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Senator E. L. Bartlett
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Bartlett,

We take this opportunity to urge you, who has done so much for the economic development of Alaska, to oppose round log export from this State of Alaska.

Much has been done in this community by the Ketchikan Spruce Mill to develop and expand exports to the Japanese Market in processed timber. A sizable amount of money has been spent and much more committed for plant improvement and production expansion. The recommendation of the Treasury Department Staff Report on the Pacific Northwest Log Export Problem to export round logs would likely result in sawmill closures and other economic disruptions similar to those which occurred in the States of Washington and Oregon.

We feel that some method of utilizing timber resources in Alaska to benefit U. S. balance of payments can be developed without imposing the same situation upon Alaska which proved disastrous to long established timber processing industries in the States of Washington and Oregon.

Rather, we wish to see expansion of the export of processed timber to the extent needed to accommodate all timber in Alaska referred to in the Report as necessary added annual cutting, and in volume large enough to benefit U. S. balance of payments.

Sincerely Yours

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