

Mr. SHORT. Yes, sir.

Mr. CURTIS. Well, this will be helpful. Do you think you need an amendment to your resolution? I was looking at it where it says, "which will encourage the American people to explore, use, and enjoy," and so forth. It might be good to have in the record, and I would certainly like to see it, "which will encourage the American people and others."

Do you think the words "and others" in there would clarify your position? I am pleased to see the initiative that led you to set up packages and other improvements for Americans. It is logical to set up similar packages so that others can benefit also.

Don't you think it would be good to clarify it so you can include others?

Mr. SHORT. We have always had the authorization under your resolution to work in both fields with the Americans in terms of travel at home and with foreign visitors to our shores.

Mr. CURTIS. Where do you figure that? I read this resolution.

Mr. SHORT. Travel to and within the United States.

Mr. CURTIS. Yes, but it says "encourage the American people." It doesn't say encourage other people.

Mr. SHORT. Public Law 88-416. I have it here in front of me. Let me read you section 2 of that:

The President is authorized to publicize any proclamation issued pursuant to the first section and otherwise to encourage and promote vacation travel within the United States of America, its territories and possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, both by American citizens and by citizens of other countries.

Mr. CURTIS. Yes, it does in that second paragraph, you are right. I think the first paragraph should include it, too. I was just being a little picky, but I was trying to pursue this a bit further. I will get that other information that you will supply for the record.

I am concerned, as you could tell from listening to my previous questions, as to why you think the Government would need to spend more money. It looks like you are doing darn well. I am just tickled to death to see this kind of thing. It is good investment. Your people are doing it.

Why in the name of heaven do you want Government money? You have done all of this without it and if you ask now for Government money, I can promise you that you are going to get Government interference. We have to interfere because we have a responsibility to see that Government money is spent in certain ways. I see no reason for asking governmental restrictions on your imagination, your ingenuity, on how you would spend money.

Mr. SHORT. May I point this out, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS. Surely.

Mr. SHORT. And I think that the analogy might be something that would give you at least my point of view. There are some classic examples within our country of good private sector programs and local government support promoting cities.

Mr. CURTIS. Oh, local; oh, well.

Mr. SHORT. And States. Now, wait so that you can understand me.

Mr. CURTIS. Yes.