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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Bennett, Co-Chairman
Senator Binkley, Co-Chairman
Finance Committee

FROM: Peggy Mulligan *PAM*
Secretary of the Senate

RE: Executive Order No. 65

The President has referred Executive Order No. 65 (moving the Alaska Foreign Office from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor).

Attached is a copy of Section 23, Article III of the Constitution describing procedures for executive orders.

Enclosure

cc: Special Committee on International Trade

invasion. The governor, as provided by law, shall appoint all general and flag officers of the armed forces of the State, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. He shall appoint and commission all other officers.

Martial
Law

SECTION 20. The governor may proclaim martial law when the public safety requires it in case of rebellion or actual or imminent invasion. Martial law shall not continue for longer than twenty days without the approval of a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session.

Executive
Clemency

SECTION 21. Subject to procedure prescribed by law, the governor may grant pardons, commutations, and reprieves, and may suspend and remit fines and forfeitures. This power shall not extend to impeachment. A parole system shall be provided by law.

Executive
Branch

SECTION 22. All executive and administrative offices, departments, and agencies of the state government and their respective functions, powers and duties shall be allocated by law among and within not more than twenty principal departments, so as to group them as far as practicable according to major purposes. Regulatory, quasi-judicial, and temporary agencies may be established by law and need not be allocated within a principal department.

Reorganization

SECTION 23. The governor may make changes in the organization of the executive branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration. Where these changes require the force of law, they shall be set forth in executive orders. ~~The legislature shall have sixty days of a regular session, or a full session if of shorter duration, to disapprove these executive orders. Unless disapproved by resolution concurred in by a majority of the members in joint session, these orders become effective at a date thereafter to be designated by the governor.~~

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 65

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, and in accordance with AS 24.08.210, I order the following:

* Section 1. FINDINGS. As governor, I find that it would be in the best interests of efficient administration to move the Alaska Foreign Offices from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor, thus recognizing more fully the importance of their activities to the economic welfare of the state.

* Sec. 2. AS 44.19 is amended by adding a new section to read:

ARTICLE 5A. ALASKA FOREIGN OFFICES.

Sec. 44.19.675. ALASKA FOREIGN OFFICES ESTABLISHED. There are established in the Office of the Governor two Alaska Foreign Offices. The offices are to be located in Tokyo, Japan, and Seoul, Republic of Korea. The offices shall serve as outlets for information related to economic development, resources, and trade, and as contact points for government and private industry of Alaska and the Pacific Rim nations of Asia to promote and maintain trade between the state and those countries.

(b) The governor shall staff the offices with persons the governor selects based on their experience, training, and linguistic ability. The governor shall solicit ideas from the legislature regarding desirable staff qualifications and its recommendations of persons to staff the offices. The governor may hire additional personnel as necessary.

(c) The governor shall direct all state agencies, and request the federal government and private industry, to provide the foreign offices with necessary reports, brochures, and information requested by the staffs of the foreign offices.

(d) The governor shall report annually to the legislature on the

1 activities and accomplishments of the offices.

2 (e) The expenses of operating the offices shall be included in
3 appropriations made to the Office of the Governor.

4 * Sec. 3. AS 44.33.020(26) and 44.33.530 -- 44.33.550 are repealed.

5 * Sec. 4. TRANSITION. Contracts and proceedings entered into by the
6 Alaska Foreign Offices are not affected by the relocation made by this
7 Order. Records, equipment, and other property of the offices whose func-
8 tions are transferred under this Order must be transferred, consistent with
9 the provisions of this Order.

10 * Sec. 5. This Order takes effect July 1, 1987.

11 DATED: January 19, 1987

12 Juneau, Alaska

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16 Steve Cowper, Governor
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STEVE COWPER
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

January 19, 1987

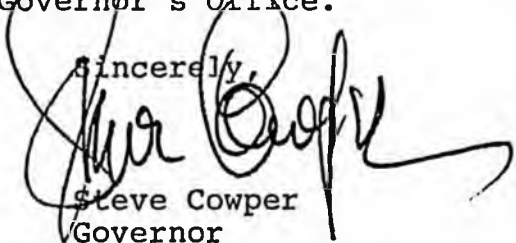
The Honorable Jan Faiks
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Faiks:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting Executive Order No. 65, to transfer the Alaska foreign offices from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor. I believe that the activities of those offices are vital to the economy of the state, and I intend to become personally involved in their activities. This transfer will more fully recognize the value of those offices and will facilitate my supervision of them.

The Order consolidates into one statute the language presently in AS 44.33.530 -- 44.33.550, which sections are being repealed in sec. 3 of the Order. No substantive change is being made. This action reverses that taken in 1984 when Executive Order No. 57 renamed the old Alaska State Office and moved it from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Commerce and Economic Development. I am confident that you will agree with me that the importance of the Pacific Rim countries to Alaska's economic well-being justifies this return to the Governor's Office.

Sincerely,



Steve Cowper
Governor

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REQUEST: _____

Bill Version: Executive Order #65

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Title: Alaska Foreign Offices

Agency Affected: Comm. & Econ. Dev.

BRU: International Trade

Sponsor: Rules

Requestor: Steve Cowper, Governor

Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Date: January 13, 1987

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