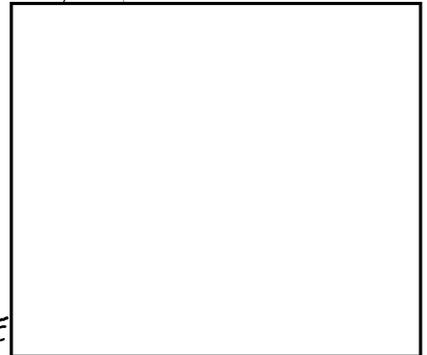


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Mr. Alec C. Stein,
Deputy Savings and Loan Commissioner
State of California,
608 South Hill Street
Los Angeles 14, California.



Dear Mr. Stein:

Thank you very much for your letter of 29 June concerning
Mr. Thomas W. Braden.

I have known Mr. Braden both socially and professionally
for a number of years and have found him to be an outstanding
person. He has enjoyed an excellent reputation in the publishing
field and is the author of a number of publications in addition
to being the editor and publisher of The Blade Tribune at Ocean-
side. He is very loyal and completely trustworthy and it gives
me a great deal of pleasure to write to you about him.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dallas
Director

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DIVISION OF SAVINGS AND LOAN

Los Angeles
June 29, 1960

Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Application has been filed with this Division for approval of the organization of a savings and loan association in the

City of Oceanside.

One of the proposed incorporators who has given your name as a reference is

Mr. Thomas W. Braden.

We would be pleased to have a statement from you as to the character and experience of this person. This information will be held in strict confidence.

Yours very truly

FRANK J. MACKIN
Savings and Loan Commissioner

Alec C. Stein
Deputy Savings and Loan Commissioner

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