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X. Regulations Relating to Travel in Combat Area

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The following regulation has been codified under Title 22: Foreign Relations; Chapter I; Department of State; and Subchapter A: The Department, in accordance with the requirements of the *Federal Register* and the *Code of Federal Regulations*:

PART 55C—TRAVEL

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the President's proclamation numbered 2410, of June 11, 1940, to promulgate such rules and regulations not inconsistent with law as may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of section 3 of the joint resolution of Congress approved November 4, 1939, as amended June 26, 1940, as made effective by that and previous proclamations, I hereby amend 22 CFR 55C.4 (c) to read as follows:

§ 55C.4 *American vessels in combat areas—(c) Vessels authorized to evacuate American citizens and those under direction of American Red Cross.* The provisions of the proclamation do not apply to any American vessel which, by arrangement with the appropriate authorities of the United States Government, is commissioned to proceed into or through this combat area in order to evacuate citizens of the United States who are in imminent danger to their lives as a result of combat operations incident to the present war, or to any American vessels proceeding into or through this area, unarmed and not under convoy, under charter or other direction and control of the American Red Cross,

on a mission of mercy only and carrying only Red Cross materials and personnel: *Provided*, That where permission has not been given by the blockading power, no American Red Cross vessel shall enter a port where a blockade by aircraft, surface vessel, or submarine is being attempted through the destruction of vessels, or into a port of any country where such blockade of the whole country is being so attempted. (Secs. 3, 4, Public Res. 54, 76th Cong., 2d sess., approved Nov. 4, 1939, as amended by Public Res. 87, 76th Cong., 3d sess., approved June 26, 1940; Proc. No. 2410, June 11, 1940)

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CORDELL HULL,
Secretary of State.

JULY 5, 1940.