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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Mr. Hunter Miller, Mr. Hengstler and I suggest that you sign this statement to be attached to Executive Order No. 6657 as an authoritative statement of the fact that the Order was never actually in operation having been superseded by another Order of the same date and bearing the number 6657-A.

W. C. Clegg

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Executive Order No. 6657, March 27, 1934, was signed by the President. There were, however, some changes which were necessary and some omissions to be inserted, and as a result the order was immediately superseded by Executive Order No. 6657-A of the same date, March 27, 1934.

Therefore, Executive Order No. 6657 was never actually in operation.

Secretary of State.

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Mr. Miller:

Dear Board:

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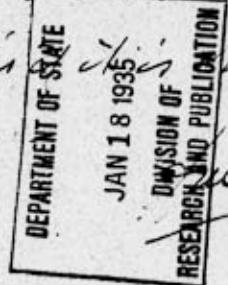
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MR CARR

*Mr. Mudd (HA) I concur HC*  
*Mr. Carr (AC) I concur. WLB*  
January 17, 1935.

The President signed Executive Order of March, 1934 which was numbered 6657. Inasmuch as it was felt to be incomplete, the order was kept confidential and not promulgated, and the President signed a replace order No. 6657A of the same date.

Since the first order was signed it is understood we are compelled to keep it as of record, although never issued, and immediately superseded.

In order that there may be no confusion to persons subsequently examining the Executive Orders, it seems desirable that the appended statement of facts be signed by the Secretary and attached to No. 6657 and that the latter be released from the "confidential" file.

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Mr. Brown:

Please see me.

G. B.

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Mr. Wynne:

Dear Cyril:

I talked this morning with Mr. Hengstler regarding Executive Order No. 6657 of March 27, 1934, containing regulations for payment of losses due to depreciation of foreign currencies, et cetera. As you are well aware this order was superseded by Executive order No. 6657-A. Because of the superseding order distribution of No. 6657 was withheld. Mr. Hengstler said that there is no longer any reason for regarding No. 6657 as confidential and added that there is no occasion to trouble Mr. Carr in the matter.

Accordingly, I suggest that proper notation might be made to show that this order No. 6657 of March 27, 1934, is not deemed confidential.

*Ans.*

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# EXECUTIVE ORDER

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## REGULATIONS FOR PAYMENT OF LOSSES SUSTAINED BY OFFICERS, ENLISTED MEN, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED STATES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES DUE TO APPRECIATION OF FOR- EIGN CURRENCIES IN THEIR RELATION TO THE AMERICAN DOLLAR

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act entitled "An Act to authorize annual appropriations to meet losses sustained by officers and employees of the United States in foreign countries due to appreciation of foreign currencies in their relation to the American dollar and for other purposes," approved March 26, 1934, and in order to afford immediate relief, I prescribe the following temporary regulations, which shall apply to all officers, enlisted men, and employees of the United States while in service in foreign countries.

### Definition

1. The words in the Act "while in service in foreign countries" shall be understood to mean (a) while employed in or on assignment or detail to a post of duty in a foreign country, (b) while en route through a foreign country or on a foreign vessel to or from such post, (c) while, during such assignment or detail abroad, on leave of absence with pay in a foreign country, (d) while traveling in foreign countries under official orders, or (e) while attached to and serving on board United States vessels stationed in foreign waters for not less than thirty consecutive days.



Purpose of the Act

2. The purpose of the Act and these regulations is to provide for reimbursement to officers, enlisted men, and employees of the United States (hereinafter referred to as employees) for losses sustained from appreciation of foreign currencies in their relation to the American dollar.

Method of Computation of Payment of Losses

3. (a) The loss above referred to is that sustained by the conversion into foreign currency of that portion of the employee's salary expended abroad. For purposes of these temporary regulations and until further regulations shall have been made, the proportion of the employee's salary so converted and expended shall be deemed to be 75% of his total net salary, except as provided in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section.

(b) In addition to the foregoing, losses shall be deemed to have been incurred by conversion and expenditure abroad of all allowances, except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section.

(c) In case of employees serving under the War and Navy Departments (with the exception of military and naval attaches and other employees attached to their offices, who shall be governed by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section), the loss by conversion into foreign currency shall be deemed to have been incurred on 80% of the total net pay and allowances.

(d) In case of employees traveling in foreign countries under official orders not employed in or on assignment or detail to a post of duty in a foreign country, no part of the employee's salary shall be deemed to be converted or expended abroad for the purposes of these regulations.

(e) In case of employees who sustained losses arising from the conversion of salaries or allowances (including those paid from fees either in foreign or American currency) during the period from July 15, 1933, to the effective date of this order, the losses sustained through conversion shall be calculated as provided in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this section. Claim for reimbursement for such loss shall be accompanied by the best evidence, available to the employee, of the rate at which conversion was made.

(f) As used in this section:

The term "net salary" means the base salary less any deduction for contribution to the retirement or other fund, or on account of percentage deductions in compensation.

The term "net pay and allowances" means the employee's full pay, including extra or additional pay, and all allowances (other than those furnished in kind) less deductions therefrom on account of allotments, fines and forfeitures, clothing, hospital, Civil Service Retirement Fund, percentage deductions in compensation, and other sundry checkages.

Basic Exchange Rates for Computation of Losses

4. For the basis of computation of losses as referred to in the foregoing Act, the following rates are prescribed as the basic rates for foreign currencies:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MONETARY UNIT</u>	<u>BASIC RATE</u>
Albania	Gold fr.	19.303
Argentina	Peso	29.529
Austria	Schilling	14.0177
Belgium	Belga	13.9315
Bolivia	Boliviano	36.5
Brasil	Milreis	7.8883
Bulgaria	Lev	.7187
Canada	Dollar	93.5456
Chile	Peso	10.1827
China	Yuan	23.5143
Colombia	Peso	95.743
Costa Rica	Colon	25.00
Cuba	Peso	100.00
Czechoslovakia	Koruna	2.9831
Danzig	Gulden	19.4052
Denmark	Krone	22.6408
Dominican Republic	Dollar	100.00
Ecuador	Sucre	20.00
Egypt	Pound	428.6069
El Salvador	Colon	50.00
Estonia	Kroon	26.6161

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MONEY UNIT</u>	<u>BASIC RATE</u>
Ethiopia	N. T. Dollar	21.6288
France	Franc	3.9243
France (Possessions)		
Algiers	Franc	3.9243
Martinique	Franc	3.9243
Saigon	Franc	3.9243
Tahiti	Franc	3.9243
Tunis	Franc	3.9243
Finland	Markka	2.0674
Germany	Reichmark	23.74
Great Britain	Pound	417.9441
Great Britain (Possessions)		
Aden	Rupee	31.4953
Australia	Pound	346.1882
Barbados	Dollar	76.36
Belize	Dollar	100.00
Colombo	Rupee	31.5607
Gibraltar	Pound	423.4492
Hamilton, Bermuda	Pound	417.9441
Hong Kong	Dollar	25.8643
India	Rupee	31.1568
Kingston, Jamaica	Pound	417.9441
Lagos	Pound	422.1153
Malta	Pound	423.0069
Nassau	Pound	417.9441
Nairobi	Pound	423.2107
Newfoundland	Dollar	100.00
New Zealand	Pound	357.9337
Penang	Dollar	48.2202
Singapore	Dollar	48.2202
Trinidad	Dollar	100.00
Greece	Drachma	1.0784
Guatemala	Quetzal	100.00
Haiti	Gourde	20.00
Honduras	Lempira	50.00
Hungary	Pengo	17.4601
Iraq	Pound	
Irish Free State	Pound	417.9441
Italy	Lira	5.1804



<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MONEY UNIT</u>	<u>BASIC RATE</u>
Japan	Yen	39.7627
Latvia	Lat	19.2915
Liberia	Pound	399.00
Lithuania	Litas	9.9969
Luxembourg	Frano	2.69
Mexico	Peso	35.5555
Morocco	Frano	3.84
Netherlands	Florin	40.2597
Netherlands (Possessions)		
Surabaya	Florin	40.2597
Curacao	Florin	40.2597
Batavia	Florin	40.2597
Medan	Florin	40.2597
Nicaragua	Cordoba	100.00
Norway	Krone	22.4995
Palestine	Pound	
Panama	Balboa	100.00
Paraguay	Peso	1.52
Persia	Rial	5.539
Peru	Sol	29.723
Poland	Zloty	11.1939
Portugal	Escudo	3.8608
Portugal (Possessions)		
Lourenco Marques	Pound	478.24
Rumania	Leu	.5957
Siam	Baht	37.78
Spain	Peseta	9.3863
Switzerland	Gold frano	19.3961

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MONEY UNIT</u>	<u>BASIC RATE</u>
Sweden	Krona	22.8103
Syria	Syrian Lb.	78.54
Turkey	Lira	47.1906
Union So.Africa	Pound	463.2315
Uruguay	Peso	59.1743
U. S. S. R.	Rouble	
Venezuela	Bolivar	18.71
Yugoslavia	Dinar	1.6923
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Method of Payment to Employees

5. From and after the effective date of this order, each employee shall be entitled to receive in foreign currency such amount as he would have received by converting into such foreign currency, at the basic rates specified in section 4, that portion of his allowances and net salary deemed to have been converted as provided by section 3.

Authority to Modify

6. The foregoing regulations are temporary and subject to change hereafter, and for the purpose of further adjustment future orders or regulations may, with respect to compensation for exchange losses, be retroactive to the date of this order or to July 15, 1933.

Effective Date

7. This order shall take effect as of April 1, 1934.



The White House,

March 27, 1934.

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