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April 29, 1989

To: Rep. Mike Davis, Chairman
Legislative Council

From: George Jacko, Chairman
House Special Committee on Foreign Trade

Subject: Interim Work

My anticipated interim work are in several areas. First I would like to develop a proposal for a trip to Russia in Late September, or early August. In General this trip would consist of three Legislative committee members leading a contingency of approximately 10 business people from the private sector.

In 1987, Soviet Secretary General Gorbachev and President Regan Signed a Joint Declaration which called for increased exchanges and research between Alaska and the Soviet Far East. Gorbachev gave an unprecedented call to pursue "cardinal changes and new approaches in order to invigorate coastal & border trade"

Since this Declaration, we have witnessed and increased amount of exchanges between Russia and Alaska, including a recent visit by a contingency of Russian government official's this past session. From these exchanges we have found that both Alaska and Russia are sincerely committed to developing trade. We are now at the point of needing to learn "where lies the Golden egg." Alaskan business people need to

establish contacts, build rapport and explore such things as production capacity, product mix, distribution systems and transportation infrastructure within the Soviet Union. In short, increased trade is only possible after we gain first hand knowledge of Russia.

We do know that government plays a major role in the Soviet Union and, a contingency of business people from Alaska would have many more doors opened to them if they were led by an official delegation. For this reason the State of Alaska would very likely realize tangible economic benefits from such a trip.

In conjunction with this trip I would like to further *explore* and *discuss* with the Soviets the proposal to open a new shipping route to Europe through the Arctic utilizing Soviet Ice Breakers.

A considerable amount of *coordination* and *planning* are necessary to make such a trip successful. Immediately upon adjournment I would direct committee staff to begin *researching* and further *developing* the particulars of this trip. I would like to submit a detailed proposal sometime in the fall. My estimation of the total cost of such a trip is \$68,000. I am tentatively requesting approximately \$12,000 for legislators and one staff coordinator travel. Committee staff and myself propose to raise the balance from private and Philanthropic foundation through out the United States.

I would also like for this committee to hold hearing and pursue that which is necessary for Alaska to capitalize on the value added aspect of this states major fishing industries. At present, tremendous economic benefit from our fishery accrues to Seattle and other areas out side of Alaska.

Primarily, this has to do with Alaskans shortage of cold storage and warehousing capacity as well as improper transportation corridors and distribution networks to our primary foreign markets. As a result of this work, I would hope to come up with *suggestions* and *direction* for Alaska so that we might one day realize near full economic benefit of this renewable natural resource.

Through out the interim it is my goal to have this Foreign Trade Committee function as a *forum* for foreign trade interests. Not only with the Soviet Union But other Pacific Rim countries as may be brought to the committee by members or otherwise. Up until now Alaska has virtually ignored the development and marketing of minerals and other natural resources to Foreign countries, Alaska cannot afford this attitude any longer. There is much that can be done to diversify and develop Alaskan's Economy; there will be no better future time to do it, and it is the special committee on foreign trade which should be *exploring* and *pursuing* these possibilities right now.

Thank you Mr. Chairman for your consideration of my proposed interim work plan. If you or others have additional suggestion or points of contention with my proposal, please bring that to my attention.

**PROPOSAL FOR A
LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST**

**Sponsor: The House Committee on Foreign and Domestic Trade
Representative George Jacko, Jr., Chairman**

Contact: 561-6154

Henceforth, European commerce, European politics, and European activities, although becoming actually more intimate, will nevertheless, sink in importance, while the Pacific Ocean, its shores, its islands, and the vast regions beyond, will become the chief theatre of events in the world's great hereafter.

- William Seward
U.S. Secretary of State, 1861-1869

David G. Timberman, "In Search of a Pacific Basin Community," Asian Survey, (Vol. XXI, No. 5), May, 1981, p. 579.



U.S.-USSR and the Pacific

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The Soviet Union
The Soviet Far East
Selected Maps of Alaska, the Soviet Far East
and the Arctic Region

ABSTRACT

What: The House Foreign Trade Committee Mission to the Soviet Far East

When: September 21 to October 6, 1989

Purpose: To increase understanding among public policy makers of Alaska's relationship with the Soviet Far East; to evaluate this relationship and its ramifications for the state; and to determine what role the state should play in this new and rapidly developing relationship.

Where: Magadan Oblast, Cities of Provideniya and Magadan
The Kamchatka Oblast, City of
Petrpavlovsk-Kamchatskii
Khabarovsk Territory, City of Khabarovsk
Primorskii Territory, Cities of Vladivostok and
Nakhodka

Who: Members from the House Committee on Foreign Trade:

George Jacko, Chairman
Mike Davis
Johnny Ellis
Bill Hudson
Virginia Collins
Paul Fuhs, Mayor of Unalaska
Heather Bradner, Committee Assistant
Ron Miller, International Trade Specialist
Governor's Office of International Trade
John Tichotsky, Translator

9 delegation members total

Goals:

1. To increase the awareness and involvement of the public policy making branch within state government in determining Alaska's future in the Pacific Rim.
2. To further cooperation among the legislative, executive and and other branches of state government in determining an overall coordinated state policy toward one of our closest and most rapidly changing partners in the Pacific Rim - the Soviet Union.
5. To assess the nature and direction of the Alaskan-Soviet Far East relationship, which has gained great momentum within the last year through the initiative of a broad and diverse coalition of Alaskan interest groups.
6. To be cognizant of mutual problems and concerns between Alaska and the Soviet Far East as northern regions of the globe:
 - Fisheries
 - Natural resource development
 - The Arctic environment
 - Cold weather technology
 - Telecommunications
 - Tourism
 - The port and transportation industries of the North Pacific
 - The health, education and welfare of our indigenous peoples
4. To create a bipartisan "working group" within the legislature to accumulate knowledge and expertise in the Alaska-Soviet Far East relationship.
5. To exchange policy and lawmakers from each country to develop our understanding of each system. Only after an increased understanding of each system can lawmakers be in a position to truly assess the potential benefits to Alaska of keeping this relationship alive.

Methodology:

1. The delegation will primarily consist of members from the House Special Committee on Foreign Trade. An interpreter and a member of the Governor's Office of International Trade will accompany the delegation, as will the mayor of the Unalaska, the city with perhaps some of the strongest historical and economic links with the Soviet Union.
2. All members of the delegation should be willing and able to commit time and effort in hosting a Soviet legislative delegation before January, 1991. This return trip will be sponsored by the House Foreign Trade Committee. Ideas and projects discussed during our initial trip will be discussed and developed further during the return visit.

3. The trip will be divided into three different phases:

I. Preparation

It is essential for the delegation to be conversant on the history and status of Alaskan-Soviet relations. Several briefings by Alaskan groups with extensive experience with the Soviet Union will be scheduled. A briefing on Russian language and protocol, as well as on the recent changes in Soviet political structure under perestroika will also be scheduled.

II. Trip

The delegation will be sponsored by the Executive Committee (the legislative equivalent) of each region. Please see the enclosed itinerary for information.

III - Post trip

1. Upon return, the Committee will hold hearings to conclude and evaluate the trip. Before January 15th of the next legislative session, the Committee will prepare a report summarizing accomplishments and recommendations for state and federal legislation.

The Committee should forward its final report and include an assessment of the feasibility of trading with the Soviets to the Fiscal Policy Subcommittee, which is considering long term fiscal strategies for the state of Alaska.

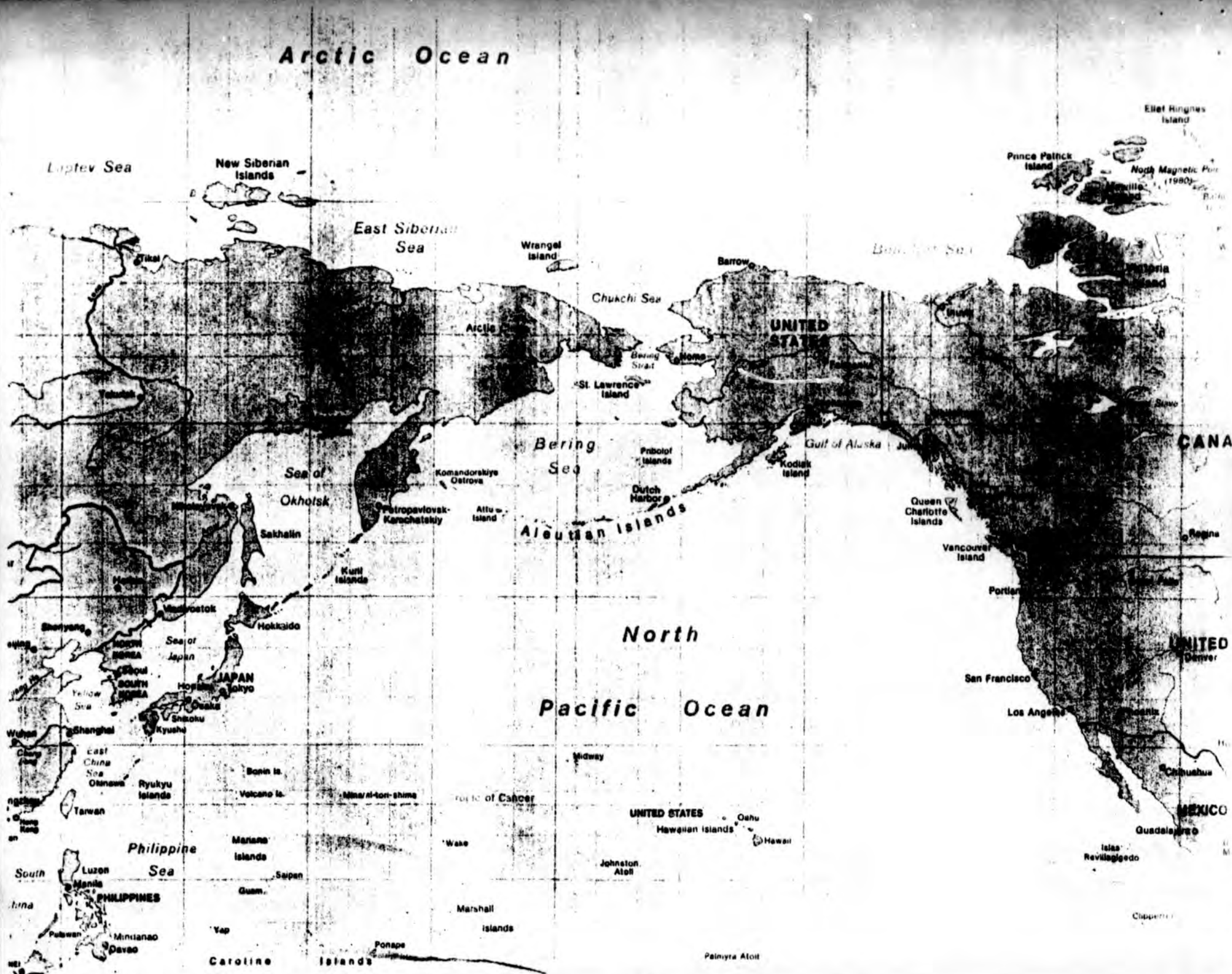
2. The Committee will continue to function as a forum for Soviet-Alaskan interests throughout next session and interim.

3. The Committee should assume the responsibility of hosting a reciprocal Soviet delegation when their visit occurs.

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LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO THE SOVIET FAREAST
September 22 to October 6, 1989

1. SAMUEL RICHARD COTTEN ****TENTATIVE****
Speaker of the House of Representatives
072242119
Date of expiration June 15, 1999
Date of birth July 16, 1947 K-II 380048
- 13 2. GEORGE GILLIE JACKO
Chairman, House Special Committee on Foreign Trade
072239907
Date of expiration June 14, 1999
Date of birth December 14, 1959 K-II 380056
3. MIKE DAVIS
Member, Foreign Trade Committee
Chairman, Legislative Council
021200100
Date of expiration December 18, 1994
Date of birth August 15, 1946 K-II - 380052
- 17 4. JOHNNY ELLIS, JR.
Member, Foreign Trade Committee
Chairman, Health, Education and Social Services Committee
071036070
Date of expiration July 13, 1997
Date of birth March 13, 1960 K-II 380055
- 5 5. WILLIAM R. HUDSON
Member, Foreign Trade Committee
D1880781
Date of expiration September 28, 1993
Date of birth, December 14, 1932 K-II 380051
- 1 8 6. VIRGINIA COLLINS ****TENTATIVE****
Member, Foreign Trade Committee
071372882
Date of expiration June 22, 1998
Date of birth April 12, 1937 K-II 380054
- 4 7. PAUL FUHS
Mayor, City of Unalaska
070466857
Date of expiration February 5, 1996
Date of birth March 27, 1949 K-II 380053
- 12 8. HEATHER SHANNON BRADNER
Trip Coordinator and Foreign Trade Committee Assistant
070979223
Date of expiration June 4, 1997
Date of birth June 10, 1964 K-II 380050
- 3 9. RONALD WAYNE MILLER
International Trade Specialist, Office of the Governor
070986640
Date of expiration June 18, 1997
Date of birth September 27, 1945 K-II 380192
- 14 10. JOHN TICHOTSKY, Translator
G013794
Date of expiration January 26, 1996
Date of birth May 25, 1966



ITINERARY

DATE	DAY	LOCATION	EVENT
3/21	Thu	morning:	
		8:20 a.m. depart Anc	Alaska Airlines flight #51
		10:00 a.m. arrive Nome	
		10:00 a.m. - noon	Prepare to depart Nome
		12:00 noon depart Nome	Bering Air Charter

We will CROSS THE INTERNATIONAL DATELINE and arrive Provideniya (21 hours ahead of Nome time) although actual flight is only one and a half hours.

3/22	Fri	ETA 10:30	Arrive Provideniya
			Customs, etc...
		12:00 noon	Greet Mayor Kulinkin Community reception Present message from Legislature in support of native travel; establishing a special economic zone of free trade and tourism between Nome and Provideniya; promotion of educational, cultural exchange; recent Search & Rescue and other developments of Governor's trip
			Lunch - present gift Brief tour of region port facilities, outlying areas Time to visit a village?
		3:40 p.m.	Depart Provideniya on Aeroflot
		Connecting flight	Anadyr - possible overnight

9/22 Fri	late evening or	Arrive Magadan
9/23 Sat	early morning	
9/23-9/27	Magadan 4 days	Tour community & region Visit gold mining outside of Magadan or other resource development areas Lunch or dinner with Executive Committee and Govenor Kobets Present message from Legislature Slide show on oil spill Slide show on geography, economy, politics of AK Discussion of resources of area/environment Possible helicopter to more remote part of Magadan to see resource development and agriculture Discussion of trade ventures and problems of AK-SFE trade Visit port facilities Discussion on how to best coordinate AK-SFE relations: AK-Magadan Commission Visit elementary school with Soldatna exchange program Tour joint-research facility between University of Alaska and Magadan on arctic research Visit other collectives

9/27 Wed

early morning:

Depart Magadan to Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskii
(Center of the Soviet fishing industry)

Aeroflot

2 days in Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskii

Tour of region
Fisheries and
ocean resources

Port, transportation
discussions

"Sister city" idea
or "friendly" city
with Kodiak or
Unalaska

Mr. Vladimir Efimov
-video space
bridge?

Slide shows - oil
spill & Alaska

9/29 Fri

Early morning:

Depart Petropavlosvsk to Vladivostock

Aeroflot

9/29 Fri

Vladivostok 4 days

Dinner with Executive
Committee and
Chairman Lutsenko

Oil spill slide show

Alaska slide show

Status of AK-Vlad
protocol

Discuss Northern
Sea Route

Visit Far Eastern
Shipping Company
(FESCO)

Tour port of
Vladivostock

Visit local
industries

Visit Pacific
Research Institute
(TINRO)

Discuss establishment
of North Pacific
Science and Trade
Association

9/30 Sat

10/1 Sun

Day of rest
Group meeting/review

10/2 Mon

Day trip to Nakhodka - "Gateway to the Pacific"
Visit port facilities with
city officials
Visit Free Trade Zone

10/3 Tue

Late evening
Depart Vladivostok to Khabarovsk

10/4 Wed

2 days Khabarovsk

10/5 Thu

Local/regional officials
Tour Amur River
Visit local industries
Visit school
-AK presentation
-slides
Discuss status of
sister-state
agreement
Learn relations with China
and Asian economies
Helicopter/fly/drive to
another part of
Khabarovsk territory

10/6 Fri

Depart Khabarovsk to Niigata, Japan 5:20 a.m. Aeroflot #695
Arrive Anchorage 11:15 a.m. same day

or:

Cross Bering Straits via Provideniya depending on monies
funded

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The Foreign and Domestic Trade Committee will offer the following itinerary as part of the trip:

10/6 Fri Overnight in Osaka

10/7 Sat Fly Osaka, Japan to Seoul, Korea

4 days in Seoul

Oversight of State
office in Seoul
Meet trade officials
View fisheries
imports from AK
and the value
added to these
raw imports.

10/10 Tue Fly Seoul, Korea to Tokyo, Japan

Tokyo
2 days

Oversight of State
office in Tokyo
Visit fish market
Visit distributors
of Alaskan fish
imports

10/12 Fly Tokyo to Anchorage, direct

JAL, SAS or KLM

KLM Flight 868
Depart Tokyo 9:30 p.m.
Arrive Anchorage 11:05 a.m.

SAS Flight 980
Depart Tokyo 9:30 p.m.
Arrive ANC 11:10 a.m.

JAL Flights are daily
Departing Tokyo
Arriving Anchorage 11am

END OF ITINERARY



THE SOVIET FAR EAST



THE SOVIET UNION



THE SOVIET FAR EAST AND ALASKA



**SELECTED MAPS
OF ALASKA, THE SOVIET FAR EAST,
AND THE ARCTIC REGION**

List of Maps

U.S.-USSR and the Pacific

The Soviet Far East and Alaska

The Bering Strait Region

The Soviet Far East

The Soviet North

The Arctic Region

These maps were compiled by Gunnar Knapp, Associate Professor of Economics,
University of Alaska Anchorage, Institute of Social and Economic Research



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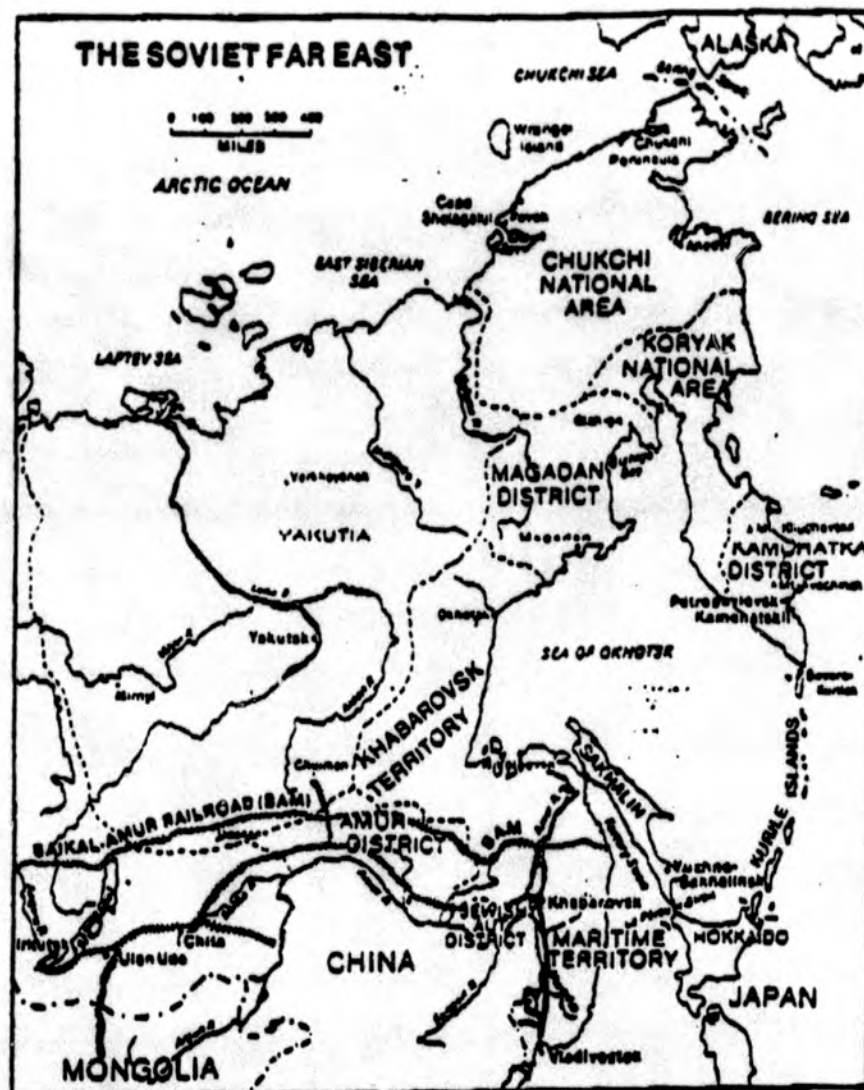
Major cities of the Soviet Far East include Khabarovsk (pop. 1,663,000), the capital of Khabarovsk Territory and an economic and trade center; Petropavlovsk (pop. 252,000), center of Soviet fisheries industry; Magadan (pop. 151,000), staging area for mining industry; Anadyr (pop. 30,000), a government center; Provideniya (pop. 5,000), a port and producer of reindeer products and prefabricated concrete.

The Bering Strait Region



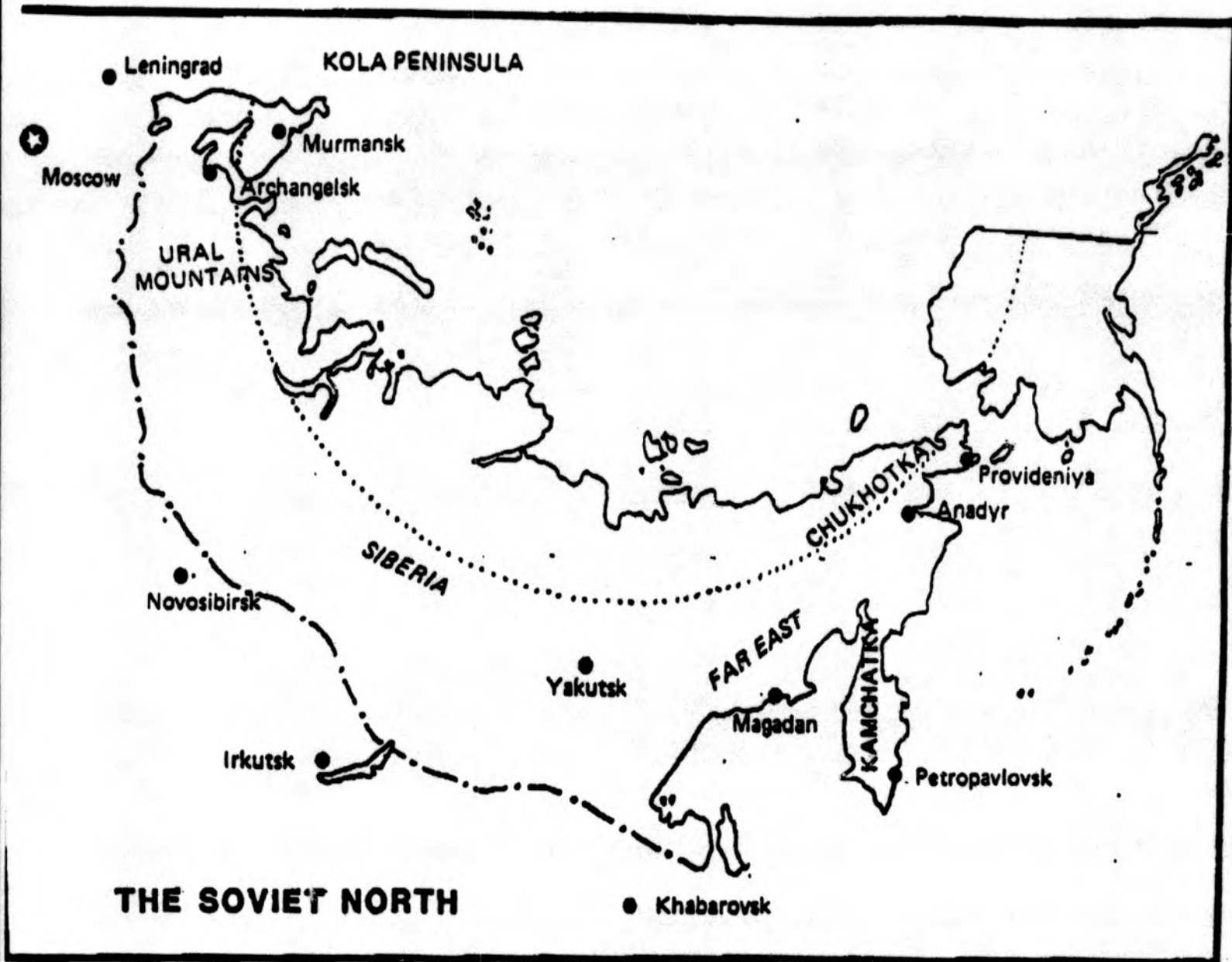
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Arctic Region



**ПРЕДЛОЖЕНАЯ ПОЕЗДКА СПЕЦИАЛЬНОЙ ДЕЛИГАЦИИ НА
СОВЕТСКИЙ ДАЛЬНИЙ ВОСТОК**

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КОНСПЕКТ

Тема: Группа законодателей из Аляски возглавит специальную делегацию состоящую из представителей портов Аляски, транспорта, связи и рыбных предприятий на Советский Дальний Восток.

Спонсор: Специальный комитет внешней и внутренней торговой палаты представителей Аляски 16-го законодательного округа.

Дата: с 22 по 29 сентября 1989 г.

Цель: Расширить познания о зависимости Аляски и Советского Дальнего Востока от развития портовой, транспортной, коммуникационной и рыбной промышленности в северной части Тихого Океана; а также определить области обоюдного интереса обеих стран; оговорить планы на будущее и возможности развития этих отраслей индустрии, и определить возможности совместных работ на благо обеих стран.

Города: Хабаровск, Владивосток и Находка

Члены делегации:

Три члена комитета внешней торговли;
6 - 7 экспертов по бизнесу и различным отраслям индустрии
1 переводчик
1 координатор
1 дипломированный студент в области международной торговли

Цели поездки:

1. Направить специализированную делегацию на Советский Дальний Восток для рассмотрения предложений направленных на сотрудничество в районе побережья Тихого океана. Специальные предложения которые мы хотели бы обсудить с представителями Советского Союза приведены ниже:

- * Маршруты северных морей - сотрудничество по перевозке грузов.**
- * Улучшение связи вдоль побережья Тихого океана путем проложения фибрового оптического кабеля.**
- * Содействие в развитии туризма на Советском Дальнем Востоке.**
- * Недавнее соглашение между США и СССР о создании центра помощи при разливе нефти в Тихом океане.**
- * Обсудить вопросы рыбной промышленности, руководство и защиту. Создание научного и торгового фонда в районе Тихого океана.**

2. Провести работу по воплощению результатов предыдущих переговоров.

3 Продолжить уже ведущиеся значительные интернациональные обмены идеями, технологией и культурой, установленные в результате предыдущих встреч и обмена.

4. Оценить зависимость сотрудничества между Американским и Советским народами и значение этой кооперации для улучшения качества жизни на планете.

5. Прередать дружеский привет и сообщение о кооперации между Америкой и Советским Союзом, между северными народами Аляски и Советским Дальним Востоком, между городами побратимами Аляски и Хабаровской области.

Методология:

В состав делегации войдет 12 человек с различными познаниями и экспертизой во многих отраслях.

- 1. Каждый делегат внесет свои познания, талант, энергию для внедрения в следующих сферах:
Транспорт, связь, порты и причалы, туризм, рыбная индустрия, защита окружающей среды, законодательство.**

Не ограничиваясь проведением совещаний, семинаров, и дискуссий за круглым столом и обменом сведениями из перво-источников, участники встретятся и проконсультируются со своими зарубежными коллегами по различным предложениям.

2. Работа этой делегации будет продолжена на Аляске, где будут участвовать другие организации: такие как Комитет Палаты Внешней и Внутренней торговли, организация " Порты Аляски", Управление международной Торговли штата Аляски, местные общественные организации, управления муниципалитетов и частные предприятия.

В итоге, мы надеемся что эта делегация приведет к обоюдно выгодным экономическим соглашениям.

ITINERARY

September 22 - 29, 1989

DATE-DAY	CITY	AREAS OF INTEREST
9/20 Wed	Depart Anchorage	
9/21 Thu	Arrive Osaka, Japan - overnight	
9/22 Fri	Arrive Khabarovsk	
9/23 Sat to 9/25 Mon	3 days in Khabarovsk	Khabarovsk Chamber of Commerce Meet local and regional officials Discussions on communications, transportation, port and fishing industries in North Pacific and specific proposals Visit local industries A Recreational Event: Tour of Amur River Theatre
9/26 Tue	2 days in Vladivostok	Visit Far Eastern Shipping Company (FESCO) Tour port of Vladivostok Visit local industries Discuss opening Northern Sea Route for joint ventures Visit the Pacific Research Institute of USSR (TINRO)
9/28 Thu	1 day in Nakhodka - "Gateway to the Pacific"	Fisheries Issues -research, management, marketing, environmental concerns, protection -ocean pollution Establishment of North Pacific Fisheries Science and Trade Association
9/29 Fri	Fly to Khabarovsk	
9/29 Fri	Return to Japan, Alaska	

The delegation can stay a longer period of time to accomplish objectives. At this point in time, likely delegates are:

Representative Sam Cotton
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Representative George Jacko
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Trade
Representative Mike Davis
Chairman, Legislative Council
Representative Cliff Davidson,
Chairman, Resources Committee
House Resources Committee
Paul Fuhs, Mayor

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City of Unalaska



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Special Committee On Foreign Trade

MEMORANDUM

TO: Sam Cotten, Speaker
House of Representatives

FROM: Representative George Jacko, Jr. *HB for SJ*
Chairman, Foreign Trade Committee

DATE: August 21, 1989

SUBJECT: Budget Request for the House Special Committee on
Foreign Trade trip to the Soviet Far East.

Enclosed is the funding request for the Foreign Trade Committee's trip to the Soviet Far East. As our trip is scheduled to depart in exactly one month, I would appreciate your review and approval of the enclosed budget.

For your reference, I have also enclosed documentation to indicate the basis of this funding request.

I look forward to discussing this with you in more detail at your earliest possible convenience.

Thank you.

cc: Mike Davis, Chairman
Legislative Council

Enclosures

BUDGET FOR 7 STATE-FUNDED PERSONNEL TO USSR/JAPAN/KOREA FOR
3 WEEKS (5 legislators, 1 staff, 1 interpreter):

A. Travel request:

\$ 1320. (\$220. O/W fare x 6) Anchorage to Nome
\$ 2250. (\$375. O/W fare x 6) Nome to Provideniya, USSR

\$ 2352. (\$336. x 7) Khabarovsk to Niigata, Japan
*We are waiting for price confirmation on this flight
\$ 1022.24 (146.04 x 7) Niigata, Japan to Osaka, Japan
\$ 1609.32 (268.22 x 6) Osaka to Seoul, Korea and return Osaka
\$ 9380. (\$1,340. x 7) Osaka to Anchorage

\$17,933.60 = Total travel request

*It should be noted the above travel request fluctuates between 6 and 7 people as the translator will already be in Provideniya, USSR when our delegation arrives, and is therefore not included in the Anc-Nome-Provideniya cost. Also, please note the Russian translator would not go to Korea or Japan at state expense, but would continue home direct to Alaska.

B. Travel advance:

Soviet Union:

All per diem (housing, meals, local transport) within the Soviet Union will be paid by the Soviet hosts with the understanding that the Special Committee on Foreign Trade of XVI Alaska Legislature will host a 10 member delegation of Soviet legislators in Alaska for a similar time period before January, 1991.

Japan:

\$2352. (\$196/person/day x 2 days = \$392. x 6 people)

Korea:

\$3600. (\$150/day x 4 days = \$600. x 6 people)

\$5952. = Total per diem request

C. Additional costs:

Translator fees explained below:

\$3,850 (total salary of translator) =
 \$275./day x 14 days [Sept. 22-Oct.6]
 (Equivalent to \$17.11/hr for 16 hrs/day)

\$3,850. divided by 8 delegates using his services
= \$481.25 fee per person

\$3,850 - \$962.50 (\$481.25 x 2 non-legislative delegates)
= \$2,887.50

\$2887.50 = state funded fee for translator

\$550. Gifts

 \$ 50. = 5 Alaska Blue Books

 \$160. = 4 books entitled The Divided Twins at \$40/book

 \$ 50. = plaque for sister state of Khabarovsk

 \$190. = Miscellaneous gifts for Soviet legislators
 and ministry officials:
 30 solar calculators at \$3/piece = \$90
 10 calendars at \$4/piece = \$40
 10 photo books at \$6/piece = \$60

 \$ 50. = Miscellaneous small gifts for Japan
 5 calendars at \$4/piece = \$20.
 5 photo books at \$6/piece = \$30.

 \$ 50. = Small gifts for Korea
 (Same as quoted under Japan)

\$3437.5. = Total "Additional Costs" request

\$27,323.1 = TOTAL FUNDING REQUEST
 (Total of categories A + B + C)



Travel Services, Inc.

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August 8, 1989

Attn: Heather Bradner
Anchorage Legislative Information Office
State of Alaska International Trade
FAX 562-4376/ 562-4484(after 5:00pm)

Dear Heather:

The following is a recap of airfare summarizations given over the phone August 4th.

This is presented for two purposes: (1) Airfare update due to a change in the methodology of international airfare construction, instituted worldwide July 1st.

(2) Comparison of the requested one way fares versus round trip transpacific fares

AIRFARES PRESENTED FOR: LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST

METHOD 1./Use of one way airfares combined with charter cost

\$220.00 Anchorage to Nome
\$375.00 Nome to Laurentia to Provideniya (Cost provided by Bering Sea Charter)

THE CONTINUING PORTION WITHIN USSR TO BE PROVIDED BY THE HOSTS

*\$336.00 Khabarovsk to Nigata, Japan
*Currently there is a discrepancy between carriers on this cost
This is based on the Rupee exchange rate to the dollar/8 Aug.@.6407
\$146.04 Nigata to Osaka, Japan
\$268.22 Osaka to Seoul, Korea and return Osaka
\$1340.00 Osaka to Anchorage (inclusive of stop in Tokyo)
\$10.00 US Customs reentry tax

\$2693.26 TOTAL

METHOD 2./Round trip transpacific fares

\$1092.00 Anchorage-Tokyo-Osaka-Seoul-Anchorage
\$13.00 Intl tax
\$292.08 Osaka-Nigata-Osaka
\$510.52 Nigata to Khabarovsk
\$336.00 Khabarovsk to Nigata

\$2243.60 TOTAL

Above fares are the latest provided by SAS and JAL current August 1989.

Respectfully, *Jayne Slaughter* Jayne Slaughter, International Consultant

END

LOCALITY	MAXIMUM PER DIEM RATES	EFFECTIVE DATE	LOCALITY	MAXIMUM PER DIEM RATES	EFFECTIVE DATE
ITALY (Cont'd)			JAPAN (Cont'd)		
San Remo	\$ 96	8-1-89	Oyama	\$139	6-1-89
Siena	141	8-1-89	Sapporo (Hokkaido)	205	6-1-89
Sigonella (Sicily)	106	8-1-89	Sendai (Miyagi)	187	6-1-89
Sorrento	76	8-1-89	Takamatsu (Kagawa)	172	8-1-89
Stresa	152	8-1-89	Takayama (Gifu)	176	8-1-89
Taranto	112	8-1-89	Tokushima	164	8-1-89
Tirrenia	102	8-1-89	Tokyo 2/	196	8-1-89
Trento	83	8-1-89	Tokyo 3/	133	8-1-89
Treviso	83	8-1-89	Tottori	163	8-1-89
Trieste	117	8-1-89	Toyama	167	6-1-89
Turin	152	8-1-89	Tsu	153	8-1-89
Udine	95	8-1-89	Wakayama	160	6-1-89
Uta (Sardinia)	77	8-1-89	Yokohama (Kanagawa)	174	6-1-89
Varese	95	8-1-89	Other	104	6-1-89
Venice			JERUSALEM	116	3-1-89
(11/1-3/31)	156	8-1-89	JORDAN	97	7-1-89
(4/1-10/31)	168	8-1-89	KENYA		
Verona	92	8-1-89	Kisumu	58	7-1-89
Vicenza	78	8-1-89	Lion Hill Camp (Nakuru		
Villasor	77	8-1-89	National Park)	53	7-1-89
Other	67	8-1-89	Malindi	65	7-1-89
JAMAICA			Mombasa		
Kingston	122	8-1-89	(4/1-7/31)	69	7-1-89
Montego Bay			(8/1-12/14)	89	7-1-89
(5/1-12/14)	132	9-1-85	(12/15-3/31)	108	7-1-89
(12/15-4/30)	172	4-1-85	Nairobi	98	7-1-89
Negril			Nakuru	37	7-1-89
(5/1-12/14)	112	6-1-87	Nanyuki	119	7-1-89
(12/15-4/30)	150	6-1-87	Other	26	7-1-89
Ocho Rios			KIRIBATI		
(5/1-12/14)	132	9-1-85	Christmas Is	135	8-1-89
(12/15-4/30)	172	4-1-85	Other	56	8-1-89
Port Antonio			KOREA		
(5/1-12/14)	132	9-1-85	Changwon	97	6-1-89
(12/15-4/30)	172	4-1-85	Cheju	139	6-1-89
Other	45	2-1-87	Kwangju	94	6-1-89
JAPAN			Masan	106	8-1-89
Akita	172	6-1-89	Okpo (Kojedo)	91	6-1-89
Amagasaki (Hyogo)	190	6-1-89	Pusan	134	6-1-89
Aomori	169	6-1-89	Seoul	150	6-1-89
Asahikawa	141	6-1-89	Taegu	87	6-1-89
Ashiya (Hyogo)	190	6-1-89	Taejon	140	6-1-89
Beppu (Oita)	165	6-1-89	Ulsan	132	6-1-89
Chitose	153	6-1-89	Other	80	6-1-89
Fukui	171	8-1-89	KUWAIT	127	7-1-89
Fukuoka	205	6-1-89	LAOS	53	8-1-88
Fukuyama (Hiroshima)	169	6-1-89	LATVIA	124	8-1-89
Gifu	174	6-1-89	LEBANON 16/	50	5-1-88
Hiroshima	178	8-1-89	LESOTHO	60	6-1-89
Kagoshima	145	6-1-89	LIBERIA		
Kanazawa (Ishikawa)	181	8-1-89	Monrovia	156	6-1-89
Kitakyushu (Fukuoka)	205	6-1-89	Monrovia 1/	140	6-1-89
Kobe (Hyogo)	190	6-1-89	Roberts Int'l Airport	156	6-1-89
Kochi	155	8-1-89	Other	42	11-1-82
Kumamoto	160	6-1-89	LIBYA	113	6-1-89
Kure (Hiroshima)	155	6-1-89	LIECHTENSTEIN	100	8-1-89
Kushimoto (Wakayama)	137	6-1-89	LITHUANIA	124	8-1-89
Kyoto	147	8-1-89	LUXEMBOURG	133	8-1-89
Matsue (Shimane)	165	8-1-89	MACAU	95	6-1-89
Matsuyama (Ehime)	163	6-1-89	MADAGASCAR	84	7-1-88
Miyazaki	144	6-1-89	MADEIRA IS	137	8-1-89
Morioka (Iwate)	164	6-1-89	MALAWI		
Nagasaki	174	6-1-89	Blantyre	76	8-1-89
Nagoya (Aichi)	179	8-1-89	Lilongwe	86	8-1-89
Nara	177	8-1-89	Mangoche	58	8-1-89
Narita Int'l Airport	151	5-1-89	Mzuzu	69	8-1-89
Niigata	144	6-1-89	Zomba	60	8-1-89
Nishinomiya (Hyogo)	190	6-1-89	Other	27	8-1-89
Obihiro	144	6-1-89	MALAYSIA		
Oita	165	6-1-89	Kota Kinabalu, Sabah	116	7-1-89
Okayama	167	6-1-89	Kuala Lumpur	88	6-1-89
Okinawa Is	126	6-1-89	Kuching	110	7-1-89
Osaka	190	6-1-89	Other	88	6-1-89
Otsu	159	8-1-89			

Bering Air

Nome Airport
Box 1660
Nome, Alaska 99762
(907) 443-6464

(907) 443-6620 Accounting
443-6421 Maintenance
443-5919 FAX Machine

INFORMATION PACKAGE FOR PROSPECTIVE VISITORS TO THE USSR

DATE: 18 July, 1989

Thank you for contacting Bering Air about flights between Nome, Alaska, and the Soviet Far East. This information package is designed to answer the most commonly asked questions about this unique flying experience.

A little background.....Bering Air is a US commuter airline operating under the Federal Aviation Regulations, Part 135. All of the flights to and from Nome and the USSR are operated on a charter basis. The opening up of the airways between western Alaska and the Soviet Far East represents the fulfillment of a goal that has existed in the thoughts of many Alaskans. Bering Air owner Jim Rowe has had a personal interest in seeing this border open after 15 years of flying throughout western Alaska with the ever present Soviet coastline so close, yet so terribly far away. The opportunities are fascinating for developing new friendships, reuniting separated families, and improving upon the years of misunderstanding.

However: Provideniya, Lavrentiya, Egvekinot, and Anadyr are still considered to be "closed" cities within the USSR. Access to them by US citizens and other nationals is by invitation from the Soviet authorities only. Visas are issued specifically for visiting one or another of the Soviet cities.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO GO TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST

You are responsible for arranging for an invitation for yourself or your group, and setting target dates for traveling from Nome to the USSR and return to Nome. With written invitation in hand, you can apply to the Consulate of the USSR in San Francisco, CA for a visa into the USSR. You will need to have a current passport to apply for a visa. Submission of the visa applications, four photographs, and the \$25 fee are the travelers' responsibility. When passports, invitations, visas, and travel dates are arranged, the travelers need to arrange their transportation between the point of origin and Nome. Alaska Airlines serves Nome daily from Anchorage and the lower 48 (800-426-0333).

WHAT BERING AIR DOES FOR FLIGHTS TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST

Bering Air handles all arrangements relating to the operation of the flight. Bering applies for permission for each flight through the proper authorities in Moscow. In that flight permit application, Bering needs to include the names of all passengers, passport numbers, nationality, expiration dates, and confirm that passengers have visas. Bering Air needs to have all that information from passengers at least two weeks in advance of the proposed travel dates.

At the present time, there are no U.S. Customs or U.S. Immigration officials stationed in Nome. Bering arranges for the Customs and/or Immigration personnel to come from Anchorage to Nome, and pays their fees. These fees are all included in the charter costs, or seat fare costs.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN THE SOVIET FAR EAST

Americans who have business dealings in the Soviet Far East will find that their travel time and costs can be significantly reduced by chartering on Bering Air. Most flights have a mixture of people traveling; some on business, some on pleasure. A most remarkable aspect of the trip is simply going to a distant land, seeing its interesting natural fjord and tundra landscape, and meeting the friendly people. Cities have few visitor facilities, so meals and lodging need to be coordinated with your Soviet hosts. Sightseeing, museums, shops, and travels outside of the cities are all activities that can provide days of fascinating discovery.

FACILITATION AND INVITATIONS

Travelers may find that it will help expedite matters if a Russian speaking person assists them. Translation and consulting services are available:

Soviet American Resource Consultants (translations)	
Vyacheslay (Jerry) Tokar	3510 Spenard Road
Vladimir (Walter) Bhagatram	Suite 101
PHONE (907) 278-5783	Anchorage, Alaska
FAX (907) 276-8525	99503 USA

Invitations: Stimpfle/Johnson Projects
Jim Stimpfle
Dan Johnson
PHONE (907) 443-2002
FAX (907) 443-5349

P.O. Box 729
Nome, Alaska
99762-0729 USA

FACILITATION (continued)

Visas: Consulate General of the USSR 2790 Green Street
San Francisco
California, USA
94123
PHONE (415) 922-0293
FAX (415) 929-0306

Aeroflot Schedule:

FROM	TO	
Provideniya	Anadyr	M,W,F,SU depart 1440 local (1740 ADT)
Anadyr	Moscow	M,TU,TH,SA depart 1215 local (1515 ADT)

Keep in mind that the Chukotka region is one day ahead of Alaska, for example Monday at 1 p.m. (1300) in Nome, is Tuesday at 10 a.m. (1000) in Providineya.

HOW MUCH WILL A FLIGHT COST????

Bering Air uses a twin-engine, nine-passenger Piper Chieftain for these flights. At the present time, most flights from Nome to Provideniya only have six to eight people on board. That is because there are nine seats, but only about 1,300 pounds that can be used to fill those seats. Coming back from Provideniya to Nome, the available load is about 1,500 pounds.

Charter flight costs from Nome-Provideniya-Nome are \$1,750. However, the additional charges for Customs, Immigration, Soviet landing fees, and flight coordination with Moscow brings the total cost to \$3,000. If additional flights are required on the same day, as would be the case with larger groups, the additional flights are \$2,250 since some of the costs are covered by the initial flight.

The chartering party with established credit at Bering Air or upon credit approval may elect to pay the \$1,750 charter cost and be billed for the actual additional expenses of customs, immigration, landing fees, etc. plus a 10% administrative fee.

If a party has chartered the aircraft for a certain number of seats, Bering may sell the remaining available seats for \$250 per seat, one way. In the event that seats on a chartered flight are sold on this "seat fare" basis, Bering will deduct 50% of the seat fares sold from the chartering party's charges. On all international charter flights, passengers are allowed 50 pounds of baggage, with excess baggage charged at the rate of \$0.75/pound.

Before Bering Air initiates contacts to obtain flight clearances, we must have a \$500 (US) non-refundable deposit from the chartering group. This amount covers the costs that Bering incurs, regardless of whether the flight eventually operates (cost of telexes, phone calls, faxes, personnel time).

FLIGHT CHECKLIST

1. Chartering party arranges for a Soviet sponsor to issue invitations to the members of the chartering group. _____
2. Chartering party contacts Bering Air to initiate the charter flight planning process. Bering needs the following information:
 - a) travel dates _____
 - b) names and number of people traveling _____
 - c) amount of baggage or cargo to be transported _____
 - d) passport numbers expiration dates and nationality of travelers _____
 - e) name, address and phone number of sponsoring Soviet organization _____
 - f) verification that visas have been applied for or are in hand _____
3. Chartering party applies for visas to the Soviet consulate in San Francisco, CA. (if visas not already in hand) _____
4. Chartering party pays non-refundable \$500 fee for Bering's administrative costs in arranging charter _____
5. Chartering party arranges for transportation to Nome, Alaska via commercial carriers. _____
6. Bering arranges for U.S. Customs and/or Immigration to be available in Nome for departures/arrivals. _____
7. Arrangements for payment to Bering of charter costs is made through Bering Accounting Department (907) 443-5620 _____
8. Chartering party flies to Nome. Charter flight operates to/or from Provideniya or other USSR destination. _____

John Tichotsky
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Anchorage, Alaska 99510
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July 25, 1989

To: Robert Poe, Director, Governor's Office of International
Trade
Virginia Brelsford
Ronald Miller

From: John Tichotsky

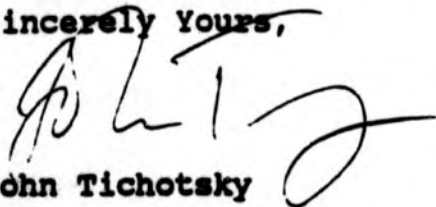
I would like to indicate that I am very eager to join the Governor
on his trip to the Soviet Fareast.

I am certain that you are aware of my qualifications as an
interpreter as I have engaged in work for the Governor and your
office in the past. In addition, I have travel as a representative
of the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), where I
am currently employed, in the trip that your office concluded
jointly with the University of Alaska.

I have spoken to the Lee Gorsuch, Director of ISER and he has
agreed to give me a leave of absence from my present duties if I
am fortunate enough to travel with the Governor.

I believe that \$275 a day and expenses would be sufficient
compensation for my services.

Sincerely Yours,


John Tichotsky

USCG

Commander David Pascoe } oil agreement
202 - 267 - 0421
703 ?

Call USFW, EPA,

Environmental Protection Agreement
Signed between US/USSR in 1972

May 11th - This particular agreement a culmination
of 4 years effort - spurred by
Exxon Valdez -
Signed between USCG and MinmarFlot
Soviet Merchant Marine
to clean pollution in Bering
Sea, including oil

Other agreement:

- World Oceans agreement
- Environmental Protection Agreement
in 1972

US-USSR Pollution Agreement

World Ocean Agreement

Deputy for exchanges
for Soviet desk

Sid Smith

*** Wayne Neil ***
Conversant

202-647-9370
at people to

Agreement between

USCG + Soviet equivalent
for cleaning pollution
in Bering Sea

In keeping up what
Soviets have been
doing

Minmar Hot - Soviet
Merchant Marine

Env Protection Agreement - 1972

- Coincidence
USPAW

- Call EPA

- Call CG - Commander David Pascoe

202-267-0421
Vgin suburbs 703 -

- May 11, +

Visibility accord agreed

- Written agreement that
USCGG was working on
w/ Soviet counterparts since 1986

- 1986 was when relations warmed
enough to work/talk/negotiate

- Last October, finals worked out
and signed this May

Later 1989 - 1st contingency plan will
be finalized and signed

Agreement was government to
government, signed May 11,
and was entitled:

"Agreement between Gov of US
+ Gov of USSR concerning
cooperation in combating
pollution in the
Bering + Chukchi Seas
in emergency situations"

Future work:
direction given
to
Bureau,
lot of
state agencies
involved,
lists made up
or pa

Initiative due to other
contingency plans w/ Canada
+ USSR Mexico

Initiative came from
USCGG Office in Bureau -
asked Fed USCG in WADC to
look into in USSR

In early ~~mid~~ 80's, negotiations
difficult

EPA also involved -

- What kind of pollution endangers?

US/USSR ~~the~~ meets annually { those that
have responsibility }

Agreed we should get together
after interim of cold relations

- This May 11th Agreement is
first attempt at joint written agreement ^{on}
prior to this USSR just ^{oil}
getting geared up for oil
pollution

Strike teams on USA first -

Agreement allows each other
to operate in each
others waters

Vladivostok would be the port
in which response would be
mounted - they have a
"strike" team - (9) in whole USSR
Administration

Looking at additional strike teams
in other areas -

Petrovsk - Sakhalin Island

Ministry of Merchant Marine

MinmarFlot -

- 1) US - Canada cont plan :
Beaufort Sea Area
Dixon Entrance