XVI. Travel on Belligerent Vessels in the Bay of Fundy.

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Following is a regulation relating to travel on belligerent vessels, which is 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:

"Pursuant to the authority contained in the President's Proclamation No. 2374 of November 4, 1939, issued pursuant to section 1 of the Neutrality Act of 1939, I, Cordell Hull, Secretary of State of the United States, hereby prescribe the following regulation, amending the regulations issued on November 6, 1939, as amended by regulations issued on November 17, 1939, and December 14, 1939, relating to travel on belligerent vessels:

"Part 55C—Travel

§ 55C.3 American nationals in combat areas—(g) Travel on belligerent vessels in Bay of Fundy. American nationals may travel on belligerent vessels in the Bay of Fundy and its dependent waters. (Sec. 1, Public Res. 54, 76th Cong., 2d sess., approved Nov. 4, 1939; Proc. No. 2374)

CORDELL HULL
Secretary of State."

"January 16, 1940."

XVII. Proclamation Defining Combat Area, April 10, 1940.


Whereas section 3 of the joint resolution of Congress approved November 4, 1939, provides as follows:

"(a) Whenever the President shall have issued a proclamation under the authority of section 1 (a), and he shall thereafter find that the protection of citizens of the United States so requires, he shall, by proclamation, define combat areas, and thereafter it shall be unlawful, except under such
rules and regulations as may be prescribed, for any citizen of the United States or any American vessel to proceed into or through any such combat area. The combat areas so defined may be made to apply to surface vessels or aircraft, or both.

"(b) In case of the violation of any of the provisions of this section by any American vessel, or any owner or officer thereof, such vessel, owner, or officer shall be fined not more than $50,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both. Should the owner of such vessel be a corporation, organization, or association, each officer or director participating in the violation shall be liable to the penalty herein-above prescribed. In case of the violation of this section by any citizen traveling as a passenger, such passenger may be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned for not more than two years, or both.

"(c) The President may from time to time modify or extend any proclamation issued under the authority of this section, and when the conditions which shall have caused him to issue any such proclamation shall have ceased to exist he shall revoke such proclamation and the provisions of this section shall thereupon cease to apply, except as to offenses committed prior to such revocation."

And whereas it is further provided by section 13 of the said joint resolution that

"The President may, from time to time, promulgate such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law as may be necessary and proper to carry out any of the provisions of this joint resolution; and he may exercise any power or authority conferred on him by this joint resolution through such officer or officers, or agency or agencies, as he shall direct."

And whereas on November 4, 1939, I issued a proclamation in accordance with the provision of law quoted above defining a combat area.

Now, therefore, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, acting under and by virtue of the authority conferred on me by section 3 of the joint resolution of Congress approved November 4, 1939, do hereby find that the protection of citizens of the United
States requires that there be an extension of the combat area defined in my proclamation of November 4, 1939, through or into which extended combat area it shall be unlawful, except under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed, for any citizen of the United States or any American vessel, whether a surface vessel or an aircraft, to proceed.

And I do hereby define the extended combat area as follows:

All the navigable waters within the limits set forth hereafter.

Beginning at the intersection of the North Coast of Spain with the meridian of 2°45' longitude west of Greenwich;
Thence due north to a point in 43°54' north latitude;
Thence by a rhumb line to a point in 45° north latitude, 20° west longitude;
Thence due north to 58° north latitude;
Thence by a rhumb line to a point in 76°30' north latitude, 16°35' east longitude;
Thence by a rhumb line to a point in 70° north latitude, 44° east longitude;
Thence due south to the mainland of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics;
Thence along the coastline of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Finland, Norway, Sweden, the Baltic Sea and dependent waters thereof, Germany, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, and Spain to the point of beginning.

And I do hereby enjoin upon all officers of the United States, charged with the execution of the laws thereof, the utmost diligence in preventing violations of the said joint resolution, and in bringing to trial and punishment any offenders against the same.

And I do hereby delegate to the Secretary of State the power to exercise any power or authority conferred on me by the said joint resolution as made effective by this my proclamation issued thereunder, which is not specifically delegated by Executive order to some other officer or agency of this Government, and the power to promulgate such rules and regulations not inconsistent with law as may be necessary and proper to carry out any of its provisions.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-fourth.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

By the President:
Cordell Hull
Secretary of State.