

The attack upon USOA spanned many months and involved lawyers and officials of competing airlines, scheduled and non-scheduled, who benefited directly from the fall of USOA.

The CIA itself profited directly with huge earnings by its proprietaries in the diversion of business from the small non-scheduled airlines. The co-conspirators consisting of corrupt lawyers, bureaucrats, and greedy airline officials likewise benefited from windfall negotiated contracts with Department of Defense, U. S. Air Force, U. S. Navy, MATS and other agencies and corporations. Deferred bribery became common when former key bureaucrats and lawyers from those agencies took lucrative employment with these beneficiaries, the major airlines.

USOA was injured by these unlawful actions when it was deprived of MATS contracts, and CAM contracts, and brazenly robbed of the Navy Quicktrans contract in 1961 when by gross misbehavior of USAF officials, CIA agents, DOD, and MATS employees and officials, in conspiracy with the CAB, MATS awarded the contract to a carrier employing former known CIA agents in its top management at a rate over 20% higher than USOA's bid. To add insult to injury these conspirators incredibly used USOA's aircraft to qualify this particular carrier, which had been dormant for several years previous. **"SLICK AIRLINES"**

Therefore based upon sworn evidence from U. S. Senate hearings, CAB proceedings, court exhibits and Freedom of Information sources, USOA and its affiliates demand damages for the total destruction of their businesses by this written notice of injury in accordance with Title 28 U.S.C. 2675 of the Federal Tort Claims Act in the amount of \$1,250,000,000.00.

Very truly yours,

Ralph Cox Jr., President of and
for United States Overseas Air-
lines Inc.

Ralph Cox Jr., President of and
for Air Power Overhaul Inc.

Ralph Cox Jr., President of and
for Ocean Air Tradeways Inc.



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March 26, 1962

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YOUR FILE

Dr. Ralph Cox
President
U. S. Overseas Airways, Inc.
Cape May County Airport
P. O. Box 234
Wildwood, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the courtesy and material assistance rendered by members of your organization to Customs Agent Ziesnitz of this office.

The more than willing cooperation displayed on the part of Miss Sherri Adams, Messrs. Robert Kinkaid, Robert D. Reeder, and Robert J. Condy, Oakland International Airport, proved extremely helpful in an investigation which our office was conducting.

During the investigation at the Oakland International Airport on March 17, 1962, it became immediately necessary that one of our agents keep under surveillance an individual who was a passenger aboard one of your aircraft flying to Burbank, California. The members of your staff informed about the situation immediately arranged to place the agent on the aircraft.

I wish to stress the point that without the help of your staff, especially that of Miss Adams, our investigation would have proved extremely difficult, if not impossible. Those of your staff who have been concerned in this matter are certainly to be commended for the role they played.

Sincerely yours,

F. J. LONG
Customs Agent in Charge

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