

round log export will completely offset any benefits to either national or local economy otherwise anticipated.

WALTER J. HICKEL,
Governor of Alaska.

[Telegram]

KETCHIKAN, ALASKA, *January 14, 1968.*

Senator E. L. BARTLETT,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.:

Urge you oppose round log export from Alaska. Letter follows.

SECRETARY,
LOCAL 62, INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S
& WAREHOUSEMEN'S UNION.

[Telegram]

KETCHIKAN, ALASKA, *January 13, 1968.*

WAYNE MORSE-BOB BARTLETT,
U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.:

Appreciate your invitation to present testimony on log export. Prior commitment precludes my attendance. Have designated John Reekie to attend and represent Alaska Bankers Association.

A. D. ROBERTSON,
President, Alaska Bankers Association.

INTERNATIONAL WOODWORKERS OF AMERICA,
LOCAL 3-193,
Ketchikan, Alaska, January 15, 1968.

Senator E. L. "BOB" BARTLETT,
*Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR BARTLETT: The matter of raw log exports has become a very controversial matter over the past few years and there are many mixed feelings over it, not only among employers but the bargaining representatives of their employees as well.

Our International Union feels that there should be a very thorough study of the matter and solid facts established before the matter is changed materially. This is pointed out in a wire from International President, Ronald Roley, to the informal hearing held by the Oregon and Washington Congressional Delegates on November 27. (A copy is enclosed herein.) The Local Union membership in Alaska support this and request that any further legislative action be held up until facts covering the entire picture are known.

We in Alaska have a vast timber resource and wish to attract new industry within our State boundaries. The Local membership, while only a part of our International Union, feel that the export of raw logs from Alaska will make it unnecessary for foreign capital to invest in manufacturing or primary manufacturing plants in Alaska as they now indicate the interest to do. It would also tend to discourage domestic capital from investing in Alaska, either on a new venture basis or expansion of existing operations.

After the facts are all known we will then be in a position to act more positively and cooperatively in the industry, however until the entire matter is clear we are opposed to the export of raw logs from Alaska.

To cite one example of what we are talking about, we will have a mill in the City of Ketchikan which employs approximately 60-70 people. They plan to expand to a double shift very soon. This mill is in the export business and is at present applying the primary manufacturing aspect to these logs before the lumber is shipped. They have installed a chipper and are in the process of installing a barker. If these logs are shipped in the round it is quite clear what will happen to the employment at this mill.

Thanking you for your interest and attention we are,
Sincerely

ED DECKER,
Financial Secretary.