Executive Order No. 8389, as Amended, and Regulations Issued Pursuant Thereto, Relating to Transactions in Foreign Exchange, Etc.

To all Banking Institutions, and Others Concerned, in the Second Federal Reserve District:

For your information we quote below the text of a telegram received today from the Treasury Department:

The following is the text of General License No. 49, relating to Sweden and nationals thereof, issued today pursuant to Executive Order No. 8785 of June 14, 1941, and the Regulations issued thereunder:

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
Title 31—Money and Finance: Treasury
Chapter I—Monetary Offices, Department of the Treasury
Part 179

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
Office of the Secretary
June 20, 1941.

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 49 UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8389, APRIL 10, 1940, AS AMENDED, AND REGULATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT THERETO, RELATING TO TRANSACTIONS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE, ETC.*

(1) A general license is hereby granted licensing any transaction referred to in Section 1 of the Order, if (i) such transaction is by, or on behalf of, or pursuant to the direction of Sweden, or any national thereof, or (ii) such transaction involves property in which Sweden, or any national thereof, has at any time on or since the effective date of the Order had any interest, provided, that:

(a) such transaction is not by, or on behalf of, or pursuant to the direction of any blocked country or any national thereof, other than Sweden or any national of Sweden; and

(b) such transaction does not involve property in which any blocked country or any national thereof, other than Sweden or any national of Sweden, has at any time on or since the effective date of the Order had any interest; and

(c) if such transaction is not by, or on behalf of, or pursuant to the direction of the Government of Sweden or the Sveriges Riksbank, such transaction shall not be effected until a representative in New York, New York, of the Swedish Legation, designated for such purpose by the Minister of Sweden to the United States, has certified in writing that the Government of Sweden has determined that such transaction complies with the conditions of paragraphs (a) and (b) above.

(2) This license shall not be deemed to permit any payment, transfer or withdrawal from any blocked account other than blocked accounts in the name of the Government of Sweden or the Sveriges Riksbank, until the said representative in New York, New York, of the Swedish Legation has certified, with respect to the transaction, as provided in paragraph (1) (c) above.

(3) This general license shall not apply with respect to any national of Sweden who is also a national of any other blocked country.

(4) Banking institutions within the United States engaging in any transactions authorized by this general license shall file promptly with the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank weekly reports setting forth the details of transactions effected by them under this license.

(5) As used in this general license, the "Government of Sweden" shall include the government of any political subdivision (territories, dependencies, possessions, states, departments, provinces, counties, municipalities, districts or other places subject to the jurisdiction thereof), or any political agency or instrumentality of the government.

E. H. FOLEY, JR.
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

* Part 179;—Sec. 5(b), 40 Stat. 415 and 966; Sec. 2, 48 Stat. 1; 54 Stat. 179; Ex. Order 8389, April 10, 1940, as amended by Ex. Order 8785, June 14, 1941; Regulations, April 10, 1940, as amended June 14, 1941.
The following is the text of General License No. 50, relating to Switzerland and nationals thereof, issued today pursuant to Executive Order No. 8785 of June 14, 1941, and the Regulations issued thereunder:

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
Title 31—Money and Finance: Treasury
Chapter I—Monetary Offices, Department of the Treasury
Part 180

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 50 UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8389, APRIL 10, 1940, AS AMENDED, AND REGULATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT THERETO, RELATING TO TRANSACTIONS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE, ETC.*

(1) A general license is hereby granted licensing any transaction referred to in Section 1 of the Order, if such transaction is by, or on behalf of, or pursuant to the direction of the Government of Switzerland or the Banque Nationale Suisse, provided, that:

(a) such transaction is not by, or on behalf of, or pursuant to the direction of any blocked country or any national thereof, other than Switzerland or a national of Switzerland; and

(b) such transaction does not involve property in which any blocked country or national thereof, other than Switzerland or any national of Switzerland, has at any time on or since the effective date of the Order had any interest.

Any transaction engaged in by the Government of Switzerland or the Banque Nationale Suisse pursuant to the Order or for the account of any other national of Switzerland is also hereby authorized to the same extent, and under the same circumstances, as though such transaction were solely for the account of the Government of Switzerland or the Banque Nationale Suisse.

(2) This general license shall not be deemed to permit any payment, transfer or withdrawal from any blocked account, other than blocked accounts in the name of the Government of Switzerland or the Banque Nationale Suisse, except as provided in paragraph (3) of this general license.

(3) This general license also authorizes any payment or transfer of credit or transfer of securities from a blocked account in which any national of Switzerland has an interest to a blocked account in a domestic bank in the name of the Banque Nationale Suisse, if, prior to any such payment or transfer, the instructions to effect such payment or transfer are confirmed by the Banque Nationale Suisse; provided, however, that this authorization shall not be deemed to authorize any payment or transfer of credit or transfer of securities from a blocked account in which any national of a blocked country, other than Switzerland, has an interest, or has had an interest at any time on or since the effective date of the Order.

(4) This general license shall not apply with respect to any national of Switzerland who is also a national of any other blocked country.

(5) Banking institutions within the United States engaging in any transactions authorized by this general license shall file promptly with the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank weekly reports setting forth the details of transactions effected by them under this license.

(6) As used in this general license, the “Government of Switzerland” shall include the government of any political subdivision (territories, dependencies, possessions, states, departments, provinces, counties, municipalities, districts or other places subject to the jurisdiction thereof), or any political agency or instrumentality of the government.

E. H. Foley, Jr.
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

* Part 180;—Sec. 5(b), 40 Stat. 415 and 966; Sec. 2, 48 Stat. 1; 54 Stat. 179; Ex. Order 8389, April 10, 1940, as amended by Ex. Order 8785, June 14, 1941; Regulations, April 10, 1940, as amended June 14, 1941.

Additional copies of this circular will be furnished upon request.

Allan Sproul,
President.