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Illinois

United States Senate
Minority Leader

Foreign Excess Property
Order No. 1

June 14, 1962

Dear :

I appreciate your bringing this matter of a proposed revision of foreign excess property Order Number One to my attention. I have made strong protest to the Department of Commerce and have been assured that the proposed modification will not be interpreted or used in such a manner as to permit importation of surplus government property from abroad.

In view of the fact that Section 402 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 sets forth certain basic criteria regarding surplus government property abroad, it could not be changed by amending regulations of the Department of Commerce. An amendment to the Act itself would have to be passed by the Congress, and this I would oppose.

Should you find that such property is being imported I would appreciate your advising me so that proper action can be taken.

You may be sure I will give this matter my close attention.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen