

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OF THE
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
WASHINGTON

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE
TO THE BOARD



June 23, 1937.

Dear Sir:

There is attached a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System levying an assessment upon the various Federal reserve banks in an amount equal to three hundred and nineteen thousandths of one per cent (.00319) of the total paid-in capital stock and surplus (Section 7 and Section 13b) of the Federal reserve banks as of the close of business June 30, 1937, to defray the estimated expenses and salaries of the members and employees of the Board from July 1 to December 31, 1937, the estimated expenditures for furniture, equipment, furnishings, supplies, and expense of moving, in connection with the occupancy of the Board's new building, and the estimated cost of maintenance and operation of the building for the six months' period ending December 31, 1937.

The resolution also contains instructions with regard to the manner in which the payments on the assessment shall be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "O. E. Foulk".

O. E. Foulk,
Fiscal Agent.

Inclosure.

TO CHAIRMEN OF ALL FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS.

RESOLUTION LEVYING ASSESSMENT

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, contains the following provisions:

"The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall have power to levy semiannually upon the Federal reserve banks, in proportion to their capital stock and surplus, an assessment sufficient to pay its estimated expenses and the salaries of its members and employees for the half year succeeding the levying of such assessment, together with any deficit carried forward from the preceding half year, and such assessments may include amounts sufficient to provide for the acquisition by the Board in its own name of such site or building in the District of Columbia as in its judgment alone shall be necessary for the purpose of providing suitable and adequate quarters for the performance of its functions. After approving such plans, estimates, and specifications as it shall have caused to be prepared, the Board may, notwithstanding any other provision of law, cause to be constructed on the site so acquired by it a building suitable and adequate in its judgment for its purposes and proceed to take all such steps as it may deem necessary or appropriate in connection with the construction, equipment, and furnishing of such building. The Board may maintain, enlarge, or remodel any building so acquired or constructed and shall have sole control of such building and space therein.

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"The Board shall determine and prescribe the manner in which its obligations shall be incurred and its disbursements and expenses allowed and paid, and may leave on deposit in the Federal reserve banks the proceeds of assessments levied upon them to defray its estimated expenses and the salaries of its members and employees, * * * and funds derived from such assessments shall not be construed to be Government funds or appropriated moneys."

WHEREAS, it appears from a consideration of the estimated expenses of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the six months' period beginning July 1, 1937, including expenditures for furniture, equipment, furnishings, supplies, and expense of moving, in connection with the occupancy of the Board's new building, and the cost of maintenance and operation of the building, that it is necessary that a fund equal to three hundred and nineteen thousandths of one per cent (.00319) of the total

paid-in capital stock and surplus (Section 7 and Section 13b) of the Federal reserve banks be created for such purposes, exclusive of the cost of printing, issuing and redeeming Federal reserve notes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM, That:

(1) There is hereby levied upon the several Federal reserve banks an assessment in an amount equal to three hundred and nineteen thousandths of one per cent (.00319) of the total paid-in capital and surplus (Section 7 and Section 13b) of each such bank at the close of business June 30, 1937.

(2) Such assessment shall be paid by each Federal reserve bank in two equal installments on July 1, 1937, and September 1, 1937, respectively.

(3) Every Federal reserve bank except the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond shall pay such assessment by transferring the amount thereof on the dates as above provided through the Inter-district Settlement Fund to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond for credit to the account of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on the books of that bank, with telegraphic advice to Richmond of the purpose and amount of the credit, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond shall pay its assessment by crediting the amount thereof on its books to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on the dates as above provided.