

COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION

Treaty signed at Washington January 19, 1839

Senate advice and consent to ratification January 31, 1839

Ratified by the President of the United States February 1, 1839

Ratified by the Netherlands March 19, 1839

Ratifications exchanged at Washington May 23, 1839

Proclaimed by the President of the United States May 24, 1839

Entered into force July 4, 1839

Articles I and II superseded by convention of August 26, 1852¹

*Article III abrogated July 1, 1916, by the United States in accordance
with Seamen's Act of March 4, 1915²*

Terminated May 10, 1919³

8 Stat. 524; Treaty Series 251⁴

The United States of America and His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, anxious to regulate the commerce and navigation carried on between the two countries in their respective vessels, have, for that purpose, named Plenipotentiaries; that is to say:

The President of the United States has appointed John Forsyth, Secretary of State of the said United States; and His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, Jonkheer Evert Marius Adrian Martini, Member of the body of Nobles of the province of North Brabant, Knight of the order of the Netherlands Lion, and His Chargé d'Affaires near the United States, who having exchanged their respective full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed to the following articles:

ARTICLE I⁵

Goods and merchandise, whatever their origin may be, imported into or exported from, the ports of the United States, from or to the ports of the Netherlands in Europe, in vessels of the Netherlands, shall pay no higher or other duties than shall be levied on the like goods and merchandise so imported or exported in national vessels. And reciprocally, goods and mer-

¹ TS 252, *post*, p. 25.

² 38 Stat. 1164.

³ Pursuant to notice of termination given by the United States May 10, 1918.

⁴ For a detailed study of this treaty, see 4 Miller 171.

⁵ Superseded by art. I of convention of Aug. 26, 1852 (TS 252, *post*, p. 25).