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BULLETIN TO ALL MEMBERS:

RE: BLACK SEA AND BALTIC INSURANCE COMPANY

The attached letter has been directed to a California
Surplus Line Broker by the Insurance Department.


MANAGER

State of California
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
1182 Market Street
SAN FRANCISCO

February 8, 1961

RE: BLACK SEA AND BALTIC INSURANCE COMPANY

Gentlemen:

In application for renewal of your Surplus Line License for the period commencing July 1, 1960 you listed as one of the insurers with which you place surplus line business the above insurer. We are advised that such insurer is owned, operated and controlled by the USSR. In view of the direct prohibition in Section 699.5 of the California Insurance Code against the admission of any insurer owned, operated or controlled directly or indirectly by any other nation or governmental subdivision or agency thereof, we believe that the public policy of this State as declared by the Legislature is that governmental owned and operated insurance enterprises should not be aided in the transaction of business by the California insurance business. We believe, therefore, that you should take appropriate steps to prevent risks placed by you in nonadmitted insurers from being placed in whole or in part in Black Sea and Baltic Insurance Company.

Very truly yours,

F. BRITTON McCONNELL
Insurance Commissioner

by

J. N. ANDREWS, Assistant Chief
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c.c. The Surplus Line Association of California
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