

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Saturday, December 2, 1939, at 11:30 a. m.

PRESENT: Mr. Ransom, Vice Chairman
Mr. Szymczak
Mr. McKee
Mr. Davis
Mr. Draper

Mr. Bethea, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Clayton, Assistant to the Chairman

The action stated with respect to each of the matters hereinafter referred to was taken by the Board:

The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System held on December 1, 1939, (two meetings) were approved unanimously.

Memorandum dated November 28, 1939, from Mr. Goldenweiser, Director of the Division of Research and Statistics, submitting the resignation of Mrs. Mary Q. Casady as a secretary in the Division and recommending that the resignation be accepted effective at the close of business on November 30, 1939.

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. R. J. Barbieri, Cashier, Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, San Francisco, California, reading as follows:

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"This refers to your letter of November 14, 1939, and subsequent correspondence, stating that it has been necessary to establish a temporary subsidiary office of your London branch at Denham Studios, Denham, Uxbridge, Middlesex, England, to which duplicate accounts and records have already been transferred, and requesting the Board's permission to transfer banking operations of your London branch to Denham, as a temporary measure for the duration of the present emergency of war, when, in the opinion of the management of your branch, such transfer becomes necessary.

"The Board understands that the essential banking operations of the branch are still being conducted in London, in which circumstances the Board's permission to establish a branch at Denham would not be necessary. Since, however, as indicated in your letter, it is impossible to foresee to what extent it will be found necessary to transfer the banking operations of your London branch to Denham, you are advised that the Board hereby approves your application to establish a branch at such place under the conditions outlined in the first paragraph of this letter and subject to the provisions of section 25 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended.

"Please keep the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco advised with respect to the extent and the date of the transfer of any banking operations to Denham."

Approved unanimously for transmission
through the Federal Reserve Bank of San
Francisco.

Telegram to Mr. Knoke, Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, reading as follows:

"Referring your December 1 letter, Board of Governors approves authorization by your directors to officers of your bank to extend a new credit to Banque Centrale de la Republique de Turquie under which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York will, prior to June 15, 1940, make loans not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$4,325,000 outstanding at any one time (in place of the two loans

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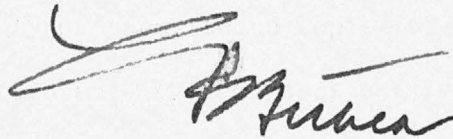
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"totalling \$3,309,000 previously granted to such bank and maturing on December 13 and December 15, 1939, respectively) secured by refined gold bars earmarked in vaults of your bank having a value equivalent to at least 111% of the loans made under this credit, such loans to be made as required by Banque Centrale de la Republique de Turquie to bear interest at your bank's discount rate and each loan to have a maturity of not more than three months and all loans made under this credit to be paid off by June 15, 1940, and otherwise to be made on such terms and conditions as the officers may determine.

"Participation in such loan or loans by other Federal Reserve banks is also approved and they will be advised by letter accordingly."

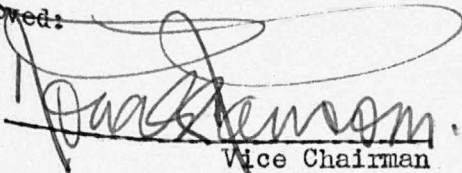
Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.



Assistant Secretary

Approved:



Vice Chairman