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# APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT OF UNITED STATES V. 1.67 ACRES OF LAND, ET AL.

The Commission is a party to a United States condemnation action brought by the United States Attorney entitled, United States of America v. 1.67 Acres of Land, More or Less, in San Diego County; State of California; San Diego Unified Port District; et. al., filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of California, Civil No. 77-0599-T, involving lands which are sovereign tide and submerged lands granted to the San Diego Unified Port District, in trust by the State. (Chapter 700, Statutes of 1911; Chapter 67, Statutes of 1962, First Extraordinary Session).

The subject property consists of 2 filled parcels which are referred to as E and F Streets, since they are actually the extensions of those 2 streets, bounded on the west by Harbor Street and on the east by Pacific Highway, in downtown San Diego (see Exhibit "B"). These 2 parcels lies waterward of the former (natural) ordinary high tide line.

Sometime after the subject parcels were filled, the City of San Diego appparently formally dedicated them, along with certain other streets, "to the public use as and for public streets." This dedication has not been revoked or vacated. During the late 1930's the Federal government acquired most of the land fronting the parcels for the purpose of developing part of what now is referred to as the San Diego Naval Supply Center. In 1941 the Navy closed the parcels off from traffic and, since then, they have been used exclusively by the Navy for personnel parking and the loading and unloading of supplies at the adjacent supply center.

From 1941 until 1977, the Navy leased the street areas from the Port District on a yearly basis for a nominal rental of \$1. In 1973, however, the Port sought to renegotiate the terms of this yearly lease by increasing the rental to \$1100 per month, which it considered to be "fair market value". This substantial change in policy created a dispute with the Navy the result of which was the present condemnation action.

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In this litigation the Navy has asserted that under federal law a taking by condemnation of a dedicated street which is no longer needed for street purposes requires only nominal compensation. While the law on this point and the facts of this particular situation are not absolutely clear, it is the opinion of the Attorney General's office that the State and Port would have a difficult time obtaining anything more than the nominal value for the subject property if the litigation was pursued to judgment. In addition, permanent transfer of title to the parcels to the Federal Government may well foreclose any future use of the parcels for public access to San Diego Bay. For these reasons an attempt to negotiate a settlement of the dispute was initiated.

The settlement negotiations resulted in a proposal, the essential elements of which are the following:

- 1. The Navy will stipulate that title to the subject parcels is to revest in the Port and State to the extent held by them immediately prior to the taking (see Exhibit "C").
- 2. The Navy will dismiss the complaint, all parties waiving any claims for damages, costs, or other compensation.
- 3. The Port and Navy shall, simultaneously with revestment, enter into a 66-year lease of the subject parcels at a nominal rental of \$1 (see Exhibit "D"). In this lease it is agreed that if the parcels are no longer required for Navy purposes the lease shall terminate and the parcels shall revert to the Port.

The Commission's staff and the Office of the Attorney General recommend approval of this settlement since it assures the State and the Port that the subject property will revert to tideland trust use once it is no longer needed by the Navy. The settlement avoids costly litigation which might result in only minimal compensation for the property and which, in any such case, would result in the vesting of title in the Navy, which might sell the property to private interests after such time it is no longer needed for Navy purposes.

The United States Attorney has indicated that the Navy has agreed to the terms of this settlement. The attorney for the Port District is also in agreement and expects formal approval by the Board of Port Commissioners.

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EXHIBITS:

A. Location Map.

B. Parcel Map.

C. Stipulation For Revestment.

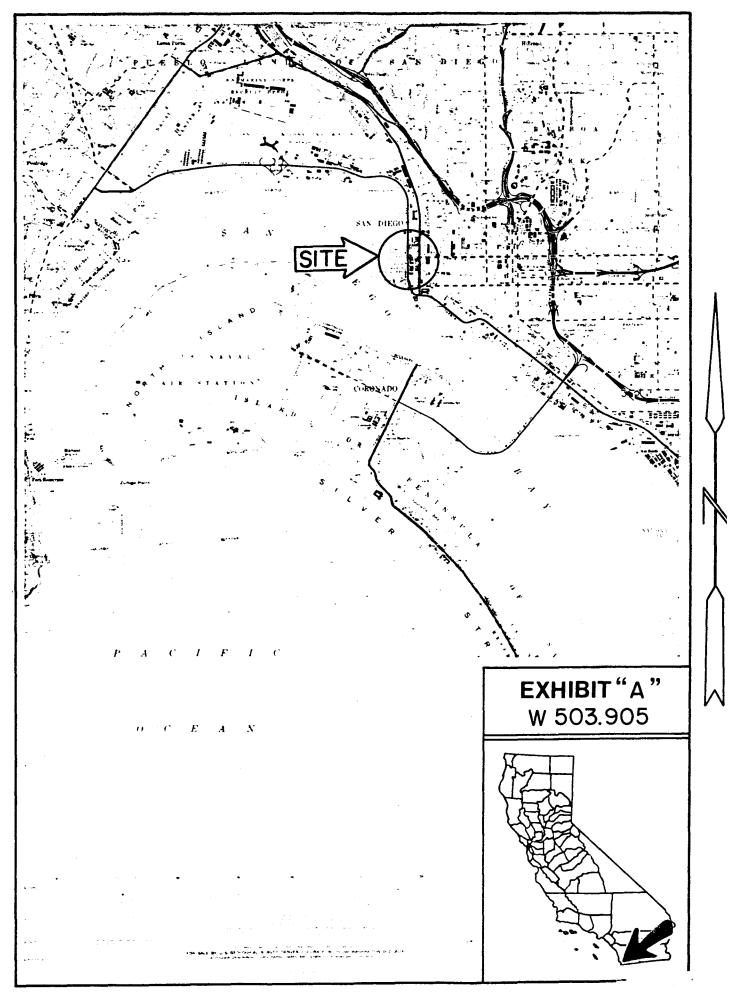
D. Agreement of Lease.

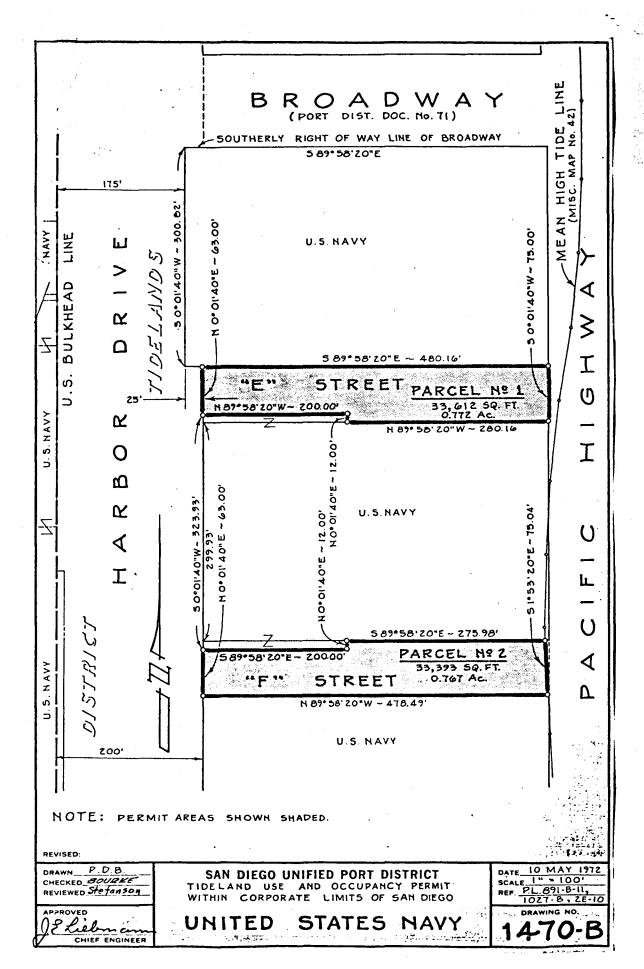
## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT, AS OUTLINED ABOVE AND SUBSTANTIALLY SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSED STIPULATION FOR REVESTMENT AND AGREEMENT OF LEASE ATTACHED HERETO, BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT, AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
- 2. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE AND THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO EXECUTE THE STIPU-LATION FOR REVESTMENT AND TAKE ALL OTHER STEPS WHICH THEY DEEM NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO EFFECTUATE THE SETTLEMENT.

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1.647 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY; STATE OF CALIFORNIA; SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT, et al., and UNKNOWN OWNERS,

Defendants.

STIPULATION FOR REVESTMENT

WHEREAS, the plaintiff, United States of America, commenced the above-entitled action for the purpose of acquiring by eminent domain certain lands described as follows, to wit:

The land which is the subject matter of this proceeding aggregates 1.647 acres of land, more or less, situate and being in San Diego County, State of California. A description of the lands taken, together with the names and addresses of purported owners thereof, and a statement of the sum estimated to be just compensation therefore, are as follows:

#### PARCEL "1"

COMMENCING for reference at the intersection of the westerly prolongation of the southerly right of way line of Broadway and the U. S. Bulkhead Line, as said Line is now established for the Bay of San Diego; thence along said westerly prolongation of MEQ:mjd 4/14/78

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the southerly right of way line of Broadway, South 89° 58' 20" East, 175.00 feet; thence, southwesterly on a line parallel with and distant 175.00 feet easterly from said Bulkhead Line, South 0° 01' 40" West, 300.82 feet; thence, at right angles to the last mentioned course, South 89° 58' 20" East, 25.00 feet to the TRUE

## POINT OF BEGINNING;

- 1) Thence, along the northerly boundary line of "E" Street, South 89° 58' 20" East, 480.16 feet to the westerly boundary line of the Pacific Highway;
- Thence, along the westerly boundary line of the Pacific Highway, South 0° 01' 40" West, 75.00 feet to the southerly boundary line of said "E" Street;
- 3) Thence, along the southerly boundary line of said "E" Street, North 89° 58' 20" West, 480.16 feet to the easterly boundary line of Harbor Drive;
- 4) Thence, along the easterly boundary line of Harbor Drive, North 0° 01' 40" East, 75.00 feet to the <u>True Point of Beginning</u>.

Parcel "1" containing .826 Acre, more or less.

#### PARCEL "2"

COMMENCING for reference at the Point of Beginning for the above-described Parcel "1"; thence, along the easterly boundary line of Harbor Drive, South 0° 01' 40" West, 374.93 feet to its intersection with the northerly boundary line of "F" Street, the

#### TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

- Thence, along the northerly boundary line of said "F" Street, South 80° 58' 20" East, 475.98 feet to the Mean High Tide Line, as shown on Miscellaneous Map No. 42, Records of said County;
- 2) Thence, along said Mean High Tide Line, South 1° 53' 20" East 75.04 feet to the southerly boundary line of said "F" Street;
- 3) Thence, along the southerly boundary line of said "F" Street, North 89° 58' 20" West, 478.49 feet to the easterly boundary line of Harbor Drive;
- Thence, along the easterly boundary line of Harbor Drive, North 0° 01' 40" East, 70.00 feet to the <u>True Point of</u> <u>Beginning</u>.

Parcel "2" containing .821 Acre, more or less.

WHEREAS, by reason of the filing of a declaration of taking and the depositing of \$2.00 as estimated just compensation for the taking thereof, title to such land, to the extent of the estate described below, vested in the United States of America on September 22, 1977;

WHEREAS, it has been determined to be necessary to revest to the former owners title to the fee interest in the above-described tract of land;

WHEREAS, the defendants State of California and San Diego Unified Port District have agreed that in consideration of the aforesaid and the settlement of the dispute which arose as to just compensation, they are not entitled to any just compensation for the interests acquired in the proceeding and have agreed further that the sum of \$2.00 remaining on deposit in the registry of the court shall be returned to the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED BY AND BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PLAINTIFF, AND THE ABOVE-NAMED
DEFENDANTS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT,
as follows:

- A. That the defendants herein consent to the revestment by the United States of the estate in the land as heretofore set forth;
- B. That the legal description of Parcels 1 and 2 and the estate acquired therein, as set forth in the Notice of Condemnation and the Declaration of Taking heretofore filed in the proceeding shall be deleted therefrom;
- C. That all right, title and interest of the stipulating defendants in and to any and all portions of the tract as set forth in the complaint in condemnation and the declaration of taking heretofore filed in the proceeding shall be excluded from the proceeding and title thereto shall be revested in said defendants to the extent held by them immediately prior to the taking;

- D. That the defendants in consideration of the foregoing waive any and all compensation for the taking of all interest acquired in the proceeding, and for the Government's use of that interest in the land, title to which is revested by this stipulation, including all damages arising therefrom;
- E. That judgment shall be entered pursuant hereto in accordance with the aforementioned terms and conditions.

In support of the foregoing stipulation, it is hereby represented to the court as follows:

- That this stipulation is intended as a voluntary appearance and express waiver of service of notice and of all other process and pleading, notice of hearing and trial by jury.
- 2. That except as aforesaid on said date no other person, party or corporation was in possession of said lands and there were no unrecorded liens, leases, encumbrances or transfers outstanding affecting said property.

It is expressly understood and agreed that upon the entry of this Stipulation, the defendants and counsel agree to waive any and all claims of whatsoever kind including attorneys' fees and any other costs.

WHEREFORE, the parties hereto pray for judgment as appropriate to effectuate this stipulation.

EVELLE J. YOUNGER, Attorney General
N. GREGORY TAYLOR,
Assistant Attorney General
RUSSELL IUNGERICH
ROBERT G. COLLINS,
Deputy Attorneys General

DATED: By:

ROBERT G. COLLINS

Attorneys for Defendant, State of California, acting by and through the State Lands Commission

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DATED:  By:  JOSEPH D. PATELLO  Attorney for Defendant San Diego Unified Port District  By:  MICHAEL E. QUINTON  Attorney for Plaintiff, United States of America  IT IS SO ORDERED.  DATED:  United States District Judge  United States District Judge  United States District Judge  20 21 22 23
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#### AGREEMENT OF LEASE

This Lease, made and entered into this day of				
1978, by and between the San Diego Unified Port District, of San Diego,				
California, Lessor, and the United States of America, Lessee:				
WITNESSETH:				

1. The Lessor, in consideration of the payment as rent of One Dollar (\$1.00) by the Lessee, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the covenants and agreements herein contained, does hereby for itself, its successors and assigns, lease, demise and let unto the Lessee all those certain parts or portions of tidelands under the legal jurisdiction of the Lessor, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Those portions of "E" and "F" Streets in the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, State of California lying between the Westerly limits of Pacific Highway and the Easterly limits of Harbor Drive as said streets were delineated and dedicated by Municipal Tide Lands Subdivision Tract No. 1 as Amended and Approved by the Port Director in 1936,

including all improvements thereon,	if any, for a term of	sixty-six (66)
years commencing on theday	of	1978 and expiring
on theday of	2044, with a right of	termination by
the Lessee at any time by giving at	least thirty (30) days	notice in
writing to the Lessor.		

- 2. The Lessee hereby covenants and agrees to use the demised premises for Navy purposes only, and agrees further that this lease shall terminate at such time as the Department of the Navy shall determine that the demised premises are no longer required for Navy purposes.
- 3. The Lessee shall have the right during the existence of this lease to make alterations, attach fixtures and erect additions, structures or signs in or upon the premises hereby leased, which fixtures, additions

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or structures so placed in, upon or attached to the said premises shall be and remain the property of the Lessee and may be removed or otherwise disposed of by the Lessee.

- employed or retained to solicit or secure this lease upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Lessor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty the Government shall have the right to annul this lease without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the rental price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee. (Licensed real estate agents or brokers having listings on property for rent, in accordance with general business practice, and who have not obtained such licenses for the sole purpose of effecting this lease, may be considered as bona fide employees or agencies within the exception contained in this clause.)
- 5. No Member of or Delegate to Congress, or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this lease contract, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom; but this provision shall not be construed to this lease contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto subscribed their names as of the date first above written.

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