

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20579

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

LORETO AURORA SOTO

Under the International Claims Settlement  
Act of 1949, as amended

Claim No. CU-3874

Order No. CU-63

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This claim against the Government of Cuba, under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, was opened by the Commission, on behalf of LORETO AURORA SOTO, for an unstated amount, based upon certain losses which may have been sustained as a result of actions by the Government of Cuba since January 1, 1959.

Under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 [78 Stat. 1110 (1964), 22 U.S.C. §§1643-1643k (1964), as amended, 79 Stat. 988 (1965)], the Commission is given jurisdiction over claims of nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba. Section 503(a) of the Act provides that the Commission shall receive and determine in accordance with applicable substantive law, including international law, the amount and validity of claims by nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba arising since January 1, 1959 for

losses resulting from the nationalization, expropriation, intervention or other taking of, or special measures directed against, property including any rights or interests therein owned wholly or partially, directly or indirectly at the time by nationals of the United States.

Section 502(3) of the Act provides:

The term 'property' means any property, right, or interest including any leasehold interest, and debts owed by the Government of Cuba or by enterprises which have been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government of Cuba and debts which are a charge on property which has been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government of Cuba.

Under date of April 12, 1968, LORETO AURORA SOTO addressed the Commission, describing properties left in Cuba. By letter of April 23, 1968, the Commission provided claim forms to said LORETO AURORA SOTO in order that the claim might be perfected, and made suggestions as to evidence appropriate for submission; providing claimant with a form for requesting the Commission's assistance; and also suggesting affidavits concerning personal property.

No response was received and on May 28, 1968, the Commission again contacted LORETO AURORA SOTO informing her that if the suggested evidence were not received in 45 days it might become necessary to determine the claim on the basis of the record. LORETO AURORA SOTO then informed the Commission she has no evidence for the claim. She did not, however, comply with any of the Commission's suggestions.

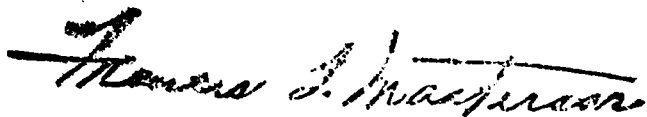
Accordingly, since claimant has not proven ownership of rights and interests in property which was nationalized, expropriated or otherwise taken by the Government of Cuba, it is

ORDERED that this claim be and it is hereby dismissed.

Dated at Washington, D. C.  
and entered as the Order  
of the Commission

JUN 19 1968

By Order of the Commission



Francis T. Masterson  
Clerk