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- (1) All aircraft in Category III of the President's Proclamation of May 1, 1937, and
- (2) Aircraft in Category V of the President's Proclamation of May 1, 1937, purchased by or destined for the armed forces of a foreign nation.

It should be pointed out that the above is not applicable while the legal title to the aircraft in question remains with a citizen of the United States.

XV. Regulations Concerning Travel Into Combat Areas.

(Dept. of State, Departmental Order No. 831, December 16, 1939.)

Pursuant to the authority contained in the President's Proclamations nos. 2374 and 2376 issued on November 4, 1939, in pursuance of sections 1 and 3, respectively, of the Neutrality Act of 1939, approved November 4, 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 regulation issued on November 17, 1939, relating to travel on belligerent vessels, and also amending the regulations issued on November 17, 1939, relating to travel into or through combat areas.

Individuals who possess both American nationality and a foreign nationality, and who habitually reside in the foreign state of which they are nationals, and who are using passports of such foreign state, may, while en route to and from such state, travel on a belligerent vessel across the English Channel, the Irish Sea or St. George's Channel without obtaining specific authority and without an American passport endorsed as valid for such travel. Individuals who undertake travel under the conditions indicated shall do so on the understanding that they will look for protection to the foreign state whose passport they carry.

CORDELL HULL

December 14, 1939.