

Houston, Texas. July 27th. 1963

Mr. Aart de Jong
1008 Susanne Drive
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Dear Mr. de Jong

I thank you very much for your letter of June 30th., with enclosures and apologize for the delay in giving you a reply.

The letter is self-explanatory and the information, which you have supplied will be used very confidentially.

Except for Mr. Velzeboer, up til now only two of our members viz. P. Boer and J. Talen proved to be interested and I referred them to you, after having given them a brief explanation about the plans concerned.

This way, confusion and interference from our part will be avoided, as well as possible objections from Airlines.

Any other applicants will be referred the same way, however I will be obliged to be kept informed about further developments.

Your cooperation, that our members can participate is very much appreciated and you may count on our cooperation for any other occasion which may arise in the future.

Meanwhile with my best regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Dick Zandwyk
President of
The Holland Club Inc.
Houston. Texas.

New Orleans , Louisiana
June 30, 1963

Mr. D. Zandwijk
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Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

At the request of Mr. Joan DeBruyn's please receive enclosed copy of two letters dated June 19 and June 20, 1963 by Mr. Duval Slot-houwer, president of The Holland Club, Inc. at New Orleans. We hope these letters are self explanatory.

You may wish some more background for dissemination among your members on a confidential basis and at your discretion:

- a: the initial information, leading to bulletin # 1 of April, 1963 was furnished officers of this club by the then representative of K.L.M. This information proved erroneous. In the first place this man suggested to convert the regular line flight of the K.L.M. from Houston to Amsterdam v.v. into a charter flight (a practice, not uncommon with K.L.M. in the past); we are advised that K.L.M. now frown upon this possibility and that the price quoted at \$ 230. is without foundation. No records are available in the company's files to substantiate this quotation and it therefore has been withdrawn. So has the flight possibility from Houston. Understand-ably, the K.L.M. representative at Houston, Mr. Cornelissen ap-peared quite perturbed about this embarrassing development, and I can assure you that I, who inherited this problem, am the least pleased of all concerned.
- b: the recent and unforeseen sale by K.L.M. of their fleet of DC-7C airplanes changed the complexity of the charter-flight New York-Amsterdam v.v. somewhat: we now need 124 passengers in stead of the 79 to occupy the smaller plane. This does not seem to be a problem for we already have more reservations.
For the time being we have this to work with:
New York - Amsterdam v.v. \$ 240.00 p.p. with 124 participation.
New Orleans- New York \$ 50.00 one-way night tourist, regular fare.
This would add up to \$ 360.00 plus a lot of inconvenience by chang-ing planes etc. in New York. Therefore, the trustees are invest-igating a better solution by a direct flight New Orleans- Amster-dam and some quotations are in our possession. None exceed \$ 360.00, A lot will depend on the total participation and the type of air-craft used. (Boeing 707 will accommodate 146 passengers).
- c: the date of the flight must be set between June 1-10 eastbound and between July 1-10 westbound in order to enjoy the lowest possible rates. This is another change from the initial bulletin. It goes for all airlines.

Although the initial discussions were held with K.L.M. the ensuing changes and the attitude of K.L.M. have not endeared them to us. The present New Orleans representative appears to have a less ir-responsible attitude and it is conceivable that our position will be subject to change. We have tentative offers from other international carriers which may also land a charter flight at Schiphol.

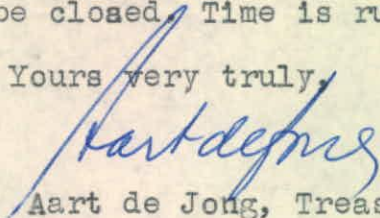
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Mr. D. Zandwijk

Of the 80 reservations now in our possession, only 8 are from Houston and 1 from Beaumont, Texas. All others are from Louisiana and most of them from New Orleans. At least ten persons are awaiting information, similar to the contents of this letter and it thus appears that a charter flight New Orleans- Amsterdam can become a reality, even at the corrected fare, which is still at least \$ 200.00 below the cheapest regular fare, excluding the inconvenience.

All applicants for flight reservation must be members of this Club; our Mr. Van Wijnen has written Mr. Velzeboer of your Club explaining this provision and I suggest that you give him a ring and receive pertinent information.

I hope to have answered the questions, Mr. DeBruyn posed, to your satisfaction. We are looking for an influx of Houstonians before the books will have to be closed. Time is running out fast.

Yours very truly,



Aart de Jong, Treasurer

cc. J.C. van Wijnen

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