such information unless the head of such department or agency determines that the withholding thereof is contrary to the national interest.

EXEMPTION FROM ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT

SEC. 7. The functions exercised under this Act shall be excluded from the operation of the Administrative Procedure Act (60 Stat. 237), except as to the requirements of section 3 thereof.

QUARTERLY REPORT

SEC. 8. The head of any department or agency, or official exercising any functions under this Act shall make a quarterly report, within forty-five days after each quarter, to the President and to the Congress of his operations hereunder.

DEFINITION

SEC. 9. The term "person" as used herein shall include the singular and the plural and any individual, partnership, corporation, or other form of association, including any government or agency thereof.

EFFECT ON OTHER ACTS

SEC. 10. The Act of February 15, 1936 (49 Stat. 1140), relating to the licensing of exports of tin-plate scrap, is hereby superseded; but nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to modify, repeal, supersede, or otherwise affect the provisions of any other laws authorizing control over exports of any commodity.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SEC. 11. This Act shall take effect February 28, 1949, upon the expiration of section 6 of the Act of July 2, 1940 (54 Stat. 714), as amended. All outstanding delegations, rules, regulations, orders, licenses, or other forms of administrative action under said section 6 of the Act of July 2, 1940, shall, until amended or revoked, remain in full force and effect, the same as if promulgated under this Act.

TERMINATION DATE

SEC. 12. The authority granted herein shall terminate on June 30, 1951, or upon any prior date which the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate.

Approved February 26, 1949.

[CHAPTER 12]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution to continue until March 1, 1949, the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, and for other purposes", approved February 27, 1948 (Public Law 423, Eightieth Congress), is amended by striking out the date "March 1, 1949" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof the date "June 30, 1949". That joint resolution is further amended by inserting at the end of subparagraph (b) thereof the words "Provided, however, That vessels may be chartered to the Republic of the Philippines.

February 28, 1949
[Public Law 12]

Maritime Commission.

62 Stat. 68.
[Public Law 12]

Vessels chartered to Republic of the Philippines.
March 2, 1949
[H. J. Res. 84]
[Public Law 13]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, as a means of focusing the attention of the American people on a reexamination of their heritage of freedom, fostering the preservation of their liberties, awakening their loyalty to the American tradition, and contributing to citizenship training, particularly of Americans of school age, the Archivist of the United States is hereby authorized and directed to acquire the Freedom Train, and to operate the said train during the period ending July 5, 1951.

SEC. 2. In carrying out the purposes of this joint resolution the Archivist is hereby authorized—

(a) to enter into and carry out such agreements with such person or persons, natural or artificial, as may be necessary for the acquisition of the Freedom Train and its equipment, for its operation during the period ending July 5, 1951, and for the disposition of such train and equipment within sixty days after such date; and to make such expenditures, without regard to other provisions of law, as may be required to carry out such agreements;

(b) to appoint and fix the compensation of such personnel as he deems advisable without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; to procure services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 810), but at rates not to exceed $40 per diem for individuals; to accept services and facilities without compensation; and, with the consent of the head of any Government department or agency, to utilize or employ the services of personnel or facilities of any such department or agency, with or without reimbursement therefor;

(c) to obtain printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919, as amended (40 Stat. 1270);

(d) to purchase or contract for supplies or services (including printing and binding) without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;

(e) to obtain and pay for comprehensive insurance coverage, as he may deem necessary, of other than Government property used in connection with the Freedom Train;

(f) to acquire by gift, bequest, loan, or otherwise, personal property for the benefit of, or in connection with, the operation of the Freedom Train;

(g) to cooperate with the governments of the several States and their political subdivisions in promoting the exhibition of the Freedom Train;

(h) to pay per diem to personnel required to travel in connection with the operation or inspection of the train as follows: To civilian personnel at the maximum rate applicable under existing laws or regulations; to officer personnel of the armed services in