to the mainland or am I wrong? Is it brought to California from some other way and then out 2,300 miles to Hawaii?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. This is the thing that puzzles us, Mr. Chairman, that they bring in the oil from the East directly to us in Hawaii, without first taking it to the mainland.

The CHAIRMAN. Right by you?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Yes, right by us, drop off the oil and yet charge us more for the oil.

The CHAIRMAN. There is no justification for that because it is 2,300 miles nearer to you than it is to the mainland.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. That is it exactly. Frankly speaking, Mr. Chairman, somebody is making a lot of money at the expense of the people of Hawaii.

Mr. BUSH. Mr. Chairman.

What is the price for a gallon of gasoline on the average?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. About 10 cents per gallon higher in Hawaii than the west coast.

Mr. BATTIN. What is it?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. About 48 cents per gallon.

The CHAIRMAN. Pardon me just a second.

Do I understand that most of the fuel that you use either in the form of gasoline or otherwise in Hawaii is refined within Hawaii?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Yes, right now, at this one oil refinery that was established several years ago.

The CHAIRMAN. And this refinery contends that it does not have a quota to bring oil into the United States and therefore must buy it from somebody else, is that the point?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. That is the statement which I read from the vice president of the oil company.

The CHAIRMAN. What is the company's name?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. The Standard Oil Co. that Mr. Fox represents.

Mr. FOX. I beg your pardon. I would like to correct that for the record. I have no connection whatever with the Standard Oil Co.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. I am sorry.

The CHAIRMAN. Who does?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. It is the Standard Oil Co. of California, Mr. Chairman. I thought Mr. Fox did. I am sorry.

The CHAIRMAN. What I am getting at is whether or not you would have any better price under the existing circumstances if you were out from under the quota?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. If we were exempted from the quota? Yes.

The CHAIRMAN. How were you going to get your oil then?

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Then we could import the oil directly from foreign sources, free of this quota system.

The CHAIRMAN. You can import it now from anybody who has a quota to ship to the United States.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. But the importers are also the domestic oil producers.

The CHAIRMAN. I understand, but you are only dealing with one of them.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. They have a monopoly because they run the only refinery there.