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I, Mark Freehill, United States Federal Court Interpreter No. 20293, duly certified by the United States Government's Federal Court Interpreter Program, a United States citizen, of legal age, married, translator/interpreter by profession, bearer of Dominican Personal Identification Card (Cidula) No. 001-1488708-6, resident in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, domiciled at Calle 5, No. 12, Residencial Santo Domingo, in this city; HEREBY CERTIFY AND BEAR WITNESS that the following is a true and accurate version in the English language of a document presented to me in the Spanish language:

[Round Rubber stamp:] OFFICE OF THE JUDICIAL CONSULTANT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE [Coat-of-Arms] Santo Domingo \*Dominican Republic\*



## NUMBER: 671-021

WHEREAS: It is the duty of the State to protect the citizenry, preventing the importation of automobiles unsuitable for circulation on the public roads, due to their being banned from traffic in their country of origin.

WHEREAS: It is an obligation of the State to preserve the environment, foster biodiversity and reduce the levels of environmental pollution.

WHEREAS: It is in the interest of the State to reduce pressures against the balance of payments, improving the vehicular pool.

HAVING SEEN: Articles 2 and 6 of Law Nó.447-00, dated 27 December 2000.

In the exercise of the attributions conferred upon me by Article 55 of the Constitution of the Republic, I hand down the following:

## **DECREE:**

ARTICLE 1.- The importation of motor vehicles which are unsuitable for circulation in the country of origin, motivated by crashes, floods, fires, catastrophes and the so-called "salvage" [vehicles], is prohibited due to their constituting a risk for citizen safety and damaging health and the environment.

ARTICLE 2.- As of this decree, any imported vehicle not bearing an official certification, issued by the competent authority of the exporting country, attesting that the vehicle in question meets the conditions to circulate in same, will be decommissioned and destroyed.

**ARTICLE 3.**- This decree will come into effect thirty (30) days after its publication.

ARTICLE 4.- To be remitted to the General Customs Agency, which must take all the measures which may be necessary for compliance with this decree.

GIVEN in Santo Domingo de Guzmán, National District, Capital of the Dominican Republic, this twenty-seventh (27<sup>th</sup>) day of the month of August of the year two thousand two (2002); years 159 of the Independence and 140 of the Restoration.

> [Signature] HIPOLITO MEJIA

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