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Mr. Jefferson Caffery  
Ambassador of the United States of America  
Rio de Janeiro.

Excellency:

The USA and Allied Nations are thirsty for rubber. Especially since the Japanese hold almost all the oriental plantation bases to create their monopoly in rubber.

The worlds production in 1933 was 1,020,000 tons. The USA consumption was about the half. - War will have lifted it to million tons yearly. Some 100,000 tons, if that, can be produced in the syntetic rubber plants, that Mr. Jesse Jones is organizing. - Some 100,000 tons more can be obtained from wild rubber countries including Brazil and its plantations.

To produce 1,000,000 tons of syntetic rubber, USA would need at least 300 plants, each one with the capacity of 10 tons daily. - One such plant costs about 2 million dollars and takes at the top speed 6 months to get going. - Consumes outside man-power and money a good lot of material, that has to be set apart from other, more needed investments. - In my judgement of an expert, who has produced syntetic rubber before the war, it would take 7-10 years in the way of synthese, to meet the requirements of crude rubber. - Be it the alcohol type or the prene or acethylen or carbide type of production, will come to more or less the same. -

To prove you, that I know what I am speaking about, please read the enclosed clipping of an american magazin out these days. - The only mistake there, is the name of the person. - In 1937, it was Jan A. Bata, who peddled the offices of the Agriculture and others in Washington to be jointly with Mr. Sol Bloom laughed at. - Thomas Bata - unfortunetaly - died - in 1932 in an airplane crash. -

May be, that I will be laughed at again, while making the following suggestion. - Not by you, but some very smart expert, who allways knows ,, what cannot be done !".

Brasil can produce all the rubber, that is needed, if properly organize the work. - I know how to organize it, and know how to achieve results, that will satisfy the needs of crude rubber for the USA and the Allied Nations - in 1-5 years. - The procedure and type of production I have worked out in the two years since 1940, over here.

I am aproaching your Excellency in the simple manner of a man work, offering this services to the cause of the Allies, - who for reasons unknown to me - have distrusted me and my co-workers and handicaped our work by the black list. -

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The first time I have approached your Excellency upon the recommendation of the President Dr. Getulio Vargas, who ordered me to talk to you about the delisting of mine and the Bata Companies put upon the American Blacklist as the consequence of British blacklisting a year before.

Not having means for an enormous collateral, which has brought about the British blacklisting, I am offering now to produce, organize here the production of this essential raw-material by my methods, and elaborated by me personally.--

I do expect to be able to count upon the close collaboration of both, the American and Brazil Governments.

All, that I would ask as compensation, would be the delisting of my person and of the Bata Companies in the world before the end of 1942.--

Outside of that, I would ask the defreezing in USA and British Empire of the funds of our companies and those of our associates and its free transfers for Brazil and other South American countries to be invested here for the production of these raw materials.--

It involves around 2 million dollars or more, which I am ready to invest into this production - under the control of a government trustee - if required.--

Time is pressing, Excellency.

From the news published, I know that USA is organizing the fleet of airplanes to transport crude rubber, whose scarcity is menacing.

From the clipping enclosed, you can realize, that I know, what I am talking about.-- Abundance in 1-5 years for the Americas in rubber.--

May I expect your telegram indicating, that my letter has been taken as seriously, as it is sent to you?

May I beg your Excellency to regard it as confidential, especially as not to be used for publication?

Expecting your kind answer, I am

respectfully yours

Dr. Jan A. Bata