

Sale at cost.

supplies, and for the furnishing to such aircraft of mechanical service, shelter, and other assistance. Except for shelter for which no charge shall be made, all such articles shall be sold and such mechanical service and other assistance furnished at the cost thereof to the United States. All amounts received shall be credited to the appropriation from which such cost was paid.

Approved, May 31, 1939.

[CHAPTER 162]

AN ACT

Authorizing the President to invite the States of the Union and foreign countries to participate in the International Petroleum Exposition at Tulsa, Oklahoma, to be held May 18 to May 25, 1940.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized to invite by proclamation, or in such other manner as he may deem proper, the States of the Union and all foreign countries to participate in the proposed International Petroleum Exposition, to be held at Tulsa, Oklahoma, from May 18 to May 25, 1940, inclusive, for the purposes of exhibiting samples of fabricated and raw products of all countries used in the petroleum industry and bringing together buyers and sellers for promotion of trade and commerce in such products.

SEC. 2. All articles which shall be imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the International Petroleum Exposition or for use in constructing, installing, or maintaining foreign buildings or exhibits at the said exposition, upon which articles there shall be a tariff or customs duty, shall be admitted without payment of such tariff, customs duty, fees, or charges under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe; but it shall be lawful at any time during or within three months after the close of the said exposition to sell within the area of the exposition any articles provided for herein subject to such regulations for the security of the revenue and for the collection of import duties as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe: *Provided*, That all such articles, when withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States, shall be subject to the duties, if any, imposed upon such articles by the revenue laws in force at the date of their withdrawal; and on such articles, which shall have suffered diminution or deterioration from incidental handling or exposure, the duties, if payable, shall be assessed according to the appraised value at the time of withdrawal from entry hereunder for consumption or entry under the general tariff law: *Provided further*, That imported articles provided for herein shall not be subject to any marking requirements of the general tariff laws except when such articles are withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States, in which case they shall not be released from customs custody until properly marked, but no additional duty shall be assessed because such articles were not sufficiently marked when imported into the United States: *Provided further*, That at any time during or within three months after the close of the exposition, any article entered hereunder may be abandoned to the Government or destroyed under customs supervision, whereupon any duties on such article shall be remitted: *Provided further*, That articles which have been admitted without payment of duty for exhibition under any tariff law, and which have remained in continuous customs custody or under a customs exhibition bond, and imported articles in bonded warehouses under the general tariff law may be

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International Petroleum Exposition, Tulsa, Okla.
President authorized to invite the States and foreign countries to participate.

Dutiable articles imported for exhibition, etc.; admission free, under regulations.

Sales permitted.

Provisos.
Duty on articles withdrawn.

Deterioration allowance.

Marking requirements.

Abandoned articles.

Transfer privilege.

accorded the privilege of transfer to and entry for exhibition at the said exposition under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe: *And provided further*, That the International Petroleum Exposition shall be deemed for customs purposes only, to be the sole consignee of all merchandise imported under the provisions of this Act, and that the actual and necessary customs charges for labor, services, and other expenses in connection with the entry, examination, appraisement, release, or custody, together with the necessary charges for salaries of customs officers and employees in connection with the supervision, custody of, and accounting for, articles imported under the provisions of this Act, shall be reimbursed by the International Petroleum Exposition to the Government of the United States, under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and that receipts from such reimbursements shall be deposited as refunds to the appropriation from which paid, in the manner provided for in section 524, Tariff Act of 1930.

SEC. 3. That the Government of the United States is not by this Act obligated to any expense in connection with the holding of such exposition and is not hereafter to be obligated other than for suitable representation thereat.

Approved, May 31, 1939.

[CHAPTER 167]

AN ACT

To authorize necessary facilities for the Coast Guard in the interest of national defense and the performance of its maritime police functions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in the interest of national defense, and to provide adequate facilities for the Coast Guard for the performance of maritime police functions, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized (1) to construct and equip three Coast Guard cutters, of approximately two thousand tons displacement each and designed to have a speed of not less than twenty knots; (2) to establish, equip, and maintain a Coast Guard base and air station on the coast of Alaska in such locality as the Commandant of the Coast Guard may recommend; and (3) to purchase or construct, and to equip, fifteen seaplanes having a cruising range of not less than two thousand statute miles: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, authorize the construction of the public works and the provision of the public utilities required for the establishment of said Coast Guard base and air station on the coast of Alaska to be accomplished by the Secretary of the Navy under a provision to be incorporated in such contract as the Secretary of the Navy may negotiate for naval aviation facilities in Alaska under the authority contained in the Act approved April 25, 1939, entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works, and for other purposes" and the Secretary of the Navy, upon request and a transfer of the necessary funds, is authorized to accomplish said work accordingly.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved, June 2, 1939.

Exposition deemed sole consignee of merchandise.

Incurred Federal expenses, reimbursement.

Deposit of receipts as refunds.
46 Stat. 741.
19 U. S. C. § 1524; Supp. IV, § 1524.
No Federal obligation assumed.

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Coast Guard, facilities authorized.

Cutters, construction, etc.

Coast Guard base and air station, Alaska.

Seaplanes, purchase, etc.

Proviso.
Construction, Alaska, by Secretary of the Navy authorized.

Ante, p. 590.

Appropriation authorized.