Public Law 961

AN ACT

To authorize officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey to act as notaries in places outside the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in places where the Coast and Geodetic Survey is serving which are not within the jurisdiction of any one of the several States, commanding officers of Coast and Geodetic Survey vessels, and such other officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey as the Secretary of Commerce may designate, may exercise the general powers of the notary public in the administration of oaths for the execution, acknowledgment, and attestation of instruments and papers, and the performance of all other notarial acts. The powers hereby conferred shall be limited to acts performed in behalf of the personnel of the Coast and Geodetic Survey or in connection with the proper execution of the functions of that agency.

SEC. 2. No fee of any kind shall be paid to any officer for the performance of any notarial act herein authorized. The signature without seal together with indication of grade of any officer performing any notarial act shall be prima facie evidence of his authority.

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AN ACT

To amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended, so as to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for purposes of title I of the Act, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 103 (b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended (Public Law 480, Eighty-third Congress), is amended by striking out "$1,500,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "$3,000,000,000".

SEC. 2. Section 104 of the Act is amended by inserting after subsection (i) the following new subsection:

"(j) For providing assistance to activities and projects authorized by section 203 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1448), but no foreign currencies which are available under the terms of any agreement for appropriation for the general use of the United States shall be used for the purposes of this subsection (j) without appropriation therefore."

SEC. 3. Sales of fresh fruit and the products thereof under title I of the Act shall be exempt from the requirements of the cargo preference laws (Public Resolution 17, Seventy-third Congress (15 U. S. C. 616a) and section 901 (b) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (46 U. S. C. 1941 (b))).

SEC. 4. Section 201 of the Act is amended by inserting after the word "urgent" wherever it occurs in said section the words "or extraordinary".

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