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**The President (A)
to Mr. Harold Linder (B) President and Chairman, Export-Import
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B Mr. President, I saw Secy Rusk yesterday and talked to John Macy. Rusk wasn't feeling well, so we didn't talk long.

A I hope you don't catch it. He's not well today either.

B I didn't want to disturb you. I told him what my preference was and we didn't come to any conclusions, but perhaps we will talk again today.

A I'm for whatever you want. What is it?

B Holland.

A Well, I'm for you, and anything you want that I have that I can give, I'll get to you. I think you have invested enough here that you have the right to write your own ticket.

B Well, I can't tell you how appreciative I am.

A We want you to be where you want to be. I want to be in Texas in my Library.

B Well, I want a little half-way house.

A We'll work it out.

B I'm scheduled to go to London tomorrow, but will be available on a few hours notice and can come back any time you say.

A We'll make the adjustments. I wish you would ~~quietly~~ quietly write down on a sheet of paper some names we should look at. And I hope you can get somebody from private life, everybody I know seems to want to appoint government people.

B I have a list, and there is nobody from government except one man who is my Vice Chairman.

A Any from the Southwest?

B Mr. President, I don't have broad acquaintances there?

A That's what I was afraid of. Think about a small businessman that knows about transportation and immigration.

B Well, you understand the problem of an appointment -- it's precarious -- for such a short time.

A Yes sir, I understand that.

B Thank you, Mr. President.