

Mr. NEHMER. Senator, I understand what you say very clearly. I do not, of course, concur and I do not think you expect me to concur with some of the views you have expressed.

I would like to interject, if I may, a very important point. If we should invoke the Export Control Act, this would affect the exports not only from the Government forest lands, but from the private lands as well.

Senator HATFIELD. That would please me a great deal.

Mr. NEHMER. I am not sure in terms of the industry's position that this is the consistent position of some people in the Northwest.

Senator HATFIELD. Let me ask you one further question.

You mentioned this meeting with Japan coming up. I assume, and I am not expert at all in this area of negotiations, but I assume that you are going into the negotiations with some kind of position.

Mr. NEHMER. I expect so, sir. We always do when we go into such negotiations.

Senator HATFIELD. Could you tell us without violating privileged information what that position is going to be?

Mr. NEHMER. If I may, Senator, I think it really will be more appropriate if I were to defer to Mr. Greenwald, who will be speaking after me, on this question. Whatever position is developed, I should add, will be—

Senator MORSE. If you plead privilege, I will sustain you.

Mr. NEHMER. I just want to add one point.

Whatever position is developed will be developed on an interagency basis. All of the agencies involved in this will be very much involved in drawing up our position.

Senator HATFIELD. Do I understand that you will participate, or let us say the Commerce Department—

Mr. NEHMER. Yes, sir.

Senator HATFIELD (continuing). Will participate in developing the position?

Mr. NEHMER. Yes, sir, and I will personally.

Senator HATFIELD. Do I infer further that Mr. Greenwald already has this position in his hip pocket, so to speak?

Mr. NEHMER. I think we had better have Mr. Greenwald speak for himself.

Senator HATFIELD. You said you would defer to Mr. Greenwald. Am I to infer Mr. Greenwald has the position?

Mr. NEHMER. It is being developed, I am sure. We are still a long way from the meeting, Senator.

Senator HATFIELD. Could you tell me whether or not industry members may be represented or will be represented in this February 20 meeting?

Mr. NEHMER. Yes, I believe that industry members will participate in the negotiations.

I believe I made a point of that in my statement.

Senator HATFIELD. At the bottom of page 3.

I think you are right.

We are also pleased that some members of the mission will serve on the U.S. delegation to the government meeting in Tokyo starting on February 20.