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Subject: Amelia Earhart, round-the-world flight of.

since this phase of flying is not ordinarily practised by, or included in the training of, civilian or commercial aviators it is reasonable to assume that considerable special training will be required to assure the success of the undertaking. It is considered that this training should not be at the expense of the navy either in cost of time of pilots and airplanes, but that it should be obtained commercially. When in all respects ready as a result of training with commercial planes and pilots, the crew of the plane to be refueled should finally rehearse with the navy crew and plane.

3. Providing the foregoing condition is met, the principal item of cost to the navy will be that of the expedition involving use of one tender and two airplanes in passage to and from Midway and in operations at that point.

4. Funds for gasoline and oil and allowances of fuel oil require greatest economy in operations in order to carry out fleet employment schedules. Special operations, such as that proposed herewith, must be financed by special allotments. Accordingly, if approval of navy participation is to be given, the following additional funds and allowances are requested:

- (a) Aviation Navy - \$1,000 (to cover cost of gasoline and oil consumed by navy aircraft).
- (b) 900 barrels of fuel oil and additional 2300 steaming miles for AVP.

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