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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

RENOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE INDUSTRY COMMITTEE NO. 4 FOR PURPOSE OF RECEIVING EVIDENCE TO BE CONSIDERED IN RECOMMENDING MINIMUM WAGE RATES FOR THE HAT INDUSTRY

In conformity with the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 52 Stat. 1060, and Section 511.11 of Part 511 of the Rules and Regulations issued pursuant thereto, notice is hereby given to all interested persons that a public hearing will be held beginning at 11 A. M., May 15, 1939, in the Hotel Washington, 15th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., for the purpose of receiving evidence to be considered by Industry Committee No. 4 in determining the highest minimum wage rates for the hat industry which, with due regard to economic and competitive conditions, will not substantially curtail employment.

The term "hat industry" originally defined in Administrative Order No. 16, issued March 7, 1939, has been re-defined in Administrative Order No. 22, issued May 6, 1939, as follows:

- (a) The manufacture from any material of headwear for men or boys, except caps and cloth hats.
- (b) The manufacture of felt hat bodies from fur or wool for men's, boys', women's or children's hats.
  - (c) The manufacture or processing of hatters! furs.

Industry Committee No. 4 was created by Administrative Order No. 16, referred to above. It is charged, in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, with the duty of investigating conditions in the hat industry and recommending to the Administrator minimum wage rates for all employees thereof who within the meaning of said Act are "engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce", excepting employees exempted by the provisions of Section 13(a) and employees coming under the provisions of Section 14.

Any interested person may appear on his own behalf or on behalf of any other person. Persons desiring to appear are requested to file with Burton E. Oppenheim, Chief of the Industry Cormittee Section, Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., prior to May 12, 1939, a Notice of Intention to Appear containing the following information:

- (1) The name and address of the person appearing.
- (2) If he is appearing in a representative capacity, the name and address of the person or persons whom he is representing.

(3) The approximate length of time which his presentation will consume.

Signed at Middletown, Connecticut, this 8th Day of May, 1939.

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C. O. Fisher, Chairman
Industry Committee No. 4
for the Hat Industry.