FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

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COUNTERFEIT FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

To All Banks in the
  Second Federal Reserve District:

New counterfeit $20 Federal Reserve notes that purport to be issues
of several Federal Reserve Banks are now appearing in volume in this District.

The U. S. Secret Service advises us that the counterfeits are fairly
deceptive. In most cases the shading lines of Jackson's portrait are coarse
and heavy and the cross-ruled lines in the background often merge into a solid
black. Some of the counterfeits bear red printed lines to simulate the dis-
tinctive fiber. On the reverse side, the ink varies from a dull yellow-green
to a green shade approximating that of the genuine note. Other known informa-
tion concerning the counterfeit notes is listed on the reverse side of this
letter.

All counterfeit currency received from any source should be marked
for identification and forwarded promptly, together with any information
concerning the source of such notes, to the nearest office of the U. S. Secret
Service, rather than to Washington, D. C. In this District, the Secret Service
has offices in Room 801, Federal Office Building, 90 Church Street, New York,
N.Y. 10007; in the Main Post Office Building, Syracuse, N.Y. 13201; in the
United States Court House, Buffalo, N.Y. 14202; and in the Post Office Building,
Federal Square, Newark, N.J. 07102.

Additional copies of this letter will be furnished upon request.

ALFRED HAYES,
President.

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The Secret Service has furnished the following known information

regarding these circulating $20 counterfeit notes:

Federal Reserve Bank	Check letter	Face plate No.	Back plate No.	Series
Boston	J	176	990	1950D
Boston	Q	219	941	1950C
Boston	Q	219	981	1950C
Boston	Q	219	929	1950C
New York	P	257	929	1950D
Cleveland	I	222	938	1950D
Cleveland	I	222	791	1950D
Cleveland	I	222	925	1950D
Cleveland	B	1	959	1963
Minneapolis	B	194	973	1950B
Minneapolis	B	194	891	1950B
Minneapolis	B	194	898	1950B

The serial numbers vary.