DONE at the City of Washington this tenth day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-second.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
Secretary of State.

EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADEQUATE SHIPPING SERVICE FOR, AND DEFERRING EXTENSION OF THE COASTWISE LAWS TO, CANTON ISLAND

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS section 21 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (41 Stat. 997; 46 U.S.C. 877), provides:

"That from and after February 1, 1922, the coastwise laws of the United States shall extend to the island Territories and possessions of the United States not now covered thereby, and the board [United States Shipping Board] is directed prior to the expiration of such year to have established adequate steamship service at reasonable rates to accommodate the commerce and the passenger travel of said islands and to maintain and operate such service until it can be taken over and operated and maintained upon satisfactory terms by private capital and enterprise: Provided, That if adequate shipping service is not established by February 1, 1922, the President shall extend the period herein allowed for the establishment of such service in the case of any island Territory or possession for such time as may be necessary for the establishment of adequate shipping facilities therefor * * *

and

WHEREAS the authority of the United States Shipping Board was vested in the Department of Commerce pursuant to section 12 of Executive Order No. 6166 of June 10, 1933; and

WHEREAS section 204 of the act of June 29, 1936, 49 Stat. 1987, transferred such authority to the United States Maritime Commission; and

WHEREAS this authority was transferred to the Secretary of Commerce by section 204 of Reorganization Plan No. 21 of 1950; and

WHEREAS an adequate shipping service to accommodate the commerce and the passenger travel of Canton Island has not been established as provided in the aforesaid section 21 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920; and

WHEREAS the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to Canton Island, as provided in the aforesaid section, is dependent upon the establishment of such adequate shipping service; and

WHEREAS by various proclamations the period for the establishment of an adequate shipping service for Canton Island was extended to January 1, 1958, and the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to the Island was deferred to that date:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the aforesaid section 21 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, do hereby declare and proclaim that the period for the establishment of an adequate shipping service for Canton Island is extended until further notice by proclamation of the President, and that the extension of the coastwise laws of the United States to Canton Island

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is deferred until it is declared by proclamation of the President that such adequate shipping service has been established.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-second.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:
CHRISTIAN A. HERTER,
Acting Secretary of State.

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Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Civil Service Act

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the Federal civil-service system was established by the Civil Service Act of January 16, 1883, and will be seventy-five years old on January 16, 1958; and

WHEREAS the enactment of that act and the establishment thereunder of a merit system of employment within the Federal Government have given impetus to the establishment of similar systems at State, county, and municipal levels of government; and

WHEREAS a strong civil service, based on the merit principle, is now recognized as an essential factor in stable, responsible government in the United States, as well as in many other countries; and

WHEREAS the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Civil Service Act is an appropriate time to salute the Civil Service of the United States and to increase public knowledge and understanding of its importance in our system of self-government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of the United States to participate in the observance of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Civil Service Act on January 16, 1958, and throughout the ensuing year.

I also call upon the heads of Federal departments and agencies, governors, mayors, and other public officials, as well as leaders of industry and labor and members of all public-spirited groups, to study our Federal, State, and local civil-service systems, with a view to their continuous improvement in every way possible, and to arrange appropriate ceremonies in honor of the public service of our able and devoted civil servants throughout the country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-second.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:
JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
Secretary of State.