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Captain H. C. Moore,  
Headquarters, U. S. Coast Guard,  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

SS HERMAN F. WHITON, O.N. 244579

I wish to refer to our letter dated May 23, 1950 on the subject of the application filed by Pacific Tankers, Inc., on behalf of Olympic Whaling Company, Inc., for the approval required, pursuant to Section 9 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended, of the sale of the T-2 tanker HERMAN F. WHITON, Official No. 244579 to Transatlantica Financiera Industrial, S.A., a Panamanian corporation, with transfer to Honduran registry and flag, which application was subsequently amended to read "transfer to Panamanian registry and flag."

This is to advise you that the Maritime Administration, on August 11, 1950, approved the above referred to application and agreed to issue Transfer Order formalizing such approval when (1) satisfactory evidence had been filed with the Maritime Administration that the Honduran tanker OLYMPIC GAMES had been documented under the laws of the United States; and (2) the buyer shall have filed an Agreement, secured by a Bond in the sum of \$50,000, both in form satisfactory to the General Counsel, agreeing that the registry of the HERMAN F. WHITON, except as provided herein, shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Maritime Administration.

Under date of August 21, 1950 the Honduran tanker OLYMPIC GAMES was documented under the laws of the United States and given Official No. 260538, with ownership in Pacific Tankers, Inc., a Delaware corporation. The above referred to Agreement and Bond were executed by the transferee and accepted by the Maritime Administration. Accordingly, as all of the conditions of the approval had been met, Transfer Order MA-37 was issued in evidence of approval of the sale of the HERMAN F. WHITON to Transatlantica Financiera Industrial, S.A., a Panamanian corporation, with transfer to Panamanian registry and flag. A certified copy of the said Order is attached for your records.

cc: Capt. Robert A. Smyth  
Merchant Marine Tech. Div.

Chief, Intelligence & Law Enforcement  
Division

Very truly yours,

*Ruth Holmes*  
Ruth Holmes

Division of Contract Evaluation  
and Administration