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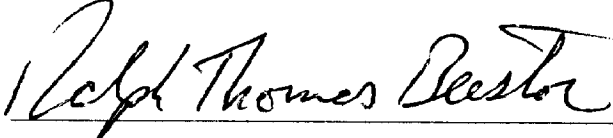
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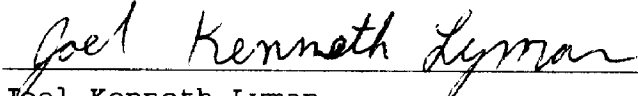
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(1) at Tucson, AZ  
on 4/17, 2001,

  
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Ralph Thomas Beeston

(2) at Tucson, AZ  
on 4/17, 2001,

  
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