to settle among the Charaibes, without permission first obtained in writing from the Governor.
22. These articles subscribed to and observed, the Charaibes are to be pardoned secured and fixed in their property accordingly to his Majesty's directions given, and all part offences forgot.
23. After the signing of this treaty should any of the Charaibes refuse to observe the condition of it, they are to be considered and treated as enemies by both parties, and the most affectual means used to reduce them.
24. The Charaibes shall take the following oath; viz.

We, A, B. do swear, in the name of the immortal God, and Christ Jesus, that we will bear true allegiance to his Majesty George the Third of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King Defende of the Faith; and that we will pay due obedience to the laws of Great Britain, and the Island of St. Vincent; and will well and truly observe every article of the treaty concluded between his said Majesty and the Charaibes; and we do acknowledge that his said Majesty is rightful Lord and Sovereign of all the Island of St. Vincent, and that the lands held by us the Charaibes are granted through his Majesty's clemency.

On the part of his Majesty

W. Dalrymple.

**On the part of the Charaibes**

Jean Baptiste  
Dufont Begot  
Boyordell  
Dirang  
Chatoyer  
Dource Baramont  
Lalime junior  
Broca  
Saioe  
Francois Laron  
Saint Laron  
Anisette  
Clement  
Bigott

Simon  
Lalime Senior  
Baumont  
Justin Bauamont  
Matthieu  
Jean Louis Pacquin  
Gadel Goibau  
John Baptiste  
Lonen  
Boyudon  
Du Vallet  
Boucharie  
Deruba Babilliard  
Canaia