

**The original documents are located in Box C9, folder “Presidential Handwriting, 12/21/1974” of the Presidential Handwriting File at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.**

### **Copyright Notice**

The copyright law of the United States (Title 17, United States Code) governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material. Gerald Ford donated to the United States of America his copyrights in all of his unpublished writings in National Archives collections. Works prepared by U.S. Government employees as part of their official duties are in the public domain. The copyrights to materials written by other individuals or organizations are presumed to remain with them. If you think any of the information displayed in the PDF is subject to a valid copyright claim, please contact the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

7 N 7

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

INFORMATION

December 21, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: PHILLIP AREEDA *P.A.*  
SUBJECT: CARGO PREFERENCE BILL  
H. R. 8193



You asked about the meaning of the waiver provision in the cargo preference bill, H.R. 8193. I conclude that the grounds for waiver are "broad" but that any waiver must be a "temporary" response to an "emergency." A succession of temporary waivers might possibly be sustained in the courts but would be contrary to the statute. More detail is stated in the attachment.

The attachment also discusses whether your November 18 statement about cargo preference commits you to sign H.R. 8193.

Attachment