FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20579

In the Matter of the Claim of

POMPEO COLETTI

Claim No.CU - 4133

Order No. CU-548

Under the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This claim, for an unstated amount, against the Government of Cuba, under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, was opened by the Commission, on behalf of POMPEO COLETTI based upon certain losses which may have been sustained as a result of actions by the Government of Cuba since January 1, 1959.

Under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 [78 Stat. 1110 (1964) 22 U.S.C. §§1643-1643k (1964), as amended, 79 Stat. 988 (1965)], the Commission is given jurisdiction over claims of nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba. Section 503(a) of the Act provides that the Commission shall receive and determine in accordance with applicable substantive law, including international law, the amount and validity of claims by nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba arising since January 1, 1959 for

losses resulting from the nationalization, expropriation, intervention or other taking of, or special measures directed against, property including any rights or interests therein owned wholly or partially, directly or indirectly at the time by nationals of the United States.

Section 502(3) of the Act provides:

The term 'property' means any property, right, or interest including any leasehold interest, and debts owed by the Government of Cuba or by enterprises which have been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government of Cuba and debts which are a charge on property which has been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government of Cuba.

This claim was opened on the basis of information received by the Commission that claimant had been unable to return to the United States. Claimant returned to the United States in December of 1967 and was given information concerning the filing of claims for any property which might have been taken by the Government of Cuba.

Mr. Coletti thereafter contacted the Commission and by letter of April 30, 1968 was given claim forms and related information. As nothing was heard from him, a "follow-up" letter was sent on June 11, 1968.

Under date of June 17, 1968 Mr. Coletti addressed the Commission referring to several properties and asking what he might expect in this matter. The Commission's reply of June 20, 1968 made specific suggestions and informed him that no funds are available to pay claims against the Government of Cuba. A reminder was sent on October 17, 1968, and a "follow-up" letter was sent on April 30, 1969.

Mr. Coletti then raised a query as to the Internal Revenue Service and by letter of June 5, 1969 was advised that the Commission could not assist him in that area.

Accordingly, since Mr. Coletti has not perfected claim for interests in property which was nationalized, expropriated or otherwise taken by the Government of Cuba, it is

ORDERED that this claim be and it is hereby, dismissed.

Dated at Washington, D.C. and entered as the Order of the Commission

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By Order of the Commission

Francis T. Masterson Clerk