

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Friday, November 15, 1935, at 11:30 a. m.

PRESENT: Mr. Thomas, Vice Chairman
Mr. Hamlin
Mr. Miller
Mr. James
Mr. Szymczak

Mr. Morrill, Secretary
Mr. Bethea, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary

The Board acted upon the following matters:

Letter to Mr. Clark, Assistant Federal Reserve Agent at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, reading as follows:

"In connection with its consideration of the applications of 'The First National Bank of Miami' and 'The First National Building Corporation', both of Miami, Florida, for voting permits entitling them to vote the stock which they own or control of 'The Coral Gables First National Bank', Coral Gables, Florida, the Board has determined that the applicants are not engaged, directly or indirectly, as a business in holding the stock of, or managing or controlling, banks, banking associations, savings banks, or trust companies, within the meaning of section 2(c) of the Banking Act of 1933, as amended by section 301 of the Banking Act of 1935, and, accordingly, the applicants are not holding company affiliates for any purposes other than those of section 23A of the Federal Reserve Act.

"Inclosed herewith is a letter addressed to the applicants jointly, advising them concerning the Board's action in this matter. If for any reason you believe that this matter should be reconsidered by the Board please communicate with the Board at once. Otherwise you are requested to transmit the inclosed letter to the applicants. A copy of the letter is also inclosed for your files.

"As you will note, the Board expressly reserves the right to make further determinations with reference to these organizations at any time on the basis of the then existing facts. In this connection it is requested that you advise the Board if at any time you believe this matter should again be considered by it."

Approved unanimously, together with a letter addressed jointly to "The First National Bank of Miami", Miami, Florida, and "The First National

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"Building Corporation", Miami, Florida, reading as follows:

"This refers to the applications of your corporations for voting permits entitling them to vote the stock which they own or control of 'The Coral Gables First National Bank', Coral Gables, Florida.

"The Board understands that The First National Bank of Miami is engaged in the general banking business and was organized and is operated for that purpose; that The First National Building Corporation was organized for the purpose of holding title to, and managing and operating, the building and premises occupied by The First National Bank of Miami; that The First National Bank of Miami owns all of the outstanding stock of The First National Building Corporation, and The First National Building Corporation owns 60 per cent of the stock of The Coral Gables First National Bank, Coral Gables, Florida, and 59.6 per cent of the stock of Little River Bank and Trust Company, Miami, Florida, a nonmember bank; that stock of the subsidiary banks constitutes a minor portion of the assets of The First National Building Corporation; that the assets of The First National Bank of Miami are more than ten times as large as the combined assets of the two subsidiary banks; that neither The First National Bank of Miami nor The First National Building Corporation manages or controls any other bank; and that neither The First National Bank of Miami nor The First National Building Corporation is operated for the purpose of managing or controlling banks.

"In view of the above facts, the Board has determined that your corporations are not engaged, directly or indirectly, as a business in holding the stock of, or managing or controlling, banks, banking associations, savings banks, or trust companies within the meaning of section 2(c) of the Banking Act of 1933, as amended by section 301 of the Banking Act of 1935, and, therefore, they are not holding company affiliates for any purposes other than those of section 23A of the Federal Reserve Act. Accordingly, it is not necessary for them to obtain voting permits in order to vote the stock which they own or control of The Coral Gables First National Bank and, on this basis, the Board will give no further consideration to their applications for such permits.

"If, however, either of your corporations acquires control over any other bank or if the facts should at any time otherwise differ from those set out above to an extent which would indicate that either or both of your corporations might be engaged, directly or indirectly, as a business in holding the stock of, or managing or controlling, banks, this matter should again be

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"submitted to the Board. The Board reserves the right to make further determinations with reference to either or both of your corporations at any time on the basis of the then existing facts."

Letter to the Federal Trade Commission reading as follows:

"The Board is advised by the Department of the Interior that the building known as the Rochambeau Apartments, at 815 Connecticut Avenue, the building designated 1624 'I' Street, adjoining the Rochambeau, and the building known as the Premier Apartments, at 718 - 18th Street, N. W., have been assigned for occupancy by the Federal Trade Commission; that thirty-day notices have been served on the tenants to vacate by December 1; and that these buildings will be made ready for your occupancy by January 1.

"In view of this information the Board has requested me to advise you that it expects to start on January 2, 1936, the demolition of the present temporary building now occupied by the Federal Trade Commission on the site of the new building to be constructed by the Board of Governors."

Approved unanimously.

Telegram to the Federal reserve agents at all Federal reserve banks, reading as follows:

"There are being forwarded to you today 25 paper bound copies of revised edition of Federal Reserve Act. 100 additional paper bound copies will be sent as soon as received from printer. Within next two weeks one buckram bound copy of Act will be sent direct from Washington to each existing member bank in your district and to each member of Federal Advisory Council, and 75 buckram bound copies will be sent to you for use your officers and to enable you to furnish one copy to the State banking authority of each State the capital city of which is located in your district, to the Chief National Bank Examiner of your district, and to each bank in your district which hereafter becomes a member of the System. A further supply of paper bound copies of Act will be sent you on request. A limited stock of buckram bound copies will be available and a small number of additional copies will be sent to you if found necessary to meet your future needs."

Approved unanimously.

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There were then presented the following applications for changes in stock of Federal reserve banks:

<u>Applications for ADDITIONAL Stock:</u>	<u>Shares</u>	
<u>District No. 6.</u>		
The City National Bank of Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.	2	
The Miami Beach First National Bank, Miami Beach, Florida.	15	
The Commercial National Bank of Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tennessee.	30	
Third National Bank in Nashville, Nashville, Tennessee.	<u>15</u>	62
<u>District No. 10.</u>		
The Burnes National Bank of St. Joseph, St. Joseph, Missouri.	15	
The American National Bank of Sapulpa, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.	<u>30</u>	45
<u>District No. 11.</u>		
The Citizens National Bank of Hillsboro, Hillsboro, Texas.	2	2
<u>District No. 12.</u>		
The First National Bank of Bellflower, Bellflower, California.	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	Total	110
<u>Application for SURRENDER of Stock:</u>		
<u>District No. 3.</u>		
The Commercial National Bank of Bradford, Bradford, Pennsylvania.	240	240

Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

Approved:

J. J. Thomas
Vice Chairman.

Chester Morrell
Secretary.