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Fort Worth, Texas,
December 30, 1940.

Mr. C. A. Van Dusen, V. P.,
Consolidated Aircraft Corporation,
San Diego, California.

Have sent the following telegram to the President and also wired a copy of it to Senator Sheppard QUOTE Dear Mr. President: Please pardon me for further burdening you in these trying times PERIOD, Fort Worth has presented to the Government beyond a question of a doubt the best and most practical site for the Consolidated Aircraft's new interior plant of any location available PERIOD With all due respect to Tulsa, we have innumerable advantages: climatic conditions, size of site, length of runways, railroad transportation, plus the fact that we are on American Airlines' trans-continental route which makes it handy and convenient for the Consolidated officials to stop off enroute between San Diego and Washington PERIOD The Consolidated is now delivering about 250 flying boats to Great Britian and using Lake Worth as the first stop enroute East and it seems almost a crime against National Defense to permit the rejection of this site as against Tulsa PERIOD While it is true you can build land planes anywhere you must have water for the flying boats and Fort Worth offers this important extra advantage without extra cost to the Government which would make it possible in the event the occasion should arise for the Consolidated to immediately switch over to flying boats PERIOD Another important point is the fact that they would expedite the matter about thirty days by using Fort Worth's site as against Tulsa due to the fact that our site is so ideal they can proceed with actual construction and start operations sooner PERIOD We have no differences with Tulsa. They are a swell crowd of folks. Why not allocate to them the possible additional

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plant that is supposed to be built or something else equally important to their state and permit the Consolidated to come to Fort Worth? The Consolidated has shown in its brief to General Brett that neither Tulsa nor Oklahoma City site is satisfactory and it strongly urged Fort Worth's location PERIOD The point has been brought up that it would be detrimental to have another plant this close to the North American plant in Dallas. The Consolidated on the contrary state that they always work harmoniously with the North American and they consider it would be an advantage instead of a disadvantage to have the two plants twenty-five or thirty miles apart PERIOD Fort Worth as yet has received no benefits from the new defense program. In addition they have gone down the line and supported the Administration as well as the defense program. May we have your friendly cooperation? With kindest regards, Sincerely.

UNQUOTE Hope you are successful in the other matter of securing the North American's cooperation. Best wishes.

Amos Carter

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