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# U.S. Takes Hughes

LOS ANGELES—Howard R. Hughes does not have a spy ship any more. The federal government took it back and is trying hard to convince a local tax collector that he never had it to begin with.

Coast Guard records released Monday cancelled the registration of the Hughes Glomar Explorer to the Summa Corp., Hughes' main holding company.

The action is part of an effort to fight off an attempt by the Los Angeles County tax assessor to collect \$7.5 million in property taxes on the ship from Hughes—which would have to be paid by the federal government.

In Washington, the Securities and Exchange Commission said Global Marine, Inc., of Los Angeles, has agreed to notify stockholders that the ship, which raised part of a sunken Soviet submarine for the CIA, was owned by the U.S. government.

The SEC had accused Global Marine of misleading its stockholders by reporting that the ship was owned by Summa Corp.

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