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Ir. F. Veldhuijsen  
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Post Office Box 29720  
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Dear Mr. Veldhuijsen,

Foreign Patent Applications Corresponding to  
the Netherlands Patent Application No.8200457  
Title: Sailing Yacht

Thank you for your letter of 22 June 1982.

I enclose the Patent Application documents for Australia, Canada, France, Sweden and Italy which have now been signed by Mr. Lexcen.

Please note:-

1. As you are aware the Applicant for the Patent is Norport Pty. Ltd., a company incorporated in Australia. Norport is the company which acts as the trustee for a Discretionary Trust established by Mr. Lexcen for the benefit of his family. The Directors of Norport Pty. Ltd. are Mr. Lexcen and his wife, Yvonne Denise Lexcen and the registered office of Norport is at 12 David Place, Seaforth, New South Wales, Australia.
2. Some of the forms have been signed by Mr. Lexcen (whose full name is "Benjamin Lexcen") both as a Director of the Applicant company, Norport Pty. Ltd. and in his capacity as the inventor. Mr. Lexcen's full residential address is also 12 David Place, Seaforth, New South Wales. He lists his occupation as "yacht designer" and he is an Australian National.
3. At present there is no formal written employment agreement or any other contractual link between Mr. Lexcen and Norport Pty. Ltd.
4. You will note that most of the documents have been witnessed, even where legalisation may not have been strictly necessary by Henry Souttar Lodge, Notary Public of Perth, Western Australia. Mr. Lodge is a partner of this firm.

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5. All the forms were executed at Perth, Western Australia on Monday 5 July.
6. We understand that the Australian "Declaration for a Patent Application" document has now been superseded by a specific form for convention applications - Form 8 "Declaration in Support of a Convention Application for a Patent". In any event Mr. Lexcen has executed the form sent by you and two copies of Form 8.
7. You will note that Mr. Lexcen's signature is rather indistinct; he assures us that that is his normal signature.
8. We have not completed the forms and would request that you do so in the manner required. Should you require any further information or clarification please telex the writer, Mr. M. Boud at our Perth Office.
9. We note that no forms are required for Britain.

We see no reason why you should not proceed to request examination in France and Australia. We confirm having telegraphed 12,000 Dutch Guilders to your account (No. 25759923 at Bank Mees & Hope NV, The Hague) on 9 June 1982. We should be obliged if you would forward an official English translation of the Patent Application as soon as it is available. We would suggest that this be sent, under appropriate secure cover, via our London Office marked to the personal attention of Mr. Dudley Stow.

Finally, you may be interested to learn that our client's yacht was launched on 7 June and is currently undergoing intensive trials. Initial indications are that it is performing up to the expectations held for it. Dr. Peter van Oossanen has recently returned to N.S.M.B. Wageningen after participating in the preliminary testing programme and should you have any further queries about the Patent Application, he will be happy to assist.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



Michael Boud

c.c. Mr. Dudley Stow.  
London Office

Dr. Peter van Oossanen  
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