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PRESIDENT

WILLIAM E. POTTER

January 24, 1962

Mr. Victor de Grazia
Executive Director
Illinois Board of Economic Development
Capitol Building
Springfield, Illinois

Dear Vic:

It was indeed a pleasure to meet you after all of these months of correspondence and indirect communication. We are hopeful that you were able to get a complete picture of the plans for the Fair during your visit. We will tentatively reserve lot 35C-1 (54,000 sq. ft.) for Illinois and hope that either the governor or you will send us a letter indicating your desire to exhibit in this area (a copy of a letter from Georgia reserving space is enclosed for your information.)

We would also appreciate it if you would let us know as soon as possible whether the February 9th meeting is still on or if it is to be changed to another date.

Please feel free to call on us at any time to help in developing plans for your exhibit. We will be forwarding plot plans of lot 35C-1 for your information in a few days.

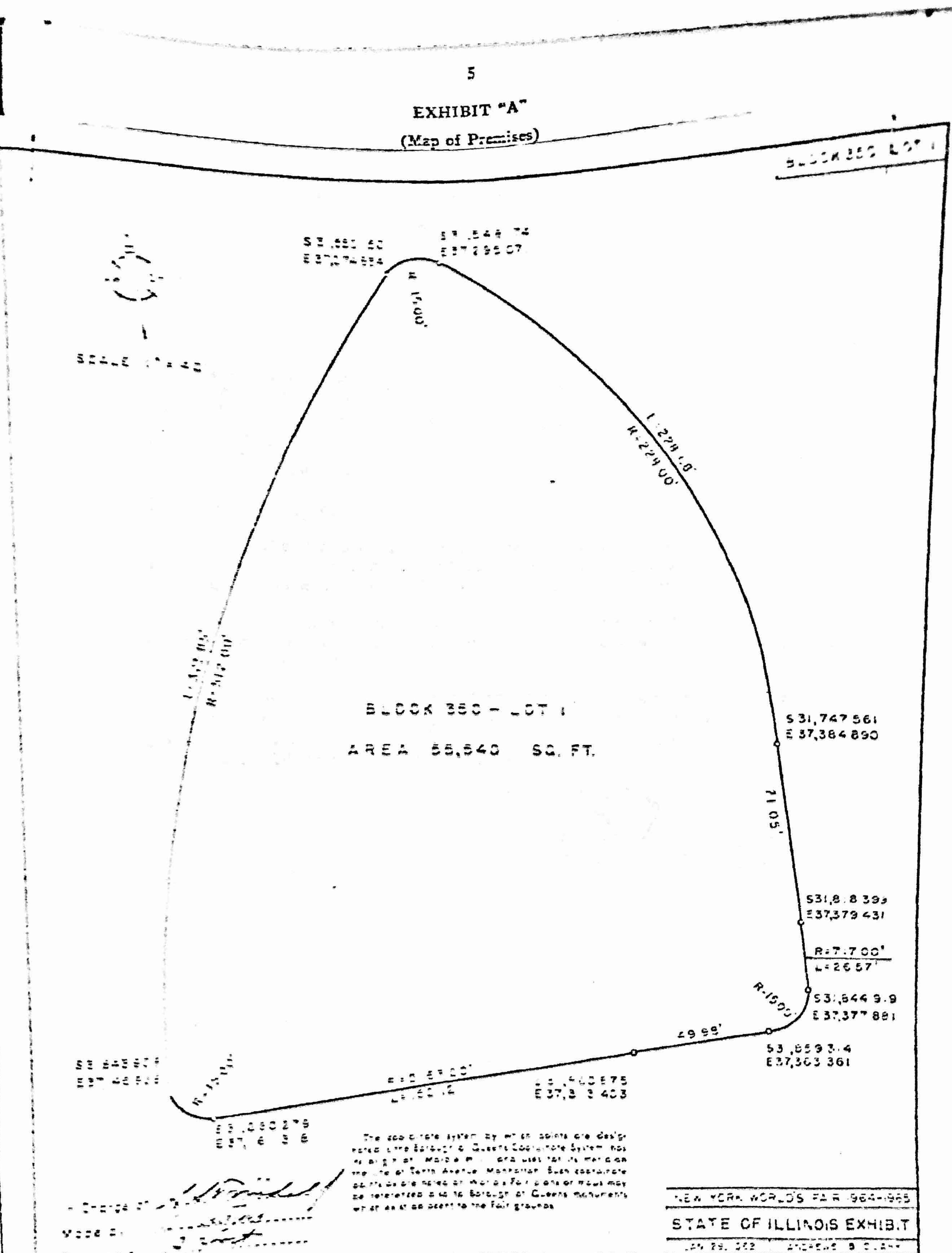
Cordially,

W.E. Potter

Executive Vice President

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March 9, 1962

General W. E. Potter
Executive Vice President
New York World's Fair 1964-65 Corporation
Flushing Meadow Park
Post Office Box 1964
Flushing 52, New York

Dear General Potter:

The State of Illinois is very interested in participating in the New York World's Fair of 1964. From what I have heard, it promises to be a most exciting and educational exposition.

Victor de Grazia has told me that you would like us officially to reserve Block 35-C-Lot 1 to be used as the State of Illinois display area without charge.

As the Legislature did not appropriate any money for this purpose, I cannot, of course, commit the State's funds for this project. I would hope, however, that by a combination of public and private funds Illinois would be able to participate in the Fair.

Sincerely,

Governor



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March 12, 1962

WILLIAM E. POTTER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Honorable Otto Kerner Governor, State of Illinois Executive Chambers State Capitol Springfield, Illinois

Dear Governor Kerner:

I was very happy to receive your letter of March 9. I know that Illinois can do an outstanding job on the lot you have selected to show the meaning of Illinois to the 70 million people who will visit

I have reserved and put Illinois' name on Block 35-C-Lot 1 and will hold it pending the development of the Illinois plans. It is an outstanding lot and properly situated to be in the path of the maximum number of

I look forward to working with your state staff as the exhibit develops.

Cordially

Executive Vice President