TRAVELING SALESMEN

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The United States of America and the United States of Venezuela being desirous to foster the development of commerce between them and to increase the exchange of commodities by facilitating the work of traveling salesmen have agreed to conclude a convention for that purpose and have to that end appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

The President of the United States of America, Stewart Johnson, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of the United States; and

The President of the United States of Venezuela, Dr. Esteban Gil Borges, Minister of Foreign Relations,

who, having communicated to each other their full powers which were found to be in due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

Manufacturers, merchants, and traders domiciled within the jurisdiction of one of the high contracting parties may operate as commercial travelers either personally or by means of agents or employees within the jurisdiction of the other high contracting party on obtaining from the latter, upon payment of a single fee, a license which shall be valid throughout its entire territorial jurisdiction.

In case either of the high contracting parties shall be engaged in war it reserves to itself the right to prevent from operating within its jurisdiction as commercial travelers under the provisions of this treaty or otherwise, enemy nationals or other aliens whose presence it may consider prejudicial to public order and national safety.