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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN.

REMARKS FOR DROP-BY

AT GENERAL AVIATION MANUFACTURING ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1976

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I UNDERSTAND THAT TODAY G.A.M.A. HOSTED

AN APPRECIATION LUNCHEON FOR GOVERNMENT PEOPLE.

PERHAPS IT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE FOR OUR GOVERNMENT

TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION TO YOUR INDUSTRY.

OVER A QUARTER MILLION AMERICANS ARE EMPLOYED BY
YOUR INDUSTRY IN GOOD, PERMANENT PRODUCTIVE JOBS.

AND YOU HAVE MADE THIS NATION THE WORLD'S LEADER IN
GENERAL AVIATION.

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I RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANT ROLE THAT YOUR INDUSTRY
PLAYS IN OUR ECONOMY, AND PARTICULARLY YOUR CONTRIBUTION
IN THE AREA OF EXPORTS.

AND IN LINE WITH OUR BROADER REGULATORY REFORM

EFFORTS, WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF ABOLISHING OUTDATED

AND UNNECESSARY GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS WHICH HAVE CAUSED

YOUR INDUSTRY ADDITIONAL EXPENSE, AS WELL AS THE DELAY OR LOSS

OF EXPORT SALES.

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THEREFORE, I AM ANNOUNCING TODAY THE ELIMINATION

OF <u>ALL</u> EXPORT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT

UTILIZING STANDARD COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. THIS WILL

APPLY TO EXPORTS TO MOST NATIONS.

IN ADDITION, EXPORTERS OF AIRCRAFT WITH

SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT WILL NO LONGER HAVE TO OBTAIN AN

INDIVIDUAL LICENSE FOR EACH AIRCRAFT EXPORTED. THEY WILL NOW

BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A SINGLE DISTRIBUTION LICENSE, ALLOWING

PRODUCTS TO BE SHIPPED FREELY TO DISTRIBUTORS IN MOST NATIONS.

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WITH THESE CHANGES, SOME THREE OR FOUR THOUSAND

ANNUAL LICENSE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REPLACED BY A DOZEN OR SO.

THIS WILL REMOVE UNNECESSARY EXPORT BARRIERS, ALLOWING YOU

TO COMPETE MORE EFFECTIVELY IN FOREIGN MARKETS. IT WILL ALSO

EXPAND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT HOME DUE TO INCREASED SALES,

AND IT WILL REDUCE THE COST OF GOVERNMENT.

ALL OF THESE RESULTS ARE IN KEEPING WITH THE BROADER OBJECTIVES OF MY AGENDA FOR REGULATORY REFORM.

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AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH G.A.M.A., AND IN RESPONSE TO AN APPEAL FROM LEONARD WOODCOCK, ASKING THAT I ACTIVELY SEEK WAYS TO STRENGTHEN AND VITALIZE THE MANY SECTORS OF THE AEROSPACE AND AVIATION INDUSTRIES.

THIS CHANGE IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE PROGRESS WE ARE

MAKING IN REGULATORY REFORM. HAVING CHARTED A BOLD COURSE

IN THAT DIRECTION, WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW IT.

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I BELIEVE BILL GOROG WILL BRIEF YOU FURTHER

ON THIS SUBJECT.

THANK YOU.

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