General Law of National Assets

Article 1. Section I

This Law is of public order and general interest and its purpose is to establish:
I. The properties that constitute the heritage of the Nation;
II. The assets acquired by the Federation abroad shall not be subject to the public domain regime and shall be governed by the corresponding international treaties or, otherwise, by the legislation of the place where they are located.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, within the scope of the Federal Executive Branch, will be competent to carry out the acts of acquisition, possession, surveillance, conservation, administration, control and alienation of the assets referred to in the preceding paragraph, and must only inform the Ministry about the acquisition and alienation operations it carries out. In order to carry out acquisitions of rights of use or ownership of assets located abroad, such Agency will be subject to the budgetary availability it has.

When the assets acquired abroad are used by agencies other than the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or by other entities, such agencies are responsible for the surveillance and conservation of such assets.

The income obtained from the sale of the assets referred to in this article shall be concentrated in the Treasury of the Federation.

Article 37. Section IV

IV. Center for Documentation and Information of the Federal and Parastatal Architectural Heritage, which shall consist of all the files containing the documents and information relating to Properties.