

in the sections having specific references to the respective items of income.

(b) *No United States permanent establishment.* A nonresident alien individual who is a resident of France, or a French corporation or other French entity carrying on a French enterprise, but having no permanent establishment in the United States, is not subject to United States income tax upon industrial and commercial profits from sources within the United States. For example, if such French corporation sells stock in trade, such as wines or perfumery or cheese, through a bona fide commission agent or broker in the United States, the resulting profit is, under the terms of Article 3 of the convention, exempt from United States income tax. Such French corporation, however, remains subject to tax upon all other items of income from sources within the United States which are not expressly exempted from such tax under the convention.

(c) *United States permanent establishment.* A nonresident alien individual who is a resident of France, or a French corporation or other entity, carrying on a French enterprise having a permanent establishment in the United States is subject to tax upon his or its industrial and commercial profits from sources within the United States. In the determination of the income of such resident of France or French corporation or other entity from sources within the United States, all industrial and commercial profits from such sources shall be deemed to be allocable to the permanent establishment within the United States. Hence, for example, if a French enterprise, having a permanent establishment in the United States, sells directly in the United States through a commission agent or broker therein goods produced in France, the resulting profits derived from United States sources from the latter transactions are allocable to such permanent establishment. The net income from sources within the United States, including the industrial and commercial profits, shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of section 119 of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder. In determining indus-

trial and commercial profits no account shall be taken of the mere purchase of merchandise effected in the United States by such French enterprise. A nonresident alien who is a resident of France, a member of a French partnership having a permanent establishment within the United States, shall by reason of such fact be deemed to have a permanent establishment within the United States.

§514.106 Control of a domestic enterprise by a French enterprise.

Article 5 of the convention provides that if a French enterprise by reason of its control of a domestic business imposes conditions different from those which would result from normal business relations between independent enterprises, the accounts between the enterprises will be adjusted so as to ascertain the true net income of the domestic enterprise. The purpose is to place the controlled domestic enterprise on a tax parity with an uncontrolled domestic enterprise by determining, according to the standard of an uncontrolled enterprise, the true net income from the property and business of the controlled enterprise. The convention contemplates that if the accounting records do not truly reflect the net income from the property and business of such domestic enterprise the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall intervene and, by making such distributions, apportionments, or allocations as he may deem necessary of gross income or deductions of any item or element affecting net income as between such domestic enterprise and the French enterprise by which it is controlled or directed, determine the true net income of the domestic enterprise. The provisions of §29.45-1 of Regulations 111 (26 CFR 1949 ed. Supps. 29.45-1) [and §39.45-1 of Regulations 118 (26 CFR, Rev. 1953, Parts 1-79, and Supps.)], shall, in so far as applicable, be followed in the determination of the net income of the domestic business.

§514.107 Income from operation of ships or aircraft.

The income derived by a French enterprise from the operation of ships documented under the laws of France, or of aircraft registered in France, is

under Article 6 of the convention exempt from United States income tax. However, the profits derived by such enterprise from the operation of ships or aircraft, if any, not so documented or registered are treated as are industrial and commercial profits generally. See Article 3 of the convention and §514.105.

§514.108 Income from real property, including mineral royalties.

Income of whatever nature derived by a nonresident alien individual who is a resident of France, or by a French corporation or other French entity from real property situated in the United States, including gains derived from the sale of such property and royalties in respect of the operation of mines, quarries, or other natural resources situated in the United States, is not exempted from taxation by the convention. The treatment of such income for taxation purposes is governed by those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable generally to the taxation of nonresident aliens and foreign corporations.

§514.110 Government wages, salaries, and similar compensation, pensions, and life annuities.

(a) Under Article 8 of the convention, wages, salaries, and similar compensation, and pensions paid by France, or by a political subdivision thereof, to individuals residing in the United States are exempt from Federal income tax. However, under the provisions of Article 14A of the convention, such exemption shall not be construed as applying to recipients of such income who are citizens of the United States or alien residents who are not citizens of France.

(b) Under the provisions of the same article of the convention private pensions and life annuities derived from sources within the United States by nonresident alien individuals who are residents of France are exempt from Federal income tax. Such items of income are therefore not subject to the withholding provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. See paragraph IV of the protocol to the convention as to what constitutes life annuities. See, also,

§514.109¹ with respect to patent and copyright royalties as to the requirements necessary to avoid withholding of the tax at the source, which requirements are also applicable for the purposes of this section.

§514.111 Compensation for labor or personal services.

(a) *General.* In general and subject to the provisions of Article 8 and Article 10 of the convention and paragraph (b) of this section, compensation for labor or personal services derived from sources within the United States by a nonresident alien who is a resident of France, is subject to tax in accordance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable generally to nonresident aliens. The provisions of Article 9 do not disturb either the provisions of section 119(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to source of compensation for labor or personal services, or the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code relating to the taxation of such compensation in the hands of a nonresident individual who is a resident of France.

(b) *Professional earnings.* Article 10 of the convention provides a special rule of taxation with respect to professional fees constituting income derived from sources within the United States by a resident of France who is a nonresident alien. Under such rule, such nonresident alien rendering professional services, such as medical, legal, engineering, and scientific services, is not subject to United States tax with respect to such compensation unless he has an office or other fixed place situated in the United States during the taxable year. Thus, such alien present in the United States during any part of the taxable year and rendering professional advice as a medical doctor or as a lawyer or as an engineer, is not subject to Federal income tax on fees derived by him in such taxable year by reason of such services unless he maintains at some time during such taxable year an office or other fixed place in the United States incident to the practice of his profession. The exemption applies regardless of the length of time

¹Section 514.109 (formerly §7.418) was revoked by T.D. 6273, 22 F.R. 9529, Nov. 28, 1957.