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Date: Dec 29, 1978

MEMORANDUM

FOR ACTION:
Tim Kraft
Arnie Miller

FOR INFORMATION:

Jake Simon

FROM: Rick Hutcheson, Staff Secretary

SUBJECT: Blumenthal (Solomon) memo re Appointment of Roger Baldwin to U.S. Int'l Trade Commission

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE STAFF SECRETARY BY:
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
DAY: Tuesday
DATE: January 2

ACTION REQUESTED:

Your comments

Other:

STAFF RESPONSE:

I concur.

No comment.

Please note other comments below:

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately. (Telephone, 7052)



THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON 20220

- December 28, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Appointment of Robert Baldwin to the U.S.
International Trade Commission

With Commissioner Ablondi's departure from the International Trade Commission, you must appoint a new member. By law this member may be, and by custom should be, a Democrat.

Implementation of your program of liberal trade and the MTN package will be very difficult in 1979 and 1980. Governments of all major trading countries -- including our own -- are under strong pressure to seek solutions to their domestic economic ills through unilateral or negotiated trade restrictions. The Commission is, and will continue to be, the focus of protectionist pressure in this country.

This appointment gives you an opportunity to add to the International Trade Commission a prestigious trade expert who could upgrade the caliber of its analytical work, thereby improving the basis on which you will have to make some tough trade decisions, and who could be sympathetic to the Administration's goal of free and fair trade. The current Commission remains generally weak, though improved by your two earlier appointments, and one strong member could play a disproportionately beneficial role in improving both the Commission's analysis of trade problems and its imaginativeness in proposing solutions to them.

Robert Baldwin of the University of Wisconsin fills the bill. Long active in the trade policy field, he is a former editor of the American Economic Review and the author of numerous studies on international trade. He is a good Democrat, and was chief economist

for the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations under Christian Herter during the Kennedy Round. He recently worked as a consultant with the Department of Labor, where he was responsible for a major study on the employment effects of tariff cuts, and is thus particularly sensitive to the effects of trade policy on U.S. workers.

Baldwin is available for service on the International Trade Commission. I urge you to appoint him.



Anthony M. Solomon
Acting Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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no need to go to President;
confirmed by EB (RI).

Linda Smith (NOT)

notified — no problem.

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THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

EYES ONLY

February 21, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Shipping Agreement Between Lykes Brothers Steamship Company
and China Ocean Shipping Company (COSCO) of the Peoples
Republic of China

I am attaching a copy of the agreement which was signed on February 10
between Lykes Brothers and COSCO, which I reported to you while you
were in Mexico.

This is to confirm our telephone conversation today wherein you
indicated that I should proceed with this matter. I have, therefore,
arranged to have the agreement announced on Friday, February 23,
at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. W. J. Amoss, Jr., President of Lykes Brothers, and his attorney,
Stanley Barer, who negotiated the agreement, will be available to
answer questions about it. I have also extended invitations to
Senators Magnuson, Jackson, Long, and Assistant Secretary Robert
Blackwell of the Maritime Administration, all of whom wrote letters
in support of this firm and its negotiations.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brock Adams", is written over a large, stylized letter "B".

Brock Adams

Attachments

AGREEMENT BETWEEN
LYKES BROS. STEAMSHIP CO., INC.
AND
CHINA OCEAN SHIPPING COMPANY

Lykes Bros. Steamship Co., Inc. and China Ocean Shipping Company have, for the purpose of inaugurating a shipping service between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China, agreed as follows:-

I. The vessels flying the national flags of each country and operated by the respective companies shall now, before the signing of any maritime agreement between the government of the People's Republic of China and the government of the United States of America and the settlement of the problems of frozen assets held by the People's Republic of China and the United States of America, undertake to establish a shipping service between PRC ports and U.S. ports, that is, vessels of China Ocean Shipping Company flying the national flag of the People's Republic of China will call at ports of the United States of America open to foreign trade and to engage in ocean shipping service, and vessels of Lykes Brothers Steamship Company flying the national flag of the United States of America will call at ports of the People's Republic of China open to foreign trade and to engage in similar service.

II. The booking of cargo, freight tariffs, shipping documents, appointment of agents and other matters related to the establishment of the shipping service between the People's Republic of China and the United States of America are to be separately arranged by each company.

III. Should the vessel of one party meet with any troubles or difficulties at the port of the other party, the other party should render every assistance possible at the former's request.

IV. Both parties undertake to exchange informations in shipping.

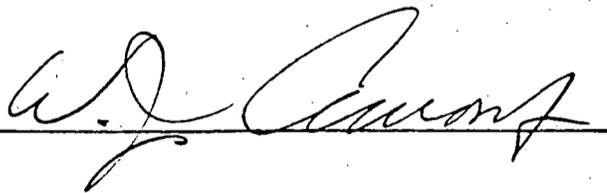
V. Both parties shall work in a joint effort for the promotion of friendship between the peoples of the People's Republic of China and the United States of America and the friendly cooperation in the shipping industry of the two countries, and also for the early conclusion of a maritime agreement between the government of the People's Republic of China and the government of the United States of America.

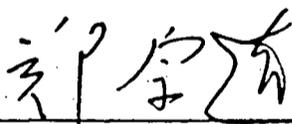
VI. This Agreement shall come into force upon the date of execution, and remain in effect until its being terminated by either party upon six months' written notice to the other party.

Done at Peking on this 10th day of February of the year 1979.

REPRESENTATIVE OF
LYKES BROS. STEAMSHIP CO., INC.

REPRESENTATIVE OF
CHINA OCEAN SHIPPING COMPANY





United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

January 16, 1979

Mr. W. J. Amoss, Jr.
President
Lykes Brothers Steamship Company
300 Poydras Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Jim:

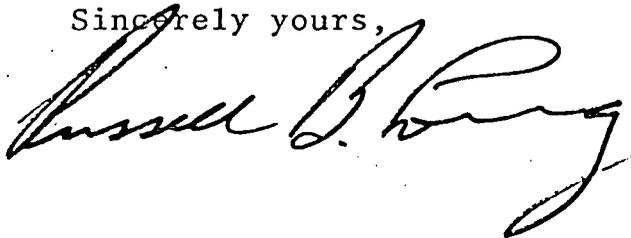
I am most encouraged that you will begin negotiations in Peking in early February for establishment of U. S. flag steamship service by Lykes to the Peoples Republic of China. Lykes Brothers and you as their president have done an outstanding job and are truly great representatives of the U. S. merchant marine.

Throughout the Gulf ports there is strong interest and hope that the Peoples Republic of China flag vessels will establish service to U. S. ports and that carriers like Lykes Brothers will be sailing to Peoples Republic of China ports. Establishment of this service now will be a positive and helpful step in building commerce, understanding and goodwill between the United States and the Peoples Republic of China.

I wish you the best in your discussions, and please keep me informed on your progress.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Russell B. Long". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Russell B. Long".

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

January 15, 1979

His Excellency Cha'i Tse Min
Chief
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2300 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
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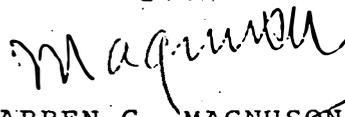
Dear Mr. Ambassador:

On October 30, 1978 I wrote you concerning the proposal by Stanley H. Barer for discussions regarding initiation of reciprocal U. S. flag and PRC flag steamship service. I am pleased to learn that Mr. Barer and Mr. Jim Amoss, President of Lykes Bros. Steamship Company, have been invited by COSCO to come to Peking to discuss these issues beginning February 6, 1979.

I am hopeful that reciprocal PRC flag and U. S. flag service can be established. This is of great importance to the ports of my own State of Washington and will surely advance the friendship and commerce between our countries.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U.S.S.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 30, 1978

His Excellency Ch'ai Tse-min
Chief,
Liaison Office of People's Republic of China
2300 Connecticut Avenue N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I was pleased to learn that the People's Republic of China has received a proposal from Stanley H. Barer on behalf of two private U. S. Flag steamship companies for initiation of reciprocal U.S./PRC flag service.

The establishment of reciprocal sea and air service between our two countries is an objective that I have supported for many years. In 1973 I pursued this subject with many PRC officials during my trip to the People's Republic of China. In 1975 I again raised this issue with Ambassador Huang Chen when Mr. Barer, my former Chief Aide, went to the People's Republic of China to discuss these issues.

There is strong support in the Congress for the establishment of reciprocal flag service now. I am hopeful that the proposal that you have received and others to follow will form the basis for establishing such service and enhancing the friendship and commercial relations of our peoples.

Sincerely yours,


WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U.S.S.

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COMMITTEE ON
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

January 16, 1979

The Honorable Leonard Woodcock
Chief
United States Embassy
Peking, People's Republic of China

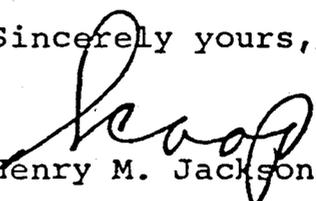
Dear Leonard:

This will introduce Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Barer of Seattle, Washington who will be visiting the People's Republic of China beginning February 6, 1979. Mr. Barer was, for several years, the Administrative Assistant to Senator Warren G. Magnuson and is now a prominent attorney in Seattle. Mr. Barer is traveling with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Amoss. Mr. Amoss is the President of Lykes Bros. Steamship Company and Stan and Jim Amoss will be in Peking at the invitation of COSCO for discussions on shipping matters.

I have known Stan for a long time and have no hesitancy in vouching for his character, loyalty and integrity. I would personally appreciate any courtesies and assistance that may be properly extended to Mr. and Mrs. Barer and Mr. and Mrs. Amoss during their trip to the People's Republic of China.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,


Henry M. Jackson, U.S.S.

HMJ:dml



THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

JAN 16 1979

His Excellency Cha'i Tse Min
Embassy of the People's Republic of China
2300 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I was very pleased to learn that China Ocean Shipping Company has invited Mr. Stanley H. Barer and Mr. W. J. Amoss, Jr. to Peking for discussions on establishing reciprocal PRC flag and U. S. flag steamship service between ports in the People's Republic of China and ports in the United States in response to Mr. Barer's October 17, 1978 letter to you.

As you know from our earlier conversations on this subject, as Secretary of Transportation, I am most interested in the development of sea and air transportation between our two countries by PRC flag and U.S. flag carriers. I am hopeful that the discussions between COSCO and Mr. Barer and Mr. Amoss which are beginning on February 7, 1979 will be productive and further our transportation relationships.

Secretary Blumenthal will be discussing this with your Government in his forthcoming visit and I hope the problems regarding each country's assets held in the other nation will be quickly resolved.

I have asked Mr. Barer and Mr. Amoss to keep me advised on their discussions with COSCO. If we can move ahead now and establish reciprocal rights for U. S. flag and PRC flag vessels, at U.S. and PRC ports, we will have provided a strong basis for the development of a comprehensive maritime agreement between our two countries.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brock Adams".

Brock Adams