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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394, U. S. Army

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R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref/440/75/CA 28 June 1944

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Colonel
Deputy Executive
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JSR/JR

Spoke Col Bruce on 3/7/44
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28 June para 2. Re presence
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ROME AREA COMMAND
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A.P.O. No. 394, U. S. ARMY

HEADQUARTERS
24 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

17 June 1944

TO : Brigadier M. S. Lush.

Subject: Rome visit by Dr. Schwartz, Joint Distribution Committee.

1) There is a considerable number of Jewish refugees in Rome. Many are endeavouring to regain possession of their homes from which they were dispossessed by the Germans.

2) The Secretary General of Rome has appointed a committee of civilians to aid in expediting the return of refugees to their homes.

3) The presence of Dr. Schwartz would be welcome. The C.A.C.'s office is on the 4th floor (room 413), Palazzo delle Assicurazioni Generali, Piazza Venezia 11.

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,

ROME

July 1, 1944

FROM: Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith, KB, IGCR

TO: Lt. Col. John T. Sellers
HQ, Region II, A.C.C.

Subject: Status of the I.G.C.R. Personnel

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b) Mr. Dennis Mann (Br.)
c) Mr. Sam Marriage (Br.)
d) Mr. Max Perlman (USA)

and based on Rome and Bari:

e) Mr. Howard Wriggins (USA)

You have kindly assigned office accomodation to them; but I wish in a general manner to recommend them to your especial care.

3) I should be most grateful if all other facilities and help can be extended to them in this work, whether for transport, communications or any other requirements that may occur. (Note: a 15 cwt truck is being furnished them by A.C.C.)

4) They - and I - will be very happy to assist and cooperate in all matters concerning non-Italian refugees falling within the scope of the I.G.C.R., which has an over-all mandate in surveying and reporting on foreign refugee problems, and in particular a residual responsibility in welfare matters; while specifically the I.G.C.R. will take over as its final problem the fate of all Stateless Refugees.

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5) In conclusion, I wish to thank you for the welcome you gave me when I called on you today.

I thought it right to leave you in writing the facts regarding our Southern Italy office at Bari.

Clifford Heathcote-Smith
Resident Representative,
Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees

cc. Executive Commissioner, ACC
Colonel Oldfield, I and DPSC, Lecce
IGCRM

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To: RCMG — DAPOR

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Refugees.

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The Executive Commissioner will wish to see copy telegram on refugees to Foreign Office London. sent by Sir Heathcote Smith.

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also Detention

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L.T. MONTANT
1st LT AGD
Adjutant.

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Executive Commission,
HQ., A.C.C./A.M.G.

[N° 148/1/44]

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Copy of telegram to Foreign Office, London from High Commissioner, Naples of 29th June 1944. (repeated to Political Resident Minister, Algiers)

Following for Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees from Heathcote-Smith Resident Representative.
Begins:
Tel. No. 7 of June 29th.

Refugee situation. Total foreign refugees either interned or in free confinement in Italy from 1939 till today according to statistics obtainable would be 31,000 outside figure.

2. Difficulties in establishing statistics:

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(h) No records found in Rome go beyond July 1943.

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(a) By dint of searching and good luck there are being found here individuals and records from which a fair general picture of numbers can be now drawn up.

(b) But more than this. Complete nominal rolls of above 15,000 individuals (Jews, Yugoslavs and others) have been traced. These can be photostated shortly and copies sent to you and other interested authorities if you desire this. Their possession will enable the Allies to call for the production of individuals by name and the establishment of relevant responsibilities for crime would be facilitated.

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5. Prevention of further persecution of refugees. I suggest it may be considered desirable now publicly to notify the Axis authorities we possess the exact names of those held in given camps and places of free detention on a given date and that due penalties will fall on those responsible for the death or ill treatment of these internees. Such an act would harmonise with President Roosevelt's present most active campaign on behalf of victims of Axis persecution, the more so as the Germans and Fascist Italians do not know we possess such records.

6. A detailed list of camps and places of free detention and numbers will follow by airmail as soon as completed. In the meantime the Allied Control Commission is being furnished with any known data of immediate practical interest.

7. Herewith a brief general approximative statement of refugee statistics subject to later corrections and adjustments.

Italian records for: (a) Liberated Italy.
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Of these 10,000 there have been found alive approximately Jews 4,000, Yugoslavs 1600, Maltese 400, others 700; total 6,700. These figures are exclusive of the 30,000 Yugoslav Partisans brought across the Adriatic in transit for the Middle East.

(b) North of battle front 21,000 maximum (possibly only 16,000).

It is estimated that of these the following are probably still alive in Italy: Jews 5,000, Maltese from Tripolitania 1,000, Chinese 500, others mainly Yugoslav 2,000; total 8,500.

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Special details.

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Internees & Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
c/o HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION (Adv)
APO 394

29 JUL 1944

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IGCR/REF/I

23 June 1944

IMMEDIATE and IMPORTANT

FROM : Sir Clifford E. Heathcote-Smith,
Resident Representative, Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees.

TO : Chief Commissioner, H.Q. Allied Control Commission (Adv)
A.M.G. Rome Region,
Director, Internees and Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

SUBJECT : Information regarding Concentration Camps of Non-Italian Refugees near the present line of battle.

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Since then, many camps have been emptied by the Fascists and/or Nazis and their inmates sent North; either to North Italy or beyond the frontiers to ..... Poland?, where according to several reports large numbers of the refugees are done to death.

(2) Further information as to camps and Detention Places of Residence (Confino Libero) in the remainder of non liberated Italy will be sent on by me in a few days, as also morepreciser figures regarding them.

There are believed to be no Detention Places for Free Residence (confino libero) South of the Regions of Venetia, Lombardy and Piedmont; where 101 localities were used for this purpose for groups of non-Italian refugees of 20 and upwards apart from still more numerous localities into some of which only one family had been sent.

(3) It is hoped that these particulars, if not already known, may facilitate the rescuing of some of these refugees, before the Axis sends them to an unknown destination end fate in the North.

Cl. Heathcote Smith

C.E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH 4627
R.R. I.G.C.R.

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LIST "A" to IGCR/REF/I
dated 23 June 1944.

No.	Name of Camp.	Region.	Province.	Commune.	Capacity.	Numbers at last known date.
I.	SFORZACOSTA (formerly POW Camp No 53)	MARCHE	MACERATA	SFORZA-COSTA	?	December 1943 150
2.	BAGNO R RIPOLI	TOSCANA	FIRENZA	BAGNO R RIPOLI	200	December 1943 180
3.	CASTELLO DI ROVEZZANO	TOSCANA	FIRENZE	MONTAL - BANO	150	February 1944 120
4.	CIVITELLA della CHIANA	TOSCANA	AREZZO	CIVITELLA della CHIANA	150	January 1944 140
5.	RENICCI (formerly POW Camp)	TOSCANA	AREZZO	ANGHIARI	800	250

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Region.	Province.	Commune.	Capacity.	Numbers at last known date.	Men Women Children.	Races.
MARCHE	MACERATA	SFORZA-COSTA	?	December I943 I50	Men	All Jews Polish, Czech, German.
TOSCANA	FIRENZA	BAGNO R RIPOLI	200	December I943 I80	Mixed	Jews (and some Aryans) Brit, French, Russian, USA and Stateless.
TOSCANA	FIRENZE	MONTAL - BANO	I50	February I944 I20	Men	Jews - Italian - Brit - French.
TOSCANA	AREZZO	CIVITELLA della CHIANA	I50	January I944 I40	Mixed	Brit and French Jews and Gentiles.
TOSCANA	AREZZO	ANGHIARI	800	250	Men	Jews (and some Aryans) Yugoslav, Brit, French, Greek.

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CCOS FOR MEATHCOTE SMITH IGCR REPEAT DISPER ROME TROOPERS INFO BRITISH CHIEF OF STAFF, AFHQ, ADV C.P.

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28 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

SUBJECT IS RESIDENT (?) REPRESENTATIVE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES.

PARA 1. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE IGCR WITH DISPER SUBCOMMISSION APPROVED BY COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF.

PARA 2. METHOD APPROVED FOR ADVANCES OF FUNDS IS FROM BANK OF ENGLAND AND BANK OF SICILY FROM UNITED KINGDOM STERLING FUNDS OR ONE OF UNITED STATES CORRESPONDENT BANKS OF BANK OF SICILY OR BANK OF NAPLES AND BANK OF SICILY OR BANK OF NAPLES-BUT IN NO CASE BY ANY SINCE IGCR IS UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION.

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PARA 4. FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION AC IS RECEIVING FURTHER DETAILS. WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SOON BE ABLE TO ADVISE ALL FINANCIAL PROCEDURES INVOLVED IN PARAS 2 AND 3.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref A40/75/CA

28 June 1944

SUBJECT: Correspondence.

TO : AMG Rome Area Command, APO 394, U.S. Army.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 440/21/CA. 21. June. 44.

SUBJECT: J.D.C. Representative in ROME.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

1. A request has been received that an additional member of the American Joint Distribution Committee be sent to Rome with a view to assisting Jewish refugees.

2. Will you report on the refugee situation in general and the Jewish refugees in particular so that we can decide whether the presence of this official will be necessary. Sir Clifford Heathcote Smith of the I.G.C.R. is in Rome should you wish to consult him.

(Sgd) C.J. Linehanna.

Lieut,
PA to Executive Commissioner.

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RC/HC Section (Brig. Lush) 21 June 44

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ROMA AIRA COMMAND FOR ACC ROMA REGION

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RE: NECESSITY AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR ROMA JEWISH

REFUGEES PD PASS TO ROMA AIRA COMMAND FOR ACC ROMA REGION FROM ACC MILITARY

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ROBERT B. LOCKEY,
Captain, AUS,
DEPUTY ADJUTANT.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
AFO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

12th June 1944.

Ref. 750/17/CA.

SUBJECT : Visits to ROME.

TO : AMG 5 Army
(Rome Sub-Region).

See Folio 85-86

1. A request has been received that a Dr. Joseph Schwartz, a representative of the American Joint Distribution Committee of the Inter-Governmental Committee on Refugees, be sent to ROME with the particular object of assisting Jewish refugees there.

2. The I.G.C.R. recommend this application.

3. Will you enquire into the condition of refugees generally and Jewish refugees in particular and inform this Headquarters whether in your opinion the presence of Dr. Schwartz is necessary in your city.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
c/o HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

REFERENCE : IGCR/6

FROM : Resident Representative, Inter Governmental-Committee on Refugees. 11 June 1944.

TO : Executive Commissioner, H.Q. A.C.C.

SUBJECT: Further Representative desired for Italy by the Joint Distribution Committee.

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2. I concur in the desirability of this.

3. If you concur also, could a telegram roughly on the following lines be sent to A.F.H.Q.?

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To : AFHQ

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If you approve please request State Department to contact Joint Distribution Committee New York and invite them to send here soonest possible ARTHUR GREENLEIGH for this work.

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letter sent 12 June by Capt Kearney

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9 June 44

Memorandum: FROM : Dr. Joseph Schwartz, American Joint Distribution Committee

TO : Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith, Resident Representative,
Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees.

1. Now that Rome is in Allied hands it is very important for the J.D.C. to have another representative in Italy attached to the I.G.C.R.

It is our intention to have Mr Max Perlman establish his headquarters in Bari, and from there, with the help of local Committees already functioning or yet to be established, undertake to develop a programme of assistance to Jewish and Stateless refugees in the Southern part of Italy.

It is obvious that he will have more than enough to do in organising and supervising services to groups of refugees scattered throughout Southern Italy and including such centres as Ferremonti, Santa Maria di Bagni, Salerno, Potenza, Naples, Bari and others.

2. Before the war Rome had a Jewish population of about 12,000, plus several thousand refugees. Although it is difficult to estimate the numbers now in Rome, it is a safe guess that many of these will still be found in the Capital. In addition, many others from the South and North of Italy have sought refuge in Rome and its vicinity.

We have knowledge of one group of 1200 refugees who came to Rome from Nice and other parts of Southern France at the time when they were taken over by the Germans from the Italians who previously occupied these territories.

To these we have already sent financial assistance through the British and American representatives at the Vatican.

3. To help these refugees and to bring assistance to the Jewish Community of Rome which has undergone such hardships under German occupation, we shall want to station a Representative there at the earliest possible time.

He will also be able to plan for the large number of Jewish residents and refugees in other cities of Northern Italy as they are liberated by our troops.

4. Availability of a J.D.C. Representative in Rome, under the aegis of the I.G.C.R. at an early date, will make it possible for a responsible body to deal with the problems there, and would avoid the confusion which would otherwise inevitably arise.

Arthur Greenleigh
270 Madison Ave.
New York City

Joseph Schwartz
JOSEPH SCHWARTZ,
Joint Distribution Committee.

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Executive Comm.

You will wish to see Sir Clifford Heathcote Smith's report to I.S.C.R. London. (at 81 - 82 below).

PL has already seen. WG 14/6

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FROM : Resident Representative, I.G.C.R. in Italy. 11 June 1944.

TO : Director, I.G.C.R. London.

SUBJECT: Report on Situation and Activities to Date.

1. Introductory.

I had hoped to have written a full report, but meanwhile I send this brief general notice.

2. Period.

This report covers the period from my arrival on 30 April until today.

3. Foreign Refugees - Distribution. 75

(a) The total number in S.Italy on 30 April appeared to be some 4,600? of whom all except a few hundred are Jewish. This is exclusive of Yugoslavs in transit for the Middle East.
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4. Refugees - Visits to Camps etc.

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Schemes are under study for supplementing the allowances to Refugees
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6. Refugees - and Italian Citizenship.

I am endeavouring to put through a scheme whereby those (the very small minority so far) who wish to obtain Italian nationality and make their permanent home here, shall be enabled to do so.
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7. Headquarters of my Office.

I have had rooms placed at my disposal both at the H.Q. Allied Control
IABP S/C Commission in Naples, and at the Internees and Displaced Persons Sub-Commission at Bari; and now I expect to transfer my own Headquarters to Rome very shortly.

The amount of travelling entailed by air and by road has been considerable

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8. Visits and Contacts.

I have been visiting or in contact with the following, apart ofcourse from the Allied Control Commission Officers :- British and American High Commissioners Sir Noel CHARLES and Mr Alexander KIRK; Mr Robert MURPHY Political Adviser, A.F.H.Q. Representatives of Royal Yugoslavia, Mr KREK and Colonel VUKOVICH; of Tito's Government Colonel POPOVITCH; of Greece, Mr KAPSAMBELIS; Soviet, General SUSAKOV; Poland, General KLIMSZUK; Czechoslavakia, Colonel SVOBODA; Italian Representatives, Count C.SFORZA, an old friend, Minister without Portfolio; Sig. REALE Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sig. CASACCIOLO Under Secretary for Interior, Sig. ZANIBONI Commissioner for Refugees, and his able Secretary General Sig. Fr CUZZO - these last four all at Salerno, the seat of Government, and Mr. JEFFERSON and Major KNIGHT, respective heads of the American and British Red Crosses.

Among Jewish helpers or leaders, Dr Joseph SCHWARTZ of the J.D.C.; Mr ACKERMANN, War Refugee Board; Chaplain ZEIBACH: Major SARASOFF; and Major SHERMAN, both in Palestine Transport Units and excellent, and many others.

I cannot end this list without mentioning one A.C.C. officer, Brigadier M.S. LUSH, the Executive Commissioner, without whose unfailing and ready assistance I should have been largely stranded.

9. The Staff.

Details were given in my IGCR/6 of 5 June, since then I have been told that my Corporal will shortly be withdrawn for Army purposes.

As it is impossible to carry on a Central Office without a permanent Secretary, I have cabled to Cairo to try to secure my former Secretary of the Alexandria Consulate General.

10. Records.

It is hoped that fairly full records of the Refugee situation will be found in Rome.

11. Future disposal of Staff.

This is now being worked out and will form the subject of a memorandum at the end of this week.

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Establishment Branch

Please see 79.

Would you see Hq Cmdt to make the necessary arrangements for accommodation in accordance with request in para: 3.

May I tell Rep. I.G.C.A. that the matter is in hand?

for Deputy Chief Major
C.M.B.
12 Jun.

H.Q. Com.

This would be Disp. Persons Rather than Refugee in ACC sense, We must see that accomodation is provided. Suggest a note to Drage

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Attended to by Letter 13/6/44.

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HEADQUARTERS COMMANDANT
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REFERENCE : IGCR/6 11 June 1944.

FROM : Resident Representative in Italy, I.G.C.R.

TO : Brigadier M.S. Lush,
Executive Commissioner, H.Q. A.C.C.

SUBJECT : I.G.C.R. and Rome.

1. It is I know, the wish of the Headquarters Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees, that I should reach Rome at the earliest possible moment so as to become acquainted with the foreign refugee situation, and communicate it to them.

2. Anything that you can do to help me to this end will be most appreciated.

3. When in Rome I shall need to set up an office, and would make Rome rather than any city South, my Headquarters.

There again I shall be most grateful for any assistance you can give me for this purpose. My hope would be to have two rooms if possible, and I should also need a billet until such times as I am able to acquire an apartment.

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1. HQ Comndt. for Accomdt

2. Security for pass in due course

C.E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH,
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APO 394

RMS/23/GA.

SUBJECT: Personnel and Office. 6 June 1944.

TO : Resident Representative in Italy, I.C.C.P.

1. I refer to your IRCR/6 of 5 June 1944.

2. I should be glad if you would take steps as soon as possible to replace L/Cpl. Wilson and your driver (if F.M. or O.R.) by Italian or other civilian personnel.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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2 June 1944.

REFERENCE : IGCR/6

FROM : Resident Representative in Italy, I.G.C.R.

TO : Director, I.G.C.R. London.

SUBJECT : Personnel and Office.

1. Herewith for your information a brief account of the personnel at present staffing, or about to staff, this Representation, as well as a few details regarding the office situation.

2. Personnel - in order of arrival.

(i) I arrived in Naples on the 30th April last
(ii) L/Cpl J. Wilson, Grenadier Guards, was assigned to me as Clerk, on or about 6th May, and accompanies me as between the Bari and Naples offices
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(vi) and (vii) Mr Denis Mann, 25 years old, of the (British) Field Ambulance Unit
Mr Sampson D Marriage, 27 years old, of the same Unit.
These two latter will both join the staff in the course of the next 10 days
(viii) An Italian driver for my car is also due to join me very shortly.

3. Conditions of Service.

Not one member of the staff will be paid a salary by the I.G.C.R. under present arrangements. No's ii and viii are paid by the Army, and No's 3 to 7
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I have made clear to Mr Peter Gibson, Officer in charge of the F.A.U. that should it be found suitable for his two members to be paid some form of salary, I felt certain that the I.G.C.R. would unhesitatingly comply.
No's 3 to 7 will all enjoy Officer status.

4. Period of Service.

Technically the A.F.S.C. and the F.A.U. members can be withdrawn after a few months service if their Organisations so desire. But I anticipate no serious difficulties under that head.
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It is clearly accepted in each case that the members of the A.F.S.C., J.D.C., and F.A.U., work under the full authority and responsibility of the I.C.C.R., but that if there is any special work they desire to do for their own Organisations, and if their duties with I.C.C.R. allow the necessary time for it, they are free to do it.

Sgd/ C.E. Heathcote-Smith

C.E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH.

Copy to:
Executive Commissioner. ✓

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P.A. to Exec. Comm.

E.C. may wish to read
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to this.
It is all interesting.

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ER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
c/o HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
C.M.F.

REFERENCE : IGCR/PAL/3 30 May 1944

FROM : Resident Representative in Italy, I.G.C.R.

TO : Sir Herbert Emerson, Director, I.G.C.R. London.

SUBJECT : First Settlement overseas of Stateless Refugees effected through I.G.C.R. instrumentality.

1. Departure of Convoy.

I confirm my telegram No 3 of 29 May 44 which reported that 571 Sionist Jews had been embarked for Palestine, and are now on their way there.

2. Reasons for length of this Memorandum.

As this is the initial operation of its kind effected at the instance of and under the auspices of the I.G.C.R. and in a not inconsiderable degree with its assistance I propose to deal with this first venture in some detail.
And this for three reasons, because, firstly: I feel you would wish to know what the despatch of this selected group of immigrants invoved: secondly, the full particulars given here should enable future reports on any subsequent similar operations to be comparatively laconic: and thirdly, the recital may serve to prevent the recurrence of avoidable errors and promote ideas and suggestions for dealing more adequately with future shipments.

3. Situation and Preparations previous to my arrival.

There have been in S.Italy with little variations of numbers since our occupation cared for and maintained by the Internees
I&DPS/C and Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, Jewish refugees located in Ferramenti Camp some 850, at Di Bagni some 500, and in the Bari Transit Camp nearly 200. Apart from these there have been groups greater or smaller living scattered inside and near the towns of BARI, SALERNO, POTENZA, FOGGIA, BENEVENTO, TRIBISACCE etc, besides youths in 2 Agricultural training centres.
With communications slow and difficult, it was a hard task for those concerned to keep in constant touch with these dispersed bodies.
The Jewish people, always practical, formed a Jewish Emigration
J.E.C. Committee (J.E.C.)in S.Italy, with its centre at Bari, embracing 11 members in all, dispersed between other cities and camps.
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This selection was far advanced when in Mid-April Mr Shertok, the Head of the Jewish Agency, was authorised by A.F.H.Q. North Africa to visit S.Italy. It was understood he would select the first 300 "Certificate holders".
Actually he remained a very short time in S.Italy and delegated his authority to a Mr Serini who worked with the J.E.C. at Bari for a while, when he too went off (to the United Kingdom).
Thus on my arrival at Bari on the 11th May (I reached Italy - Naples - on 30 April) there was the 300 Family Heads List already signed by Serini, while there was a further 800 Family Heads List

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drawn up, which he had scanned and also authenticated by his signature.
The Officer who had been throughout in the closest touch with the J.E.C. and to whom they looked for advice was Captain L.J. Korn, an American Army Officer of the I&EPS/C. It would be impossible to find anyone more selfless, more sympathetic about the problems involved or more single minded. Although he has no racial or other connection with the Jews, he is held in great affection and respect by them all, and can speak their common language - German.
He explained to me that there were still some doubtful cases: that several dubious marriages were taking place, so that presumed bachelors were marrying in haste single women over 18, and thus "save" certificates for others: and above all that the instructions from Palestine regarding numbers were not clear.

4. Uncertainty regarding instructions in respect of the Numbers of Emigrant Heads of Families.

(a) Uncertainty regarding the Instructions

The instructions regarding both the numbers and the categories of the total to be admitted have proved to be confusing: and despite much study of them, no one here is completely clear as to what was intended.

(b) Doubtful Points in the Instructions

(a) Was the total to be 300 or 315?
(b) Those on the nominal lists furnished by the Palestine Authorities - List A 53 names: List B 11 names: were considered as effectively on the priority lists, even if they had no proofs of their certificates. But if such persons were still in Axis territory were their places to be taken by others waiting here in liberated territory?
(c) Was the "delegation" of authority to choose the immigrants given by Mr Shertok to Mr Serini, to invest the latter(who during these crucial weeks has been absent in England) with absolute overruling powers?
(d) How were other substitutes to be chosen for the vacancies caused (i) by those who have changed their mind, (ii) by recent marriages absorbing "Heads of Families" (single women over 18) (iii) by illness (iv) by enlistment in the Czech or other Armies, and so on.

(c) Decisions taken on doubtful points.

On my advice and authority the local self-styled Jewish Emigration Committee has conformed to the following decisions:
(a) The Heads of Families total is not to exceed 300 in principle,
(b) Whatever the number of cases of Certificates granted to persons still in Enemy territories, an equal number of Heads of Families present here shall benefit and be allowed to leave for Palestine.
(c) Mr Serini's list has been respected subject to changes caused by subsequent vacancies.
(d) The list of priority for Ersatz or substitute emigrants drawn

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(a) Uncertainty regarding the Instructions

The instructions regarding both the numbers and the categories of the total to be admitted have proved to be confusing: and despite much study of them, no one here is completely clear as to what was intended.

(b) Doubtful Points in the Instructions

(a) Was the total to be 300 or 313?
(b) Those on the nominal lists furnished by the Palestine Authorities - List A 53 names: List B 11 names: were considered as effectively on the priority lists, even if they had no proofs of their certificates. But if such persons were still in Axis territory were their places to be taken by others waiting here in liberated territory?
(c) Was the "delegation" of authority to choose the immigrants given by Mr Shertok to Mr Serini, to invest the latter(who during these crucial weeks has been absent in England) with absolute overruling powers?
(d) How were other substitutes to be chosen for the vacancies caused (i) by those who have changed their mind, (ii) by recent marriages absorbing "Heads of Families" (single women over 18) (iii) by illness (iv) by enlistment in the Czech or other Armies, and so on.

(c) Decisions taken on doubtful points.

On my advice and authority the local self-styled Jewish Emigration Committee has conformed to the following decisions:
(a) The Heads of Families total is not to exceed 300 in principle,
(b) Whatever the number of cases of Certificates granted to persons still in Enemy territories, an equal number of Heads of Families present here shall benefit and be allowed to leave for Palestine.
(c) Mr Serini's list has been respected subject to changes caused by subsequent vacancies.
(d) The list of priority for Ersatz or substitute emigrants drawn up by the local Jewish Emigration Committee has been utilised as a basis for filling new vacancies, subject to an overriding authority that I have exercised when there was a doubt and appeal made to me.

5. Decision to Send Convoy away as soon as possible.

It took me some days to understand what was apparently holding up the final decisions. But the I&DPS/C very helpfully accepted my somewhat anomalous position of Representative of the I.G.C.R. as that of an official with authority to make decisions in respect of these emigrants to Palestine.

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Since I conceived the role and policy of the I.G.C.R. as having early and final settlement of the Stateless persons as its foremost aim, I sent you my telegram of the 14 May stating that 300 Heads of Families should be leaving for Palestine at the end of May.
In the sequel it was found that the implementing of this decision entailed an exceptionally rapid effort.

Dates of Sailing.

I was confidentialy informed that there would probably be a convoy about the 31stMay/1st June: and on Saturday 20th May I set out by car from Bari for FERRAMONTI Camp, near Cosenza, with Mr David
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To overcome their natural reluctance to accept compensation to be fixed later and unilaterally, I reminded them that by fleeing from German persecution into the lands held by the American and British, they had voluntarily entrusted us with their lives and honour, and that now they were only being faced with having confidence in our Governments as regards their money.
When the time came later, all handed over their currency quite happily.

Substitutes or ERSATZ Emigrants.

Then the Substitutes were addressed, as clearly there would be persons falling out, and substitutes or ERSATZ Emigrants needed: a group of a few families had been selected, some 40 from throughout S.Italy, of whom about 12 families in Ferramonti. I told these people the situation and said that they were free to take a chance and go down with the others to the eventual Transit Camp for Embarkation. They must clearly understand that though called, they might not be chosen, and would have to return to Ferramonti in that case. All except two families accepted. Subsequently I spoke to the remainder of the Camp, less those already

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A rather distinguished elderly Jew then made an eloquent speech, heartily applauded, which ended with the words:
"This is the day of the greatest disappointment of our lives: the American and British Governments speak fine words, but do nothing, except allow an insignificant contingent to enter Palestine, but not the States or a part of the British Empire".
I thought matters should not rest there, so I briefly complimented the speaker on his eloquence: pointed out the happy life the German Jews had led in Germany

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until an orator with childishly inexact accusations had by his eloquence turned all the Germans against the Jews.
That eloquence based on false premises had been their undoing: and I asked should they cease to trust the two countries, now protecting them, merely because both of them engaged in this life and death struggle of this world wide war could not simultaneously perform miracles for what later may be millions of homeless and Stateless?
The meeting by its response appeared to come back to earth again.
That evening at Cosenza I was told the sailing date 30th May was likely.
So the next day at a further meeting all due to sail were told to stand by as from Thursday 25th May: and all signed a form drawn up declaring their complete readiness and desire to go to Palestine.

Change of Date.

We set off for the Camp at S.Maria di Bagni, but were held up at Taranto. There I thought it best to get the sailing date further confirmed by Movements: and to our disconfiture heard it had been put forward, and that all should be aboard late on Friday 26th, with a very faint possibility of delay until Saturday 27th.
I decided it would be best to go ahead even if only some 250 Heads of Families could be collected.

Camp at Di Bagni.

With several minor changes, and with no time to address all the inmates of the "Camp" (really a summer resort seaside village, pleasant unfurnished villas) the same procedure was followed as at Ferramonti, and signatures obtained of all those on the list and desirous to sail.
The usual crop of individual hardship cases came up for settlement, while here too a further batch of ERSATZ emigrants were listed, and agreed to stand their chance by coming to the Embarkation Transit Camp.

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Mr Howard Wriggins of the A.F.S.C. who had come to work with me, had reached Bari the day before, and was despatched straight away on the 23rd to Ferramonti Camp to assist the Commandant in the accelerated preparations for departure. He and Lt Garcia collected against receipt the currency handed in by the refugees, while the DPS/C sent a Finance Officer to Di Bagni on the same errand.

At the Embarkation Transit Camp.

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They arrived the first two, in the afternoon of Thursday, the Ferramonti section on Friday morning all at Taranto, whence they were brought by lorries to the"Brickfield" Camp.
The accommodation for the 570 odd persons was on the floor of the huge upper room, of a still more huge one hall building, where some 2000 Yugoslav refugees were camped on the ground floor.
Straw and blankets were provided by the A.C.C. as also hot soup and adequate food during their stay. The newcomers soon camped themselves among their belongings and uttered no complaints about the necessarily somewhat primitive accommodation.

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From Friday morning onwards there was a perfect orgy of lists to be made, all at top pressure. First all the refugees had to be identified in due order, and handed their Embarkation Travel Cards, to which the official number on the Nominal Roll could not yet be added. A few of the more independent refugees were still dribbling in on their own. Then all the Ersatz or Substitutes were called up separately and identified, but not issued with Travel Cards.
After this the list of all the individuals from the various camps etc had to be sorted, and a definite figure established to show how many were missing and how many ERSATZ members could be admitted.
This figure was finaly established at 29 Heads of Families. These 29 individuals were then chosen after careful deliberation with the representatives of the J.E.C. from among the whole Ersatz list.
On this an Alphabetical Nominal Roll of the 300 Heads of Families was begun, with consecutive official numbers, and this was only finished before dawn on Saturday the 27th.
Lists were also demanded for the Sea Transport Officer of groups of passengers divided into blocks of 25 to 30, with sexes and ages, and a breakdown showing five different age groups.
In the morning the 60 odd persons, including the Ersatz group, who had not yet handed over their currency did so, against official receipts - a lengthly operation with the small value notes in circulation here.
Meanwhile the R.A.M.C. were vaccinating all those without proof of recent inoculation.
The last operation was the handing in by each Head of Family, in alphabetical order, of his Embarkation Travel Card for presentation on arrival in Palestine, on to which his official number as figuring on the Nominal Roll was affixed. All were lined up in Alphabetical order for this operation which worked smoothly and rapidly, and was the final proof that all were present.
As each Head of Family passed on he was handed by the Sea Transport Officer's Representative a ticket showing his place in the ship.
Shortly after the passengers were lined up with their baggage and placed with it into the lorries brought on to the Camp ground, whence they were taken on to the quay alongside the Transport.
Subsequently each one was directed straight to his appointed deck, or in the case of a few elder persons, their cabin.

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General Comments.

Selection of Refugees. It is clear that there must be a stricter control if the next group of Emigrants is to be carefuly chosen, from out of a larger number. It is significant that 10 of the 11 members of the J.E.C. placed themselves on the chosen list and departed.

Collection at Embarkation Transit Camp.
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If time allows, it would be helpful if the Emigrants were collected three clear days beforhand in this Camp, so many are the operations and lists to be made.

Absence of Children.

There was a noticable absence of children in this convoy: and indeed the average emigrant was middle aged or older. I do not know how far this is in accord with the Palestine Government's policy. It would be most valuable if a Representative of the Jewish Agency controls the making of the choices for the next convoy.

Cooperation with the A.C.C. and I & DPS/C.

Throughout I have received every possible assistance in the I.G.C.R's share in the despatch of these emigrants.
The I & DPS/C's share of the work was carried out most rapidly and effectively, and I should like especially to place on record the never failing helpfulness of Lt CRANE the Rackfields Camp Commandant, despite his most slender resources.

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ANNEX "A" 13

ZIONIST INTERNEES TO PALESTINE.
FROM SOUTH ITALY MAY 1944.

Nominal roll.

Official number	Name	Sex	Age	Birthplace	Nationality	Relationship
1.	Abravanel Rafael	m	1920	Pirot	Yugoslav	
	" Rahela	f	1922	Beograd	"	wife
2.	Adler Alfred	m	1895	Muelhausen	German	
3.	Adler Theodor	m	1884	Urspringen	German	
	" Regina	f	1893	Muenchen	"	wife
4.	Albahari Matilda	f	1905	Sarajevo	Yugoslav	
	" Sida	f	1927	Makarska	"	daughter
	" Rahela	f	1930	"	"	"
5.	Alkalay Salamon	m	1906	Sarajevo	"	
	" Erna	f	1913	Travnik	"	wife
	" Leon	m	1939	Sarajevo	"	son
6.	Altarac Avram	m	1921	Sarajevo	"	
7.	" Kalmi	m	1912	"	"	
	" Hanna	f	1920	"	"	wife
8.	Altaras Mento	m	1905	"	"	
	" Klara	f	1918	Doboj	"	wife
	" Eli	m	1939	Split	"	son
9.	Anhang Mendel	m	1888	Sieniava	Poland	
	" Paula	f	1894	Ekin	"	wife
10.	Antmann Hermann	m	1922	Sv.Jur	C.S.R.	
11.	Aronsohn Wilhelm	m	1879	Koenigsberg	Germany	
	" Anna	f	1885	Neumark	"	wife
12.	Becker Sehije	m	1890	Chrzanow	Poland	
	" Regina	f	1898	Hannover	"	wife
13.	Behar Chaskija	m	1917	Novi Pazar	Yugoslav	
	" Rikica	f	1919	Sarajevo	"	wife
14.	Beltinester Klara	f	1897	Suczava	Germany	
15.	Beman Paul	m	1920	Bratislava	C.S.R.	
16.	Benedikt Betti	f	1889	Vacz	"	
	" Eduard	m	1926	Bratislava	"	son
	" Julius	m	1927	"	"	"
17	Berger Olga	f	1901	Wien	Yugoslav	
	Kabilio Leon	m	1928	Spalato	"	nephew

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	Altabari Matilda	f 1905	Sarajevo	Yugoslav	
	" Ilida	f 1927	Makarska	"	daughter
	" Rahela	f 1930	"	"	"
5.	Alkalay Salamon	m 1906	Sarajevo	"	
	" Erna	f 1913	Travnik	"	wife
	" Leon	m 1939	Sarajevo	"	son
6.	Altarac Avram	m 1921	Sarajevo	"	
7.	" Kalmi	m 1912	"	"	
	" Hanna	f 1920	"	"	wife
8.	Altaras Mento	m 1906	"	"	
	" Klara	f 1918	Doboj	"	wife
	" Eli	m 1939	Split	"	son
9.	Anhang Mendel	m 1888	Sianiava	Poland	
	" Paula	f 1894	Ekin	"	wife
10.	Antmann Hermann	m 1922	Sv.Jur	C.S.R.	
11.	Aronsohn Wilhelm	m 1879	Koenigsberg	Germany	
	" Anna	f 1885	Neumark	"	wife
12.	Becker Sehije	m 1890	Chrzanow	Poland	
	" Regina	f 1898	Hannover	"	wife
13.	Bahar Chaskija	m 1917	Novi Pazar	Yugoslav	
	" Nikica	f 1919	Sarajevo	"	wife
14.	Baltinester Klara	f 1897	Suczava	Germany	
15.	Benau Paul	m 1920	Bratislava	C.S.R.	
16.	Benedikt Betti	f 1889	Vacz	"	
	" Edoard	m 1926	Bratislava	"	
	" Julius	m 1927	"	"	son
17	Berger Olga	f 1901	Wien	Yugoslav	
	Kabilio Leon	m 1928	Spalato	"	nephew
18.	Berger Bruno	m 1925	Zagreb	"	
19.	Bermann Chain	m 1885	Kalusch	Poland	
	" Reisel	f 1887	Tismenica	"	wife
20.	Bernstein Bruno	m 1895	Wien	C.S.R.	
	" Charlotte	f 1896	Vidovce	"	wife
21.	Blitzer Levek	m 1892	Chrzanov	Poland	
22.	Blumenfeld Emanuel	m 1913	Sp. Podhrodie	C.S.R.	
	" Malvine	f 1910	V. Follmar	"	wife
	" Chaviva	f 1940	Dobra	"	daughter

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Official number	Name	Sex	Age	Birthplace	Nationality	Relationship
23.	Bedek Gusti	f	1895	Lemberg	Austrian	
24.	Bein Leser	m	1878	Warszawa	Poland	
	" Sara	f	1882	"	"	wife
25.	Bergmicht Efrain	m	1883	Tarnow	"	
	" Ester	f	1887	"	"	wife
26.	Bruntwein Alfred	m	1899	Wien	"	
27.	Braun Alexander	m	1907	Moetovskut	CSR	
	" Lea	f	1915	Krasno	CSR	wife
28.	Braun Stefan	m	1906	L.Sv.Mikulas	CSR	
	" Alis	f	1909	Kamenica	CSR	wife
29.	Braumer Alfred	m	1910	Cadca	CSR	
	" Frieda	f	1911	Wien	CSR	wife
30.	Braumer Richard	m	1911	Cadca	CSR	
	" Lea	f	1914	Przemysl	"	wife
31.	Bremer Fritz	m	1903	Bohumin	"	
	" Edith	f	1921	Wien	"	wife
32.	Breuer Eduard	m	1897	Mattersburg	Austria	
	" Johanna	f	1899	Wiesen	"	wife
	" Josef	m	1928	Wr.Neustadt	"	son
	" Judith	f	1930	"	"	daughter
	" Ilse	f	1932	"	"	"
	" Lia	f	1934	"	"	"
	" Liselotte	f	193[illegible]	"	"	"
33.	Bromberger Markus	m	1887	Chrasnov	Poland	
34.	Brodi Margit	f	1908	Bratislava	Austria	
	" Velly	f	1937	Wien	"	daughter
35.	Bukspan Xyel	m	1897	Brzecko	Poland	
	" Feiga	f	1902	"	"	wife
	" Margot	f	1930	Berlin	"	daughter
36.	Cukier Gerson	m	1916	Warsava	"	
37.	Cyther Icek	m	1895	Lodz	"	
38.	Csitron Alexander	m	1917	Berehovo	CSR	
	" Rosa	f	1917	Bratislava	"	wife
	Spiegel Leopold	m	1929	"	"	br.in law.
39.	Dancyger Salamal	m	1899	Bendzin	Poland	
	" Anna	f	1900	Jaroslav	"	wife

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	" Feiga	f	1902	"	"		wife
	" Margot	f	1930	Berlin	"		daughter
36.	Cukier Gerson	m	1916	Warsava	"		
37.	Cyther Icak	m	1895	Lodz	"		
38.	Czitron Alexander	m	1917	Berehovo	CSR		
	" Rosa	f	1917	Bratislava	"		wife
	Spiegel Leopold	m	1929	"	"		br.in law
39.	Dancyger Salamal	m	1899	Bendzin	Poland		
	" Anna	f	1900	Jaroslav	"		wife
40.	Davidovits Mor	m	1910	Nevi Salas	CSR		
	" Olga	f	1913	Kosice	"		wife
	" Judith	f	1943	Kosenza	"		daughter
41.	Degen Baruch	m	1913	Nevi Targ	Poland		
	" Cila	f	1918	" "	"		wife
	- Moshe Jacob	m	1943	Ferramonti	-		Son
42.	Deutsch Alfred	m	1892	Bos.Brod	Yugoslav		
	" Irene	f	1904	Sarajevo	"		wife
	" Vera Ester	f	1931	Split	"		daughter
	" Eda-Grof	f	1932	Sarajevo	"		"

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43	Domany	Desider	m	1910	Tuzla	Yugoslav		
	"	Hermina	f	1917	Bjelovar	"	Wife	
	"	Ruben	m	1937	Varasdin	"	Son	
44	Dominitz	Jakob	m	1901	Dukla	Poland		
	"	Berta	f	1906	Rodomyal	"	Wife	
	"	Eleonora	f	1933	Muenchen	"	Daughter	
45	Derman	David	m	1886	Gorlice	"		
	"	Itte	f	1888	Rzesov	"	Wife	
46	Dukes	Samuel	m	1891	Wien	Austria		
	"	Amalie	f	1900	"	"	Wife	
47	Ehrenfeld	Josef	m	1887	Catca	CSR		
	"	Rosa	f	1894	Bisternice	CSR	Wife	
48	Ehrlich	Alexander	m	1899	Trnava	CSR	Wife	
	"	Bella Berta	f	1903	Nitra	CSR	Daighter	
XXX	"	Walter	m	1930	Trnava	CSR	Son	
	"	Benno	m	1942	Lecca	CSR	Son	
49	Eisen	Leser	m	1908	Ustrzyki	Poland		
	"	Klara	f	1908	Leipzig	"	Wife	
	Ober	Wolf	m	1876	Bojaloffa	"	Father in Law	
50	Eisner	Herbert	m	1910	Berlin	Poland		
	"	Ida	f	1909	Leipzig	"	Wife	
	Weintraub	Rosa	f	1868	Leipzig	"	Mother in Law	
51	Englaender	Samuel	m	1913	Dobce	Poland		
	"	Sara	f	1919	Koeln	"	Wife	
52	Farkas	Gisella	f	1901	Kezmarok	CSR		
	"	Karl	m	1929	Chust	CS R	Son	
53	Fertig	Abraham	m	1894	Bochnia	Poland		
54	Fellner	Stefanie	f	1887	Wien	Austria		
55	Figdor	Mathilde	f	1884	Cifer	Austria		
56	Finger	Josef	m	1883	Wien	Austria		
57	Fischer	Josep	m	1897	Vukovar	Yugoslav		
	"	Dora	f	1901	"	"	Wife	
	"	Cecilia	f	1929	Zagreb	"	Daughter	
	"	Mladen	m	1933	"	"	Son	
58	Fixler	Bezalel	m	1911	Holatin	CSR		
59	Fleischacker	Karoline	f	1901	Budapest	Poland		
60	Freiwirth	Leopold	m	1880	Komjath	Austria		
	"	Elsa	f	1885	Wien	"	Wife	

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			f	1894	Mistenice	CSR	Wife
48	Ehrlich	Alexander	m	1899	Trnava	CSR	Wife
	"	Bella Berta	f	1903	Nitra	CSR	Daighter
XXX	"	Walter	m	1930	Trnava	CSR	Son
	"	Benno	m	1942	Leroe	CSR	Son
49	Eisen	Leser	m	1901	Ustrzyki	Poland	
	"	Klara	f	1908	Leipzig	"	Wife
	Ober	Wolf	m	1876	Bojalofka	"	Father in Law
50	Eisner	Herbert	m	1910	Berlin	Poland	
	"	Ida	f	1909	Leipzig	"	Wife
	Weintraub	Rosa	f	1868	Leipzig	"	Mother in Law
51	Englaender	Samuel	m	1913	Dobee	Poland	
	"	Sara	f	1919	Koeln	"	Wife
52	Farkas	Gisella	f	1901	Kezmarok	CSR	
	"	Karl	m	1929	Chust	CS R	Son
53	Fertig	Abraham	m	1894	Bochnia	Poland	
54	Fellner	Stefanie	f	1887	Wien	Austria	
55	Figlor	Mathilde	f	1884	Cifer	Austria	
56	Finger	Josef	m	1883	Wien	Austria	
57	Fischer	Josep	m	1897	Vukovar	Yugoslav	
	"	Maren	f	1901	"	"	Wife
	"	Cecilia	f	1929	Zagreb	"	Daughter
	"	Mladen	m	1933	"	"	Son
58	Fixler	Bezalel	m	1911	Holatin	CSR	
59	Fleischacker	Karoline	f	1901	Budapest	Poland	4599
60	Freiwirth	Leopold	m	1880	Komjath	Austria	
	"	Elsa	f	1885	Wien	"	Wife
61	Fried	Dragotin	m	1903	Ivaniegrad	Yugoslav	
	"	Dora	f	1907	Podr. Slatina	"	Wife
	"	Ruben	m	1933	Zagreb	"	Son
62	Friedmann	Arpad	m	1911	Vranov	CSR	
	"	Irene	f	1917	Hanusovce	CSR	Wife
	"	Sulamit	f	1943	Cosenza	CSR	Daughter
63	Friedmann	Paul	m	1913	Kolbas	CSR	
64	Friedmann	Sabija	m	1899	Podgorce	Poland	
	"	Nadija	f	1897	Wieslica	"	Wife

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65.	Friedmann Frieda	f	1888	Wien	Austria	
66.	Frostig-Adler Dr. Naftali	m	1896	Grodek	Poland	
67.	Fuerst Strecko	m	1893	Caljek	Yugoslav	
	" Irene	f	1905	"	"	wife
	" Lidia	f	1937	Zagreb	"	daughter
	" Nella	f	1939	Zagreb	"	"
	" Regina	f	1942	Kurasin	"	"
68.	Gaon Josef	m	1902	Sarajevo	Yugoslav	
	" Rosa	f	1907	Travnik	"	wife
	" Rafael	m	1929	Sarajevo	"	son
	" Mordschaj	m	1941	Sarajevo	"	son
69.	Gewurz Pinkas	m	1887	Mielnica	Poland	
70.	Gildin-Gerin Paul	m	1916	Leipzig	Russian	
	" " Marietta	f	1917	Tuzla	"	wife
	Gruber Etel	f	1891	Kunbegyes	Yugoslav	mother in law
71.	Glass Mendel	m	1886	Brodia	Poland	
72.	Greisman Samuel	m	1895	Sgyus	"	
73.	Gruber Sara	f	1881	Berhomar	Rumania	
74.	Glueckmann Salomon	m	1897	Vadovic	Poland	
	" Maria	f	1899	Krakow	"	wife
	" Blocmann	f	1926	"	"	daughter
75.	Goldberger Alexander	m	1913	Dun.Streda	CSR	
	" Regina	f	1912	Sifar	CSR	wife
	" Helena	f	1943	Ferramonti	CSR	daughter
76.	Goldberger Emil	m	1915	Nem.Vrba	CSR	
77.	Goldberger Leopold	m	1915	Giro	CSR	
78.	Goldfinger Majer	m	1899	Wiesnice	Poland	
	" Josefina	f	1901	Teschen	"	wife
	" Siegfried	m	1927	"	"	son
	" Felice	f	1941	Brdi	"	daughter
79.	Goldstein Irene	f	1899	Radvanice	CSR	
80.	Gross Eugen	m	1902	Trencin	CSR	
	" Serafine	f	1911	Topolcany	"	wife
81.	Grossmann Dr.Branko	m	1909	Krizevci	Yugoslav	
	" Charlotte	f	1913	Djakovo	"	wife

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	[illegible]	f	1907	Travnik	"	wife
	" Rafael	m	1939	Sarajevo	"	son
	" Mordechaj	m	1941	Sarajevo	"	son
69.	Gesundes Pinkas	m	1887	Mieniava	Poland	
70.	Gildis-Corin Paul	m	1916	Leipzig	Russian	
	" " Marietta	f	1917	Paula	"	wife
	Gruber Etel	f	1891	Kunhegyes	Jugoslav	mother in law
71.	Glass Mendel	m	1886	Brodla	Poland	
72.	Greimann Samuel	m	1895	Sgyos	"	
73.	Gruber Sara	f	1881	Berbesar	Rumania	
74.	Glueckmann Salomon	m	1897	Vadovic	Poland	
	" Maria	f	1899	Krakow	"	wife
	" Eleonora	f	1926	"	"	daughter
75.	Goldberger Alexander	m	1913	Dun.Streda	CSR	
	" Regina	f	1912	Cifer	CSR	wife
	" Helena	f	1943	Partizanska	CSR	daughter
76.	Goldberger Emil	m	1915	Nem.Vrba	CSR	
77.	Goldberger Leopold	m	1915	Giro	CSR	
78.	Goldfinger Major	m	1899	Vlesnice	Poland	
	" Josefina	f	1901	Teschen	"	wife
	" Siegfried	m	1927	"	"	son
	" Felice	f	1941	Bpa	"	daughter
79.	Goldstein Irene	f	1899	Radvanice	CSR	
80.	Gross Eugen	m	1902	Trencin	CSR	
	" Serafine	f	1911	Topolcany	"	wife
81.	Grossmann Dr.Branko	m	1909	Krizevci	Yugoslav	
	" Charlotte	f	1913	Djakovo	"	wife
82.	Grunschlag Elias	m	1883	Bolesov	Poland	
	" Klara	f	1889	Boryslav	"	wife
83.	Gubi Alexander	m	1908	Budapest	CSR	
84.	Guss Kurt	m	1921	Karlsbad	CSR	
85.	Gross Ludwig	m	1919	V.Uherce	CSR	
86.	Gross Martin	m	1915	V.Uherce	CSR	
87.	Gross Vilim	m	1921	Bratislava	CSR	
88.	Grossmann Samuel	m	1881	Pakrac	Yugoslav	
89.	Gross Alexander	m	1917	Vece	CSR	

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90.	Grunebaum Erwin	m	1921	Podolinec	CSR	
91.	Hafner Rudolf	m	1888	Curko	Yugoslav	
	" Marga	f	1890	Karlovac	"	wife
92.	" Mira	f	1924	Zagreb	"	daughter
93.	Halm Malvine	f	1869	Wien	Austria	
94.	Halm Andrija	m	1916	Osijek	Yugoslav	
	" Margita	f	1921	Velka	"	wife
95.	Halasz Rosa	f	1883	Satoraljaujhely	CSR	
96.	Hammerschlag Filip	m	1907	Kassarok	CSR	
97.	Hauser Jakob	m	1894	Bawa	Poland	
	" Chuma	f	1895	Vodenlav	"	wife
	" Julius	m	1930	Rasen	"	son
98.	Hauser Ewalka	f	1900	Rzeszow	Poland	
	" Lia	f	1928	Berlin	"	daughter
99.	Heimler Franz	m	1899	Wien	Austrian	
	" Lina	f	1899	Seitz	"	wife
100.	Hegner Danisz	m	1887	Mijaniszcz	Poland	
	" Hanni	f	1898	Glogov	"	wife
101.	Hirsch Feibisch	m	1889	Kurolma	Poland	
102.	Hirschbein Edgar	m	1919	Tuzla	Yugoslav	
	" Zlata	f	1922	Sarajevo	"	wife
103.	Hirschl Adenka	m	1900	Krizevci	Yugoslav	
	" Mina	f	1906	Podr.Slatina	"	wife
	Heinstein Lea	f	1930	" "	"	
104.	Hirschl Zvonimir	m	1901	Koprivnica	Yugoslav	
	" Lucy	f	1905	Pozega	"	wife
	" Milan	m	1928	Beograd	"	son
	" Lea	f	1951	"	"	daughter
105.	Hirschler Mikard	m	1897	Kloinine	Yugoslav	
	" Olga	f	1898	Zagreb	"	wife
	" Zeljko	m	1928	"	"	son
106.	Hirschtritt Leo	m	1888	Pierzbice	Poland	
107.	Hofner Martin	m	1912	Leipzig	"	
108.	Hoffmann Julius	m	1885	Elberfeld	Germany	
	" Klara	f	1889	Leipzig	"	wife

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96.	Blumenschein Philip	1869	Kamensk	CSR	
97.	Hauser Jakob	1904	Slave	Poland	wife
	" Gisela	1905	Volenlav	"	son
	" Julius	1950	Ruben	"	
98.	Blumenthal Sybella	1910	Pleasov	Poland	daughter
	" Ida	1938	Berlin	"	
99.	Heinicke Hedwig	1899	Wien	America	wife
	" Lisa	1899	Berlin	"	
100.	Bergner Bernhard	1887	Hilversum	Poland	wife
	" Hertha	1898	Glogov	"	
101.	Hirsch Fritzlisch	1889	Kinolin	Poland	
102.	Hirschbein Edgar	1919	Tuzla	Yugoslav	wife
	" Gisela	1922	Sarajevo	"	
103.	Hirschl Edeltraud	1900	Ljubovid	Yugoslav	wife
	" Ilse	1906	Belo-Zlatica	"	
	Rothenstein Leo	1939			
104.	Hirschl Sigmund	1881	Kopitnitsa	Yugoslav	wife
	" Hilde	1905	Osijek	"	son
	" Leo	1928	Beograd	"	daughter
105.	Hirschler Albert	1931	Zagreb	Yugoslav	wife
	" Olga	1933		"	son
	" Felix	1928			
106.	Hirschstritt Leo	1898	Vlaardingen	Poland	wife
107.	Hofner Martin	1912	Leipzig	"	
108.	Hofmann Julius	1885	Elberfeld	Germany	wife
	" Klara	1889	Leipzig	"	
109.	Hummel Chaim	1875	Wien	Austria	wife
	" Ruth	1902	Prievor	"	
110.	Idelsviad Gerda	1921	Wien	Austria	
111.	Jacob Charlotte	1887	Charkow	"	
112.	Jung Josef	1907	Amsterdam	CSR	wife
	" Lotte	1913	Klimpfe	"	
113.	Kahan Jenny	1894	Ulrat	Yugoslav	wife
	Fabrik	1930	Ulrat	"	son
	Ingrid	1927	Zagreb	"	daughter
	Bella	1926	Zagreb	"	

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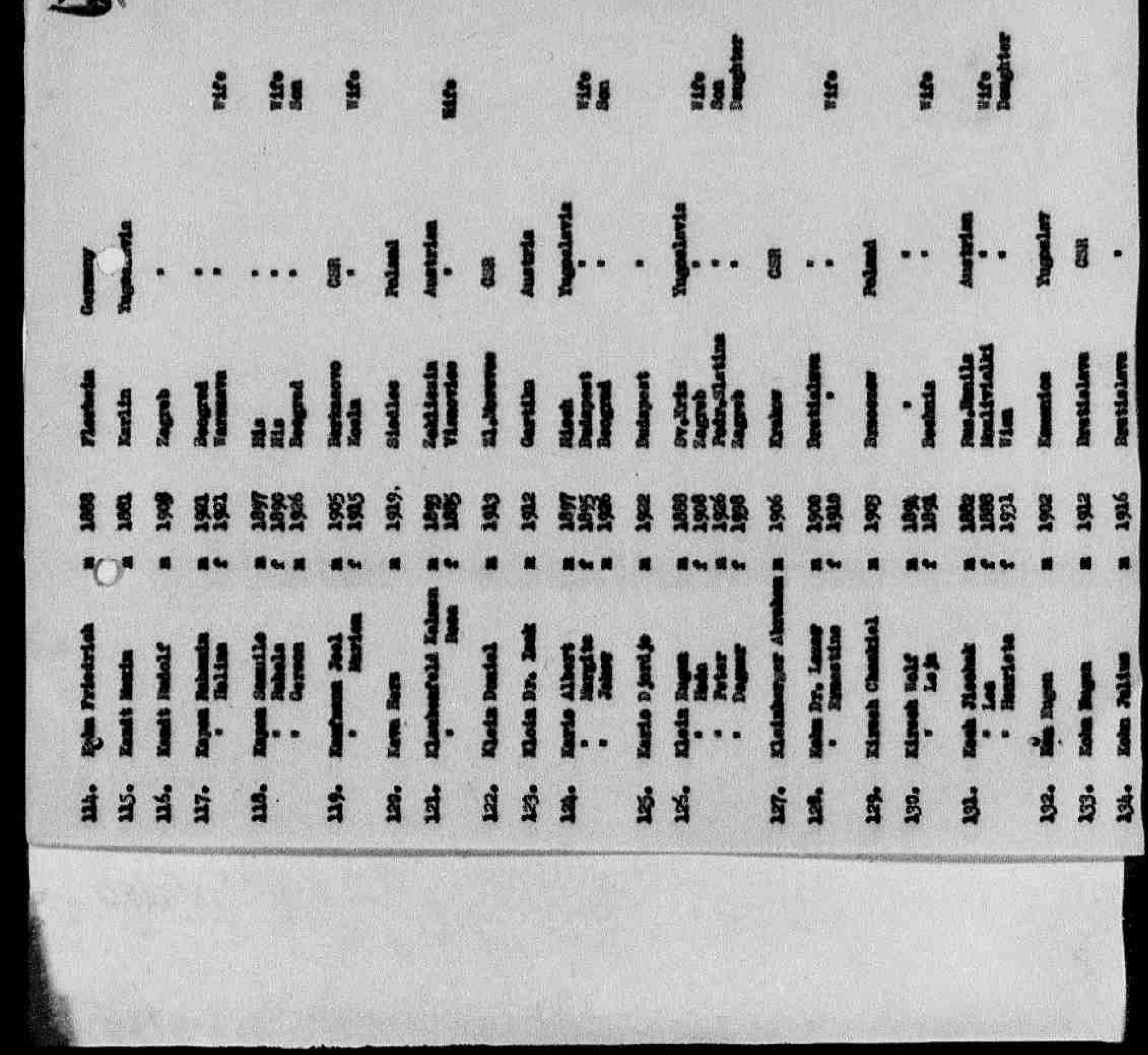

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I40	Kopolovic Sa[illegible]el	m	1916	Nagrovce	CSR	
I41	Krauzuer Alfred	m	1891	Nikolsburg	Austria	
	" Amalia	f	1890	Trancv	"	Wife
I42	Lachmann Wilhelm	m	1882	Sekursens	German	
I43	Landau Feiga	f	1894	Krakow	Poland	
I44	Landesmann Dora	f	1894	Roznjatev	"	
I45	Landshut Erna	f	1888	Goral	Germany	
I46	Laszlo Edmund	m	1914	Berlin	CSR	
I47	Lagfer Tibor	m	1914	Trnava	CSR	
I48	Lazar Avram	m	1923	Skopie	Yugoslav	
I49	Lachmann Jakob	m	1881	Myslovice	"	
	" Klementine	f	1887	Osijek	"	Wife
I50	Lautermann Jakob	m	1891	Berinia	Poland	
I51	Lebovits Anton	m	1909	Nizni Apsa	CSR	
	" Blanka	f	1907	Berehovo	"	Wife
	" Ladislav	m	1939	Bratislava	"	Son
	" Ernesto	m	1942	Cosenza	"	Son
I52	Lefkovits Mendel	m	1913	Benkovce	"	
I53	Leinerovits Andrej	m	1916	Michalovce	"	
I54	Levi David	m	1898	Bjelina	Yugoslav	
I55	Levitus Dr. Siegmund	m	1914	Tlumacz	Poland	
	" Bella	f	1919	Tlumacz	"	Wife
I56	Lemport Saul	m	1876	Stanislav	Austria	
	" Selde	f	1881	Roeznatov	Austria	
I57	Lewin Hirsch	m	1892	Czemiaswa	U.S.S.R.	
	" Rodla	f	1896	Pinsk	"	Wife
	" Renata	f	1935	Berlin	"	Daughter
I58	Lewin Lilli	f	1926	Berlin	"	Daughter
I59	Loeffler Etel	f	1885	Bratislava	CSR	
I60	Lichtschein Desider	m	1909	Kiralzhelmec	CSR	
	" Aranka	f	1907	Medasovce	"	Wife
	" Adrianna	f	1940	Bratislava	"	Daughter
I61	Lieverant Hersch	m	1918	Siedlce	Poland	

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I47	Lagfer Tibor	m	1914	Trnava	CSR	
I48	Lazar Avram	m	1923	Skopie	Yugoslav	
I49	Lachmann Jakob	m	1881	Myslovice	"	
	" Klementine	f	1887	Osijek	"	Wife
I50	Lautermann Jakob	m	1891	Borinia	Poland	
I51	Lebovits Anton	m	1909	Nizni Apsa	CSR	
	" Blanka	f	1907	Berehovo	"	Wife
	" Ladislav	m	1939	Bratislava	"	Son
	" Ernesto	m	1942	Cosenza	"	Son
I52	Lefkovits Mendel	m	1913	Benkovce	"	
I53	Leinerovits Andrej	m	1916	Michalovce	"	
I54	Levi David	m	1898	Bjelina	Yugoslav	
I55	Levitus Dr. Siegmund	m	1914	Tlumacz	Poland	
	" Bohra	f	1919	Tlumacz	"	Wife
I56	Lempert Saul	m	1876	Stanislav	Austria	
	" Selda	f	1881	Rozanatov	Austria	
I57	Lewin Hirsch	m	1892	Czemiasza	U.S.S.R.	
	" Rodla	f	1896	Pinsk	"	Wife
	" Renata	f	1935	Berlin	"	Daughter
I58	Lewin Lilli	f	1926	Berlin	"	Daughter
I59	Loeffler Etel	f	1885	Bratislava	CSR	
I60	Lichtschein Desider	m	1909	Kiralyhelmec	CSR	
	" Aranka	f	1907	Nedasovce	"	Wife
	" Adrianna	f	1930	Bratislava	"	Daughter
I61	Lieverant Hersch	m	1918	Siedlce	Poland	
I62	Loew Semias	m	1880	Berlin	Stateless	
	" Emma	f	1880	Schildberg	"	Wife
I63	Loewenfeld Dr. Walter	m	1880	Wien	Austria	
	" Karoline	f	1891	Drohobycz	"	Wife
I64	Loewi Nafali Herz	m	1881	Sokal	Poland	
I65	Lustig Eduard	m	1913	Bratislava	CSR	
	" Sophia	f	1924	Leipzig	"	Wife
I66	Maestro Elsa	f	1902	Bugojno	Yugoslav	
	" Mazalta	f	1927	Sarajevo	"	Daughter
	" Safira	f	1929	"	"	"

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168.	Hamza David	1902	Wife	Austria	Wien
169.	Hamza Dzemo Ilijas Ajka	1905 1944 1963	Wife Son Son	Serb	Zagreb Zagreb Zagreb
170.	Hanfstaengl Alexander	1895	Daughter	Germany	Munich
171.	Hanl Michael Leontine	1884 1954	Wife Daughter	Austria	Wien
172.	Hanisch Josef Ella	1912 1912	Wife Daughter	Czech	Zdikau
173.	Hallenstein Ambrosius Ernst Josef	1906 1957	Son Son	Yugoslav	Zagreb
174.	Hallenstein Hermine Lore Alexander	1885 1923	Wife Daughter	Germany	Munich
175.	Hamilton Count Richard Brenda Heather Richard	1906 1939 1957 1962 1935	Wife Daughter Son Son Son	Great Britain	London
176.	Hamilton Dr. Leonhard	1903	Wife	Germany	Berlin
177.	Hamilton Olga Nina	1896 1928	Wife Daughter	Russia	Petersburg
178.	Hamilton Dr. Josef Dr. Nina Paul	1904 1906 1935	Wife Daughter Son	Germany	Munich
179.	Hamid Lee	1893	Wife	China	Canton
180.	Hamilton Hermann Mary	1913 1914	Wife Daughter	Germany	Munich
181.	Hamilton Salomon Lea	1885 1889	Wife Daughter	Germany	Munich
182.	Hamilton Simon	1919	Wife	Germany	Munich
183.	Hamilton Zalman	1912	Wife	Poland	Pertchinsko
184.	Hamilton Rolf	1896	Wife	Poland	Pertchinsko
185.	Hamilton Samuel Anna Judith	1877 1910 1955	Wife Daughter Daughter	Yugoslav	Zagreb

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173.	Aschwerski Isabella	1912	Zichau	Czech	Wife
	Fuljan				
			Bystrzycka Lwowska Lubl		Daughter
174.	Hilscher Hermine	1905	Hilsch	Bulgaria	Wife
	Levi Alexander	1957	Burgas		Grand son
175.	Hamilton Josef Hlinka	1885	Hlinka	Yugoslav	Wife
	Pavlik	1953	Burgas		Son
	Hlinka				
	Hlinka				
176.	Hellinger Dr. Jerusalem	1906	Sofia	Bulgaria	Wife
		1969	Constantine		Son
177.	Hilscher Olga	1959	Sofia		
	Hlinka	1932	Sofia		Son
178.	Hilscher Dr. Josef	1935	Sofia		
	Dr. Hlinka				
	Pavlik				
179.	Hirsch Leo	1903	Przemysl	Poland	
180.	Hirschfeld Fany	1896	Rzeszow	Yugoslav	Wife
		1928	Zagreb		Daughter
181.	Hirschhorn Salomon	1904	Cracklorno		
	Lea	1968	Bojarvrsko		Wife
		1955	Zagreb		Daughter
182.	Hoffler Blum	1898	Zagreb		
183.	Hoffler Zelig	1913	Austrian	CSR	Wife
	Hoffler	1914	Vienna		
184.	Hoffler Alfred Wolf	1885	Bochnowl	Poland	Wife
		1889	Jablonica		
185.	Hoffmann Samuel	1919	Zvolen	CSR	
	Zvi				
	Judith				
	Hoffy	1912	Stanislo		
	Lea				
186.	Hofman Josef	1896	Perehinsko	Poland	
187.	Hofmannova Hermina	1897	Hagenbirth	Yugoslav	Wife
		1910	Leopold		Son
188.	Hofmann Bern	1955	Ingolstadt		Daughter
		1956			Son
189.	Hofmeister Jakob	1940			
190.	Hofmann Arthur	1894	Pultusk	Poland	
	Elsa	1896			
		1918	Mlawk	Poland	
		1908	Czernowitz	Poland	
		1897	Pilica	Poland	
		1921	Napoleon	USR	Wife
		1923	Berlin		Daughter
		1934	Cassens		

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Official Number	Name	Sex	Age	Birthplace	Nationality	Relation
191	Neuman Dezider		1909	Lucina	CSR	Wife
192	Neuman Ernst		1905	Dubiev		Son
	" Elsa		1899	Berlin		Wife
	Nagler Leopold		1928	Presov		
193	Neuman Frantisek		1920	St. Hrad		Wife
	" Zlata		1922	Sasova		Son
194	Neuman Ignats		1914	Solepuboeina	Yugoslav	Daughter
195	Hjentrovski Mihoo		1888	Zagreb		Wife
	" Terka		1895	Zagreb		Wife
	Schwarz Benjamin		1934	Zagreb		Wife
	Schwarz Vilko		1936	Zagreb		Wife
	Hjentrovski Nono		1877	Sibenik		Wife
196	" Rosa		1887	Kapetovac		Wife
197	Hjentrovski Boris		1922	Osijek		Daughter
	Hjentrovski Nelita		1925	Zagreb		Wife
198	Neuman Vilko		1917	Ivanjska		Wife
	" Zdenka		1919	Zagreb		Wife
	" Ela		1947	Split	Poland	Wife
199	Hecker Siegmund		1892	Koeln a.R.		Wife
	" Dora		1881	Breslau		Wife
200	Otto Dr. Moritz		1880	Bjelina	Yugoslav	Son
	" Karolina		1874	Tuzla		
201	Papo Albert		1902	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Sarina		1908	Zenica		Wife
	" Jozef		1926	Sarajevo		Nephew
	" David		1929			
	" Jakov		1932			
202	Papo Avram		1916	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Ziporah		1919	Petr.Slatina		Wife
	" Danko		1937	Sarajevo		Wife
203	Papo Dako		1912	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Estar		1912	Milenovici		Wife
204	Papo Isak		1911	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Rachela		1906	Zagreb		Daughter
205	Papo Filip		1915	Sarajevo		Niece
	" Blanka		1943	Split		Wife
	Finci Estika		1935	Sarajevo		Wife
206	Papo Jakob		1911	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Blanka		1913	Travnik		Wife
207	Perera Moss		1905	Sarajevo		Wife
	" Regina		1912	Travnik		Wife
208	Perl Alexander		1908	Budapest		Wife
	" Alice		1912	Stupava		Wife
209	Perl Siegmund		1912	Bratislava		Wife
	" Hedvig		1895			
210	Perlroth Albert		1902	Hamerak		Wife
211	Pistrevich Oskar		1919	Hlava		Son
	" Marica		1904	Lublan		Daughter
212	Pollak Otto		1904	Praha		
213	Pollo Branko		1903	Zagreb	Yugoslav	
	" Adela		1906	Sarajevo		
	" Dragutin		1933			
	" Mirjam		1936			

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	Name	Sex	Age	Birthplace	Nationality	Relationship
	Karl	m	1912	Bratislava	CSR	
	Ita	f	1915	Piestany	"	Wife
	Josef	m	1944	Ferramonti	"	Son
218	Prisant Salomon	m	1909	Majean	"	
219	Pundik James	m	1908	Berlin	Stateless	
220	Rado Andrea	m	1905	Kotoliba	Yugoslav	
	" Nada	f	1913	V.Zdenci	"	Wife
	" Kitty	f	1935	Zagreb	"	Daughter
221	Reich Lazar	m	1894	Klausena	Poland	
222	Reich Norman	m	1920	Szczyrk	Poland	
	" Herta	f	1917	Wasserauschlag	"	Wife
223	Remdalli Mladen	m	1924	Karlovac	Yugoslav	
	" Judit	f	1924	Beograd	"	Wife
224	Reichenthal Eugen	m	1909	Krusovce	CSR	
	" Edith	f	1917	Nadas	"	Wife
	" Robert	m	1938	Piestany	"	Son
225	Reviczcki Samuel	m	1913	Frankfurt	ex Russian	
226	Rehhan Marcus	m	1882	Mjiesrov	Poland	
227	Ringer Liber	m	1897	Gwiecsin	Poland	
228	Ring Hermann	m	1894	Przeczyal	Poland	
	" Elsa	f	1901	Wien	"	Wife
229	Rosenzweig Chajim	m	1886	Novosandec	"	
230	Rittermann Dr. Wilhelm	m	1886	Krakow	Austrian	
	" Mimi	f	1887	"	"	Wife
231	Romano Jakov	m	1910	Sarajevo	Yugoslv	
	" Berta	f	1911	"	"	Wife
	" Mirko	m	1938	"	"	Son
232	Romano Isidor	m	1917	"	"	
233	Romano Sara	f	1879	"	"	
234	Rosenbaum Elisabet	f	1911	Galany	CSR	
	" Alexander	m	1938	Nitra	"	Son
	" Mirjam	f	1939	Galany	"	Daughter
235	Rosenbaum Nikulas	m	1912	Budapest	"	
	" Gisella	f	1904	"	"	Wife
	" Luigi	m	1943	Cesenna	"	Son

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223	Rosenblüh	Elieser	1880	Bartenstein	Poland	Wife
	"	Judith	1917			
	Reichenthal	Regina	1924	Karlovac	Yugoslav	Wife
	"	Edith	1924	Beograd	"	
	"	Robert				
225	Rosenzweig	Samuel	1909	Krakowec	CSR	Wife
			1917	Nebla	"	Son
			1938	Plavkany	"	
226	Rubin	Markus	1913	Przemysl	ex Russian	
227	Ringer	Lilly	1882	Hlinnow	Poland	
228	Ring	Hermann	1897	Ovrlocnin	Poland	
	"	Ella	1894	Przemysl	Poland	Wife
			1921	Wien	"	
229	Rosenwig	Chaja	1888	Rozwadow	"	
230	Rittermann	Dr. Wilhelm	1886	Krakau	Austrian	Wife
	"	Hilde	1887	Krakau	"	
231	Rosalio	Julius	1910	Sarajevo	Yugoslav	Wife
	"	Berta	1911		"	Son
	"	Hilde	1938		"	
232	Romano	Zeidler	1917			
233	Romano	Sara	1879			
234	Rosenbaum	Elimelech	1911	Ostlaw	CSR	Son
	"	Alexander	1938	Hlohovec	"	
	"	Hirsch	1939	Ostlaw	"	Daughter
235	Rosenbaum	Nikolaus	1912	Budapest		Wife
	"	Gisella	1924	"		Son
	"	Ludgi	1943	Comenius		
236	Rosenberg	Leo	1880	Budapest	Austrian	
237	Roth	Alexander	1912	Lwow	CSR	Wife
	"	Edith	1920	Klosterschy	"	
	"	Judith	1941	Rot	"	Daughter
238	Rothman	Hersh	1895	Przemysl	Poland	
239	Rothmueller	Hirsch	1882	Dezinovo	Yugoslav	Wife
	"	Zorn	1888	Zagreb	"	

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240	Rosenwald	Isak	m	I905	Rasbiassov	Poland	
"		Eveline	f	I930	Wien	"	Daughter
241	Rubenfeld	Leib	m	I892	Przemysl	"	
242	Sechszahnus	Rafael	m	I887	Rzeszov	Austrian	
"		Malka	f	I884	Seret	"	Wife
243	Semakovlja	Otto	m	I916	Sarjevo	Yugoslav	
"		Klara	f	I913	Tuzla	"	Wife
"		Israel	m	I936	Sarajevo	"	Son
244	Schaechter	Isak Baruch	m	I919	Zaslu	CSR	
245	Schalk	Tibor	m	I904	Bubovka	CSR	
246	Schischa	Erich	m	I896	St. Veit	Austrian	
247	Schiller	Chaskiel	m	I882	Bendzin	Poland	
"		Frimeta	f	I890	Bendzin	"	Wife
"		Anna	f	I929	Fuerth	"	Daughter
248	Schlesinger	Leopold	m	I904	Bary	CSR	
249	Schneider	Kurt	m	I895	Wien	Austrian	
250	Schoenfeld	Moses	m	I870	V.Sevlus	CSR	
"		Bella	f	I888	Marsava	"	Wife
251	Schwarz	Ernst	m	I912	Radvan	"	
252	Schwarz	Jakob	m	I880	Czyviecin	Poland	
253	Schreiber	Dragutin	m	I884	Martinsac	Yugoslav	
"		Anna	f	I899	Wien	"	Wife
254	Seinwell	Adolf	m	I918	Straaky	CSR	
255	Seinwell	Ignatz	m	I902	Kris. Ves	?	
256	Seinwell	Leopold	m	I913	Straaky	"	
257	Sichermann	Alexander	m	I915	Berehovo	"	
258	Sichermann	Max	m	I913	Berehovo	"	
"		Toni	f	I922	Leipzig	"	Wife
259	Sinkovits	Moses	m	I918	Trnovo	"	
260	Singer	Isak	m	I893	Saskovo	Poland	
"		Laura	f	I898	Radsno	"	Wife
261	Skopal	Dr. Ernst	m	I898	Loschitz	CSR	
"		Fanni	f	I906	Eled	"	Wife
			m	I936	Holasky	"	Son

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245	Schalk	Tibor	m	1904	Babovka	CSR	
246	Schischa	Erich	m	1896	St. Veit	Austrian	
247	Schiller	Chaskiel	m	1882	Bendzin	Poland	
	"	Frimeta	f	1890	Bendzin	"	Wife
	"	Anna	f	1929	Fuerth	"	Daughter
248	Schlesinger	Leopold	m	1884	Bary	CSR	
249	Schneider	Kurt	m	1895	Wien	Austrian	
250	Schoenfeld	Moses	m	1870	V.Sevlus	CSR	
	"	Beila	f	1868	Uhrsava	"	Wife
251	Schwarz	Ernst	m	1912	Radvan	"	
252	Schwarz	Jakob	m	1880	Oswiecim	Poland	
253	Schreiber	Dragutin	m	1884	Martinsec	Yugoslav	
	"	Anna	f	1899	Wien	"	Wife
254	Seinwell	Adolf	m	1918	Stransky	CSR	
255	Seinwell	Ignatz	m	1902	Kris. Ves	?	
256	Seinwell	Leopold	m	1913	Stransky	"	
257	Sichermann	Alexander	m	1915	Berehove	"	
258	Sichermann	Max	m	1913	Berehove	"	
	"	Toni	f	1922	Leipzig	"	Wife
259	Siskovits	Moses	m	1918	Trnovo	"	
260	Singer	Isak	m	1893	Saskove	Poland	
	"	Laura	f	1898	Radzue	"	Wife
261	Skopal	Dr. Ernst	m	1898	Leschitz	CSR	
	"	Fanni	f	1906	Hlsd	"	Wife
	"	Paul	m	1936	Malasky	"	Son
262	Sommerfeld	Desider	m	1911	Serfia	"	
263	Sorger	Hermann	m	1896	Daruvar	Yugoslav	
	"	Zora	f	1906	Nova Gradiska	"	Wife
	"	Velimir	m	1929	Zagreb	"	Son
264	Spicer	Ing.Alfred	m	1899	Dugurese	"	
	"	Olga	f	1907	Osijek	"	Wife
	"	Neda	f	1930	Zagreb	"	Daughter
	"	Raoul	m	1933	Zagreb	"	Son
	Kohn	Vilma	f	1888	Orehovica	"	Mother in Law

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265	Spiegel	Alexander	m	1921	Bratislava	CSR	
"	"	Klara	f	1920	Presov	"	Wife
266	Spiegel	Moritz	m	1920	Nove Davidkovo	"	
"	"	Blima Bella	f	1919	Ilok	"	Wife
267	Steinberg	Isak	m	1888	Lubaczow	Poland	
268	Steinberger	Henk Erich	m	1914	Ratibor	German	
269	Steiner	Siegmund	m	1906	Fornosek	CSR	
"	"	Katica	f	1911	Bratislava	"	Wife
270	Sternfeld	Vitomir	m	1883	Koprivnica	Yugoslav	
"	"	Ruza	f	1890	Dunafeldvar	"	Wife
271	Teichmann	Markus	m	1883	Kosowa	Poland	
"	"	Anna	f	1878	Selotvina	"	Wife
272	Tobolski	Marian	m	1912	Lodz	Yugoslav	
"	"	Halina	f	1912	Lodz	"	Wife
	Novitarger	Mirjam	f	1935	Telaviv	Palestine	
273	Trasser	Hugo	m	1900	Svinov	CSR	
274	Trichter	Dr. David	m	1882	Cernovice	Austrian	
"	"	Malvine	f	1895	Wien	"	Wife
275	Ungar	Josef	m	1912	Nitra	CSR	
276	Wachsberger	Bruno	m	1885	Poremba	CSR	
"	"	Meta	f	1891	Berlin	"	Wife
277	Wald	Hermann	m	1911	Trebisov	"	
"	"	Piroska	f	1914	V. Sevlus	"	Wife
"	"	Alexander	m	1943	Ferrasenti	"	Son
278	Weinberg	Hans	m	1917	Wien	Austrian	
279	Weinberg	Wilhelm	m	1871	Wien	"	
"	"	Marie	f	1882	Brunn	"	Wife
280	Weingarten	Eugen	m	1913	Pasaka	CSR	
"	"	Josefine	f	1912	Slatina	"	Wife
"	"	Zeev	m	1940	Rodi	"	Son
"	"	Eva	f	1943	Cosenza	"	Daughter
281	Weinberger	Emilie	f	1882	Koebocrkut	Austrian	
282	Weinberger	Dr. Ignats	m	1901	Hanusovce	CSR	
"	"	Erika	f	1909	Leher	"	Wife
283	Weinberger	Josef	m	1888	Dukla	Austria	
284	Werner	Bernhard	m	1895	Stanislav	Poland	
"	"	Pauline	f	1901	Storojinetz	"	Wife

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	" Anna	f	1890	Dunafeldvar	"	Wife
271	Teichmann Markus	m	1883	Kosova	Poland	
	" Anna	f	1878	Selotvina	"	Wife
272	Tobolski Marian	m	1912	Lodz	Yugoslav	
	" Halina	f	1912	Lodz	"	Wife
	Novitarger Mirjam	f	1935	TelAviv	Palestine	
273	Tramer Hugo	m	1900	Svinov	CSR	
274	Trichter Dr. David	m	1882	Cernovice	Austrian	
	" Malvine	f	1895	Wien	"	Wife
275	Ungar Josef	m	1912	Nitra	CSR	
276	Wachsberger Bruno	m	1885	Poremba	CSR	
	" Meta	f	1891	Berlin	"	Wife
277	Wald Hermann	m	1911	Trebisov	"	
	" Piroska	f	1914	V. Sevlus	"	Wife
	" Alexander	m	1943	Ferrazonti	"	Son
278	Weinberg Hans	m	1917	Wien	Austrian	
279	Weinberg Wilhelm	m	1871	Wien	"	
	" Maria	f	1882	Brunn	"	Wife
280	Weingarten Eugen	m	1913	Paseka	CSR	
	" Josefine	f	1912	Slatina	"	Wife
	" Zeev	m	1940	Rodi	"	Son
	" Eva	f	1943	Cesena	"	Daughter
281	Weinberger Emilie	f	1882	Kosbosrkut	Austrian	
282	Weinberger Dr. Ignatz	m	1901	Hanusovce	CSR	
	" Erika	f	1909	Leher	"	Wife
283	Weinberger Josef	m	1888	Dukla	Austria	
284	Werner Bernhard	m	1895	Stanislav	Poland	
	" Pepi	f	1901	Storojineti	"	Wife
	Presser Noemi	f	1941	Rodi	CSR	Child
285	Weiser Salamon	m	1910	Sp.H. Ves.	CSR	
	" Ludovika	f	1889	St. Johann	"	Wife
286	Weiss Aladar	m	1913	Bratislava	"	
	" Hedvig	f	1920	Budapest	"	Wife

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287	Weiss Max	m	1886	Dubove	CSR	
	" Isabella	f	1887	Mar.Lesne	CSR	Wife
288	Weiss Moritz	m	1916	Dol. Michalany	CSR	
289	Weiss Ewald	m	1921	Bratislava	"	
	" Erna	f	1913	Berlin	"	
290	Weiss Max	m	1890	Wien	Austrian	
	" Rohms Rosa	f	1888	Warszawa	"	Wife
291	Weiss Salomon	m	1919	Novoselice	CSR	
	" Ruth	f	1927	Regensburg	"	Wife
292	Wesel Oskar	m	1906	Recisdorf	"	
	" Hermine	f	1912	Eger	"	Wife
	" Josef	m	1943	Cesenna	"	Son
293	Willinger Benjamin	m	1915	Cejkov	"	
	" Valeria	f	1923	Trnava	"	Wife
294	Winkler Ludwig	m	1916	Medzilaborce	"	
	" Cila	f	1919	Bucany	"	Wife
	" Georg	m	1942	Ferrarenti	"	Son
295	Wittenberg Salman	f	1878	Neumarkt	Germany	
296	Woener Erwin	m	1922	Bratislava	CSR	
297	Wulkan Jakob	m	1913	Osvieczin	CSR	
	" Berta	f	1917	Berdejov	"	Wife
298	Wulkan Walter	m	1914	Mar. Ostrava	"	
	" Lea	f	1917	Mukacevo	"	Wife
299	Zylberman Josef	m	1897	Plock	Poland	
300	Zylberberg Jankiel	m	1906	Wazevikl	"	
	" Sarah	f	1904	Sarendi	"	Wife
	" Justina	f	1930	Trieste	"	Daughter
	" Elde Pachela	f	1933	Trieste	"	"

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ANNEX "B"

ITALY
TRAVEL CARD

CARD No. 271

EMIGRATION TO PALESTINE

Date 27 Mar 44

Of Jewish refugees who have been in the charge of the Allied Control Commission, C.M.F.

BEARER IS HEAD OF FAMILY.

NAME.	SEX	M or S	YEAR OF BIRTH.
ABRANAVEL Rafael	m	m	1920

DEPENDENTS

NAME	SEX	M or S	BIRTH	RELATIONSHIP
~~m~~ RAHELA	f	m	1922	wife

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Name of bearer is on list sent to the Palestine Government under No. 1 (one)

Date 27 Mar 44

Place Bari

Signed C. Heathcote Smith
RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE
INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES.

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No.....1.5.5.....

Date....27.Mar.44

ANNEX "C"

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.
C. M. F.

IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE.

Receipt for Lire or other Occupational Currency.

Received from Immigrant. } ABRANAVEL Rafael
Print Name.

Occupational Lire.....

Italian Lire.....

Other Occupational Currency..... 4587

I unreservedly accept for the above mentioned currency whatever compensation the A.C.C. may decide.

Signed..R. Abranavel

Date..27.V.44. Place..Bari.

The Palestine Authorities will in due course hand to the immigrant the sum in compensation that the A.C.C. will indicate.

Signed.....

Rank & Title..R.A.F.C.

Date....27.Mar.44 Place..Bari.

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ADJUTANT

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED TODAY FROM MIDEAST 4586

PAREN TO DISPER BARI FOR HEATHCOTE DASH SMITH FROM ACC MAIN PAREN

NUMBER ZERO THREE ZERO EIGHT NINE DATED ONE EIGHT MAY PD BEGINS PD

HOWARD WRIGGINS DUE NAPLES EVENING ONE NINE OR MORNING TWO ZERO

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HEADQUARTERS
10 MAY 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
MAY 1944

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LOUIS T. MONTANT Jr.
Lt. Col. A.G.D.
Adjutant

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HEATHCOTE SMITH HOWARD WRIGGINS DUE NAPLES EVENING 19
OR MORNING 20MAY AFHQ [redacted] F43020 OF 10MAY REFERS - 182000
BT
SENT NR 12 0935B JS AR
RECD NR 12 0935 SJM

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FATIMA (Civil Affairs Branch) 13 May 1944.

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AMEMB 4584

IN REPLY TO YOUR FOX FOUR FOUR ZERO TWO CBX OF ONE ZERO MAY REGARDING PRISONER ABDELMAJID UKIT PD FATIMA TO AMEMB FOR MESS FROM ACO MAIN PARTY PD. AM ASKING SIR CLIFFORD HEATHCOTE SMITH'S RETURN FROM RAU WITH DEFINITE PROPOSALS PD ON RECEIPT WILL LET YOU KNOW FURTHER

Info
Sir C. Heathcote-Smith.
(on return)

B/U 15/5 Noted
Again 29/5

L. T. HERBERT, JR.
1st Lt. AUS.
ADJUTANT.

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Lt Col Smith

This is the result of your minute at 135 + D.C instructions at 136.

Will you now clear with E.C. as to further instructions re Friends Ambulance unit pl.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MAY

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From	FREEDOM SIGNED CINC	Cite	FHMGS
To	ACC MAIN FOR LUSH AND HEATHCOTE SMITH OF IGCR		

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APPROVAL GIVEN REPRESENTATION BOTH AMERICAN SOCIETY OF FRIENDS AND JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE IN ITALY UNDER CONTROL ACC, REFER YOUR 4266 OF 4 MAY, SUBJECT SUCH DIRECTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AS YOU MAY APPOINT. HARTLEY ND FRIENDS SHOULD LEAVE FOR NAPLES BY AIR BY END WEEK. PERLMAN OF J D C NOW ON TOUR BUT EXPECT LEAVE FOR NAPLES BY AIR ABOUT 16 MAY. ETA BOTH WILL BE NOTIFIED.

APPROVAL ALSO GIVEN SUBJECT YOUR AGREEMENT REPRESENTATION BRITISH FRIENDS AMBULANCE UNIT ON SAME CONDITIONS AS FOR AMERICAN FRIENDS AND JDC. FURTHER MESSAGE IN THIS REGARD MENTIONED IN YOUR CABLE UNDER REFERENCE NOT RECEIVED.

HAVE CALLED MIDEAST SEND WRIGGINS OF AMERICAN FRIENDS TO NAPLES SOONEST.

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From AFHQ SIGNED CINC
To MIDEAST FOR UNRRA FOR MATHEWS RPTD ACC MAIN FOR LUSH AND HEATHCOTE SMITH OF IGCR

Date / Time Rec'd : 11 MAY 1944
Date / Time Sent 101738 B
Reference NR : F44020
Cite : FHMS

APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN OPERATION AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE (AMERICAN SOCIETY OF FRIENDS) IN ITALY UNDER CONTROL OF ACC. AS ARRANGED BY PATRICK MALIN VICE DIRECTOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES REQUEST YOU DISPATCH HOWARD WRIGGINS OF FRIENDS TO NAPLES SOONEST WITH ORDERS TO REPORT TO HEATHCOTE SMITH RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IGCR WITH ACC. ETA NAPLES SHOULD BE NOTIFIED TO ACC MAIN FOR LUSH AND HEATHCOTE SMITH IN ADVANCE. KIMBERLAND OF FRIENDS HERE INFORMED

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FROM HEATHCOTE SMITH FOR WRIGGINS PD PAREN FOR BTE FOR OCFAU MEF FROM FATIMA FROM HEATHCOTE SMITH PAREN PD YOUR UNNUMBERED OF SIX MAY PD MY FOUR TWO SIX SEVEN OF FIVE MAY TO MIDEAST REFERS PD SPECIAL AUTHORISATION YOUR ENTRY ALREADY OBTAINED HERE BUT AFHQ MUST CONFIRM PD THEREFORE PROCEED IMMEDIATE VIA ALGIERS UNLESS AFHQ HAS ALREADY CONFIRMED AND DIRECT PASSAGE IS QUICKER

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MY THREE EIGHT ZERO FOUR OF TWO FIVE APRIL PD PARRY TO AMB FOR MCG FROM ACC MAIN PARTY PD AFTER DISCUSSION AGREE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF FRIENDS AND JEWISH DISTRIBUTION BOARD SHOULD SEND REPRESENTATIVES HERE PD WILL WIRE LATER REGARDING FRIENDS AMBULANCE PD PLEASE ASK MIDEAST TO SEND WRIGGINS AND ARRANGE PASSAGES HARTLEY AND PERLMAN

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TO : The Executive Commissioner:

Reference File 73/CA (Displaced Persons)

I.G.C.R. and entry of :

(a) American Society of Friends (2 representatives) and
(b) Jewish Distribution Board (1 ") and
(c) British Friends Ambulance Unit (numbers unspecified)

Your VAPOUR 165 to FREEDOM (page 137)

In view of our conversation this morning with Mr. Jefferson, I should be glad if a telegram could now be sent to Algiers:

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Suggest reply: (i) Requesting all facilities for A and B to come here as soon as possible : (ii) that reply will be sent shortly regarding C

CAB I agree. Please send telegram C. Heathcote-Smith

MAJESTY'S

THE INTER - GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES

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2 May 1944.

1. I had a very full and frank talk with Mr.Jefferson, head of the American Red Cross, with Major Kinght acting head of the British Red Cross also present.

2. EXTENT OF FUNCTIONS OF THE I.G.C.R.

(a) Mr Jefferson's understandings

Mr Jefferson stated it had been understood from Mr Malin in February 1944 that the I.G.C.R. functions here would be limited to political action in connection with the settlement of Stateless Refugees.

What functional necessity therefore was there for any assistants from the Jewish Distribution Board (J.D.B.) the American Friends Service Committee (A.F.S.C.) or the Friends Ambulance Unit ?

(b) The actual Mandate of the I.G.C.R.

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c. the tasks which will embrace (1) questions relating to nationality, identity papers, rights and obligations

(ii) questions relating to employment

(iii) collection of information regarding individual industrials resources, qualifications etc.

(iv) Welfare work, outside physical relief, on the psychological side (tracing relatives, educational, retraining etc.)

(v) Organisation of any voluntary effort to help these refugees (all "case" work falls on voluntary refugees bodies, such as the American Friends Service Committee)

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Further that this static condition of the Displaced Persons problem today was abnormal; with our next advance northwards, the whole work would need many more helpers than existed at present. We were not touching the purely Red Cross side, and that our mandate could not be carried on without adequate personnel.

4. Conclusion.

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Mr. Jefferson, Major Knight and I agreed we could and would all carry on our respective work in the friendliest and most understanding cooperation, and would doubtless beeble to settle rapidly and amicably questions where our respective writs appeared both to run.

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Ch. Heathcote-Smith

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FROM MIDEAST MINSTATE 2812000
TO ADNAP
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96275 CONFIDENTIAL FOLLOWING FOR HEATECOTE SMITH INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE REFUGEES FROM WRIGGINS FOLLOWING THEIR CONSULTATIONS WITH MALIN AFSC PHILADELPHIA
CONFIRMS MY APPOINTMENT AFSC DELEGATE ATTACHED IGCR YOUR OFFICE READY

TRAVEL ARE YOU MAKING NECESSARY TRAVEL

ARRANGEMENTS AND AUTHORITIES YOUR END CABLE FROM YOU REQUESTING MY IMMEDIATE MOVEMENT PREFERABLY VIA ALGIERS WOULD EXPEDITE PRIORITY

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PATIMA (Civil Affairs Spanish) 25 April 1944.

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FROM [redacted]

LETTER MISS GEORGE SUGARMAN [redacted] THREE POINT SEVEN APRIL ONE NINE PD PAPER TO MISS FOR MRS FROM PATIMA PARSE PD DISCUSSING WITH JEFFERSON AND PD PRIVER ENTER NO INTRAT NO CONSIDERED UNTIL SIGN HEADQUOTE SMITH AND LEAVE LIGHT HIS WORK

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L.T. [redacted], Jr.
[redacted] Lt., USNR

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C.A.B.

Thank you for a very lucid minute.

Action.

(a) Arrange meeting with Mr Jeffreys A.R.C. to discuss letter from A.F.H.Q.

(b) Give A.F.H.Q. acknowledgment stating that we are discussing with ARC and would prefer not to commit ourselves until we have seen Heathcote Smith and know exactly when his work begins and ends.

MS/24/4/44

Major D.W.
M. Send a wire on these lines -
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SUBJECT: Red Cross Bodies.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

1. AFHQ have suggested representation of three more Red Cross Bodies in this theatre (folios 39 - 44), in a long letter which I am afriad you will have to read.

2. A brief summary is that Mr. Malin (IGCR) advises the acceptance of certain other Red Cross organisations, since the British and American Red Cross are at present fully occupied with relief for Italians and might not be capable of dealing with the problems occasioned by future operations. Present policy of excluding Allied Red Cross organisations excepting British and American should remain in force. You are asked to comment on the following three organisations:—

(a) American Joint Distribution Committee.

This organisation operates solely in relation to Jews. It is suggested that one member of JDC should work either under the auspices of the resident representative with IGCR, or directly attached to this HQ.

(b) The American Society of Friends.

This organisation would apparently engage in general relief work with displaced persons and refugees, and presumably therefore on the same lines as the American and British Red Cross.

(c) The British Friends Ambulance Unit.

As regards this unit AFHQ refer to your previous two letters in December (flagged "A" and "C" in file 229). You are asked to state what types of unit you particularly require, Mobile Canteens, Ambulance Units etc.

Folio 42

3. A telegram from Freedom sent two days after the letter states that Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith considers the representation of (a) and (b) above are "indispensable for his work" and desires that if accepted they should work under his auspices. He would also "much welcome "representation of (c) working under his general auspices". Mr. Malin entirely agrees. Certain names are proposed of representatives, some of whom are now in Algiers where Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith is also delayed.

4. There are certain proposals about a Mr. Howard Wriggins in para.5 of the letter in which it is hinted that you may not wish to accept the officer of his services.

5. Finally it is suggested that you may wish to discuss the matter generally with the resident representative.

may wish

6. I suggest that you send a copy of AFHQ's letter to the resident representative, with a covering letter suggesting a time for discussion. It would appear that unless he has strong objections, that the offer of the services of these bodies should be accepted in view of the consideration mentioned above, i.e. future operations.

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24.April.44

G.W.I.SHIFF,
Lieut.Col.

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MSG Center No	: 31/21	Date/Time Rec'd	: 21/1635
Classification	: CONFIDENTIAL	Date/Time Sent	: 21/0228
Precedence	: NONE	Reference NR	: F35311
From	: FREEDOM SIGNED CINC	Cite	: FHMGS
To	: FATIMA		

HEATHCOTE SMITH DELAYED HERE. REF YOUR 3215 OF 13 APRIL. ETD 26 APRIL.

HIS VIEWS ON PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN OUR MGS 383.7 OF 19 APRIL AS FOLLOWS. (A) CONSIDERS REPRESENTATION AMERICAN SOCIETY OF FRIENDS AND JDC INDISPENSABLE FOR HIS WORK AND DESIRES IF ACCEPTED THEY SHOULD FUNCTION UNDER HIS AUSPICES. WOULD ALSO MUCH WELCOME REPRESENTATION FRIENDS AMBULANCE UNIT WORKING UNDER HIS GENERAL AUSPICES. (B) MALIN, VICE DIRECTOR IGCR, IN ENTIRE AGREEMENT THESE VIEWS. (C) IF ABOVE AGREED WOULD PROPOSE HOWARD WRIGGINS AND DAVID HARTLEY OF AMERICAN FRIENDS, AND MAX PERLMAN OF JDC. LATTER 2 NOW IN ALGIERS.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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MGS-383.7

19 April 1944

SUBJECT: Representation of the American Joint Distribution Committee, and of British and American Quaker Organisations in Italy.

Copy given to Lt Col Fothergill. 29/4

TO : HQ Allied Control Commission
Attention MG and RC Section (3 copies).

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1. During his visit to Algiers, enroute to the United States, we had the opportunity of discussing with Mr. Patrick Malin, Vice-Director of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees (IGCR), the question of civilian relief in Italy. We have also received from Mr. Malin copies of his reports to you of 18 and 19 February, his report to the Director of the Committee dated 24 February, and of your memorandum to him of 22 February. Mr. Malin, whilst in agreement with the policy that civilian relief should continue to be dispensed without discrimination as to nationality or religious belief, and that only those relief or welfare agencies for whom there is a functional need should be represented in Italy, gave it as his opinion that there might be advantages in increasing, within the terms of the policy as stated, the number of such agencies at present represented. He also suggested that were this proposal to be adopted you might consider it advisable that certain agencies should work under the auspices of the Resident Representative of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees who is to be attached to your headquarters.

2. The problem of civilian relief in Italy may most conveniently be reviewed by dividing those persons in need of relief into two main groups, i.e. Italians, whether displaced or resident, and all other categories. It is appreciated that many of the resident Italians are in as much need as any category or nationality of refugees and displaced persons, and that to their numbers must be added approximately 50,000 Italians who have already been displaced by reason of military operations, and a further increase, which was at one time some 10,000 or more per month, and when the military situation is again

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fluid may reach even larger figures. It is our understanding that the magnitude and urgency of this aspect of the general relief problem has resulted in the greater part of the facilities and attention of the combined American and British Red Cross being devoted to its solution. Mr. Jefferson, the Director of the American Red Cross Relief Division in Italy, reported recently that of the sixty trained workers available to the combined Red Cross, fifty were assigned to duties in connection with the dispensation of relief to Italians.

3. To turn to those persons, other than Italians, who are in need of relief. Information available in this Headquarters indicates that in respect of the Belgian, Dutch, French, Greek, Norwegian, and Russian displaced persons the general rule is that there are either none at all or very few, and that those few are adequately cared for by their National Missions with assistance easily provided by your Headquarters. Similarly, the Polish and Czechoslovak Missions are understood to be looking after their displaced nationals, although the Polish Mission is thought to be unlikely to assume responsibility for Polish Jews, many of whom have been long absent from Poland. It is therefore considered that because of the absence of any numbers of Allied Nationals in Italy, other than Yugoslavs, the present policy excluding Allied Red Cross organisations, excepting the British and American, should remain in force as there is not sufficient functional need to justify their representation. This policy is being represented to the Combined Chiefs of Staff for confirmation. Regarding representation of the Yugoslav Red Cross. As the majority of Yugoslav Nationals in Italy are Partisan adherents no useful purpose would be served in allowing the representation of the Royal Yugoslav Red Cross, whilst as the Partisan Movement has no organised Red Cross but already has representatives assisting in the welfare of their followers the question of Partisan representation does not arise.

4. It remains to consider whether the representation of any other Allied relief or welfare agencies, whose work would be complementary to but co-ordinated with the combined American British Red Cross, might be justified, and you are asked to state your views with regard to the American Joint Distribution Committee (a Jewish agency), the American Society of Friends (Quakers), and the British Friends Ambulance Unit (also Quakers). These three organisations have all applied for permission to send representatives to Italy, and in the event that you should agree we would be prepared to advise the Supreme Allied Commander to permit their entry. Our views in respect of these organisations which, it is considered, could fulfill functional purposes, are as follows.

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a American Joint Distribution Committee (JDC)

This organisation operates solely in relation to Jews. The suggestion was previously made that it should be represented in Italy and your cable PBS 9477 (Cite FARGO 1297) of 25 February refers in this regard. It is realised that the JDC would not operate without discrimination in its relief activities, but it may be that you would be of the opinion that if its activities were coordinated by the Resident Representative of the IGCR, and were to be related to the work of the Jewish Agency in facilitating the evacuation of Jews from Italy, any suggestion that discrimination would be shown in favour of Jewish refugees could be countered on two points, viz-

i. That primarily the continuing task of the Allied Control Commission in caring for refugees will be in respect of Jews who are stateless in law or in fact, and who present a special problem calling for expert assistance by an agency fully versed in the Jewish problem. In this connection we would inform you that preliminary contacts with the French authorities indicate that negotiations for the transfer of Jewish refugees (other than from Spain) to Fedala, near Casablanca, may be protracted and that there is no guarantee of their successful conclusion.

ii. That, since the dispensation of all relief is coordinated, care will be taken to ensure that preference is not shown to Jews, and that any relief directly provided by the JDC will be offset to other groups by relief dispensed by agencies other than the JDC.

If you agree that the JDC should be represented it is suggested that one member of the organisation working either under the auspices of the Resident Representative of the IGCR or directly attached to your Headquarters, would be adequate. IX

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b. The American Society of Friends.

This organisation desires that a small delegation of its members should enter Italy for relief work in connection with displaced persons and refugees. Members of the delegation, which might initially be limited to two including the individual mentioned in para 5,

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would wish to visit camps, and to report to interested committees with regard to relief requirements, matters relative to evacuation or repatriation, and other questions concerning the welfare of such persons. The Society would be prepared to provide funds, clothing, and supplies and it is thought that its representatives would perform a functional purpose and that their activities could be co-ordinated with the work done by the combined American and British Red Cross, who we understand to be operating primarily in connection with the Italian relief problem.

c British Friends Ambulance Unit.

It was suggested previously that this organisation should be permitted to take part in civilian relief work in Italy, as vide your memoranda AMG/41/7 of 11 December 1943, and AMG/510/25 of 29 December 1943. As you are aware of the form of assistance which this organisation could provide further details are unnecessary, but it is requested that, if you recommend that it should be represented in Italy, you will indicate what scale and types of unit are particularly required, i.e., mobile canteens, ambulance units, etc.

5. Both Mr. Malin and Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith of the IGCR have raised the question of the provision of an assistant to the latter, and have suggested a Mr. Howard Wriggins of the American Society of Friends who has experience of civilian relief in the Middle East under MERRA. It is understood that Mr. Wriggins is now in Cairo and that MERRA have agreed to his release after the end of April. You may feel that it would not be advisable to appoint Mr. Wriggins to assist the Resident Representative of the IGCR if you do not agree that the American Society of Friends should be represented in Italy. No doubt you will wish to discuss this matter with the Resident Representative, and in case you should wish to show him this letter an additional copy is forwarded herewith.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Chief of Section.

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Copy to:-
I.S. & P.S.
The Office of the British Resident Minister.
The Office of the American Minister.

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FREEDOM F 31363 of 12 ap.

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What is all the excitement? Anything the delay?

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From	: FREEDOM SCD CINC	Cite	: FHEGS
To	: FATIMA		

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Ref: 73/116/ca

11th April 1946.

SUBJECT: Displaced Persons.

TO : Political Section.

1. Displaced Persons Sub-Commission has been under aegis of E.C. and W.C. Section since 1st February.

2. Telegrams on this file of February have come to my notice today for first time. I think we must effect better co-ordination than this!

3. Telegram of 5th April should have been sent to me for action. As it is it has laid without action for 4 days and has duly earned telegram of 8th April.

4. Urgent Answers to telegram of 5th April should be:

(a) Confirm Monthcote Smith's appointment acceptable.

(b) Proposal acceptable provided Monthcote Smith will look after him.

(c) Glad to ship 2000 to Palestine. Move of remainder to Casablanca acceptable provided conditions in French camps tolerable.

5. Do you agree?

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : M31/08
Classification : CONFIDENTIAL
Precedence : PRIORITY
From : FREEDOM SGD CINC
To : FATIMA

Date / Time Rec'd : 081430
Date / Time Sent : 081145
Reference NR : F29228
Cite : FWGS

REQUEST EARLY REPLY TO OUR MESSAGE. REFERENCE OUR F27287 OF 4 APRIL. WE UNDERSTAND FROM COPY OF LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MALIN OF 22 FEBRUARY THAT YOU HAD ALREADY AGREED POINT (A), AND THAT POINTS (B) AND (C) AND REMOVAL OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM ITALY WERE DISCUSSED WITH HIM. MALIN NOW DEPARTED FOR WASHINGTON BUT UNDERSTAND HE REFERRED QUESTION OF APPOINTMENT SMITH TO YOU WHEN FORMER WAS IN CAIRO AND WARNED THAT SMITH WOULD ARRIVE ABOUT 1 APRIL. SMITH NOW WAITS HERE AND WE CANNOT PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR CONFIRMATION

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FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED CINC

CITE : FWD

TO : FATUSA

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SUBJECT IS DISPLACED PERSONS IN ITALY, PRIMARILY JEWS. HAVE DISCUSSED PROBLEMS WITH MALIN, VICE DIRECTOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES, WHO IS NOW IN ALGIERS EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON AND HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY STUDY HIS REPORTS TO YOU OF 18 AND 19 FEBRUARY, ALSO HIS REPORT OF 24 FEBRUARY TO DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE COPY OF WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS HELD BY HQC. YOUR VIEWS REQUESTED ON FOLLOWING POINTS AS MATTERS OF URGENCY. OTHER POINTS ARISING WILL BE SUBJECT SEPERATE LETTER. (A) PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR AGREEMENT TO PROPOSAL BY MALIN THAT SIR CLIFFORD HEATHCOTE-SMITH, LATELY CONSUL-GENERAL, ALEXANDRIA, BE APPOINTED RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN ITALY OF INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES, AND THAT HE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTERS ACC, SMITH NOW IN ALGIERS AND WE AWAIT YOUR APPROVAL BEFORE ARRANGING MOVEMENT TO ITALY.

(B) PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT MAKE SELECTION A CONDITION PRECEDENT TO IMMIGRATION AND PRO-POSE SENDING TEMPORARILY TO ITALY UNDER AUSPICES OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY WITH FULL POWERS TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES. TRANSFER OF JEWISH REFUGEES FROM ITALY PRIOR TO SELECTION IMPOSSIBLE AS MIDEAST REFUSE ACCEPT ANY SUCH PERSONS EXCEPT THOSE IN TRANSIT WITH CERTIFICATES. DO YOU AGREE PROPOSAL.

(C) MALIN REPORTS THAT OF THE FIVE THOUSAND ALIEN JEWISH REFUGEES IN ALLIED OCCUPIED ITALY SOME TWO SEVEN FIVE ZERO ARE OF GERMAN, AUSTRIAN, POLISH, OR OTHER EXTRACTION AND THAT A GREAT MAJORITY THESE PERSONS DO NOT WISH TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN THEY SHOULD BE EITHER BE ACCEPTED FOR IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE OR OTHERWISE MOVED OUT OF ITALY. HE ESTIMATES THAT ABOUT TWO THOUSAND EIGHT MAY BE 4460 FOR PALESTINE AND WE PROPOSE SUBJECT YOUR APPROVAL, TO APPROACH FRENCH AUTHORITIES WITH

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VIEW TO ARRANGING MOVEMENT OF [illegible]MAINDER TO CAMP NEAR CASABLANCA

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6 March 1944

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FROM.....FREEDOM
TO.....FATIMA

HEADQUARTERS 6 MAR 1944 A.C.C.

W/C NO.....9/06
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FOLLOWING FOR YOUR INFORMATION.(TO FATIMA RPTD DISPER BARI AND HQ NAAF SIGNED CINC CITE FMGS). THERE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE US A WAR REFUGEE BOARD WHICH IS DIRECTED TO TAKE MEASURES TO RESCUE THE VICTIMS OF ENEMY OPPRESSION AND OTHERWISE TO AFFORD SUCH VICTIMS RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE. BOARD IS TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL REFUGEE COMMITTEE, UNRRA, AND OTHER INTERESTED ORGANISATIONS. IT IS EXPECTED THAT MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS WILL COOPERATE. STATE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO APPOINT SPECIAL ATTACHES ABROAD WHERE ASSISTANCE CAN BE GIVEN TO REFUGEES. TO DATE NO INFORMATION OF APPOINTMENT ATTACHE FOR ITALY BUT ONE ALREADY APPOINTED TO NORTH AFRICA. EXECUTIVE ORDER CALLS UPON WAR DEPARTMENT AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES OF THE GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDER.

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FURTHER DETAILS NOT AVAILABLE THIS PRESENT BUT WE WILL DISCUSS MATTER WITH MALIN OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REFUGEE COMMITTEE ON HIS RETURN ABOUT ONE FIVE NINE TWO ZERO, AND INFORM YOU ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS AND DEVELOPMENTS WHEN WE ARE ABLE. AT THIS STAGE CAN ONLY DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO ONE OBJECT OF THE BOARD AS STATED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER, THAT IS QUOTE TO RESCUE VICTIMS OF ENEMY OPPRESSION". FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED TO NORTH AFRICA IT APPEARS THAT THE BOARD WILL BE CHIEFLY INTERESTED IN FACILITATING EXIT OF VICTIMS OF OPPRESSION FROM ENEMY OR ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES, AND THAT ITS

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INTERESTS WILL NOT CONFLICT WITH THOSE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REFUGEE COMMITTEE

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FROM : DISPER BARI SIGNED KIRKWOOD

REC'D : FEB 251351A

TO : FREEDOM FOR FHMGS RPTD FATIMA FOR POLITICAL SECTION

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Experience this Subcommission indicates undesirable to have representative of civilian organization attached without definite mission requiring action. Ref your message 54120 20 Feb to Disper Bari from Freedom cite FHMGS. If representative American Joint Distribution Committee will assume the mission of obtaining certificates of entry into Palestine for Jewish refugees he could be very useful. His attachment to this Subcommission to look after interests of particular group of refugees without a definite mission requiring action is not favourably considered.

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APPLICATION OF AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE PAREN REFERENCE YOUR FIVE FOUR ONE TWO ZERO FEBRUARY TWO ZERO PAREN HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE PD PERSAGE PAREN FARGO FROM POLITICAL SECTION SIGNED MACFARLANE TO AFHQ FOR MGS FOR ACTION RPTD DISPER BARI FOR INFO PD CITE FARGO ONE TWO NINE SEVEN PD WE FULLY APPRECIATE DESIRE OF THE JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ITALY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PD INASMUCH AS CMA HOWEVER CMA MALIN HAS JUST CONCLUDED PRELIMINARY SURVEY JEWISH REFUGEE PROBLEM CMA HE WOULD PREFER THAT REPRESENTATIVE OF JIC DOG CHARLIE AWAIT THE ARRIVAL OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE IN ITALY PD MALIN HAS SUBMITTED SEVERAL REPORTS ON SUBJECT AND WILL DISCUSS MATTER FURTHER EARLY IN MARCH UPON RETURN TO ALGIERS

L.P. HICKEY
Lt. Col. A.G.D.
Adjutant General

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FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED CINC CITE FHMGS

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TO : DISPER BARI FATIMA FOR POLITICAL SECTION

Application has been received from American Joint Distribution Committee (Jewish Welfare and Relief Organization) for permission for representatives visit Italy to make preliminary survey Jews due to move refugee problem. Committee desires that on completion survey representative should depart and be replaced by another to remain permanent. Representative willing work under control and in close conjunction Disper and Amcross. Committee have funds available for relief purpose and able obtain large numbers family imigration certificates for Jewish entries into Palestine. Authorities not all agreed as to desirable representations committee made necessary Italy. Grateful your early views and comments by cable.

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c/o Headquarters
Allied Control Commission

24 February 1944

Sir Herbert Emerson, Director,
Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees,
London.

Dear Sir Herbert,

My time in Italy has gone well, and I am due to leave in a day or two. Work growing out of the situation here will take me to Cairo (where I had hoped it might be possible to go anyhow, to arrange with MERRA for our resident representative etc.) and Jerusalem, before I return to Algiers and Casablanca. Having read in a local paper last week under an Ankara dateline that the Turkish government is ready to study with the Palestine government and Allied diplomats the question of assistance to Jewish refugees from the Balkans, I shall inquire in Cairo and Jerusalem whether I should pay a flying visit to Ankara also. In any event, I hope to be back in Algiers about the 15th or 20th of March. Kullmann will probably have done in Lisbon and Madrid all that we need to do there at this time, but you will of course tell me if you want me to stop to deal with any new developments. Otherwise, I am aiming to arrive in London by Easter. ...Up to date, I have received neither cable nor letter from you, unless the word which I shall mention below about White Russians in Rome came indirectly from you.

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I am inclosing copies of self-explanatory letters which I have given to Brigadier Lush, concerning our resident representative and the pressing needs of the refugees -- together with a copy of the brigadier's reply. My present report to you will provide a framework, so I shall leave copies of it for the brigadier and for our resident representative when he comes.

Since arriving on the 2d, I have spent nine days in Bari, three in the Ferramonti camp, and eight in Naples -- in addition to two days in road travel. I wanted to visit some of the other camps too, as well as towns and villages where refugees are located; but transportation and other difficulties prevented, and I have felt I should push on rapidly. Fortunately, I have been able to talk with officers who are acquainted with the places I have not touched myself -- with the exception that I haven't found any one who knows about MERRA activities in Italy, if they do actually have any (that, I can discover in Cairo).

The structural pattern has changed somewhat since I wrote you from Algiers. As you know, the Italian government -- under Allied Control Commission supervision -- is now responsible for all of South Italy, Sicily and Sardinia, except for the combat-and-communications zone (at present northwest of a line drawn roughly across the peninsula from Salerno to Bari), where the fighting forces and the Allied Military Government are responsible. General MacFarlane is head of both ACC and AMG, and the authority of ACC in technical matters extends to AMG also. The ACC has four sections -- administrative, executive (or "regional control and military government section"), political, and economic. I have conferred with Caccia and Reber (who turn out to be civilians, the latter having been in on the early days of the Intergovernmental Committee) of the political section, and various members of the economic section; but their work is only advisory.

The Displaced Persons Sub-Commission (charged with all non-Italians, now including the ex-prisoners of war) and the Italian Refugee Sub-Commission (charged with the Italian war fugitives and evacuees), as well as the Welfare Sub-Commission (charged with all residents and non-residents, Italian or otherwise, from the standpoint of local care), are within the executive section -- which is headed by Brigadier Lush, who turns out to be British. The Italian government, which has moved or is moving to Salerno, is functioning in the matter of displaced Italians but not in the matter of foreigners. The national missions, which vary considerably in size, in quality, and in functions which lie outside their appointed responsibility for displaced persons, are soon to have a Belgian added to their number -- though how he will occupy his time I can't imagine.

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There is no need for me to lengthen this letter by writing out the comments which Brigadier Lush asked me to give him orally on the structure and function and staffing of the ACC's work for foreign refugees, but I am bringing my notes home for our future guidance; in general, it can be said that things have been pretty bad, but are now definitely on the upgrade under MacFarlane and Lush, who have impressed me greatly by their competence and cordiality. It seems quite possible that the Italian and foreign refugee sub-commissions may be re-merged at a not too distant date...You might telephone to Major Cramer of the Displaced Persons Unit of the Supreme Allied Command (Miss Davies has the exact address) and tell him I am gathering much material for him; perhaps you might like to show him some of this letter etc.

Statistically, the picture is somewhat as follows: Between 25,000 and 50,000 Italians are already displaced, having fled from the front on their own initiative, or been forced through the lines by the Germans, or evacuated from the Anglo-American combat-and-communications zone; their number seems likely to increase by maybe 10,000 to 15,000 monthly, though no one can say just how completely the evacuation of a large place like Foggia can be carried out. They are being put into the towns and villages of Calabria (the toe) and Apulia (the heel), in camps or big buildings or private residents; they are terribly destitute, and the strain on those regions is already severe enough to cause concern, though efficient management would probably reduce it measurably. Very few (under 1,000) of Italy's normal Jewish population of about 40,000 are in South Italy, but half of them are displaced and many of these are destitute.

Allied ex-prisoners of war so far encountered have numbered far fewer than had been anticipated -- perhaps 1,500 all told, chiefly Yugoslavs. Only about fifty British civilian internees have been discovered, and almost no authentic Americans -- though there are maybe 15,000 people of Italian origin who claim American citizenship. The latter are the concern of the Political Section of the ACC, and the initially very large Prisoner of War Sub-Commission (strictly British Army) has now been disbanded; the remaining Yugoslav ex-prisoners fall within the domain of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission until they are taken for military retraining.

Since Christmas the British Navy has been transferring between 15,000 and 20,000 Dalmatians from the islands off Split, and may be bringing still more. Some of these are men of military age brought over for equipment and training, but the overwhelming number are wounded, or women, children and old men. The British Army has been receiving them (chiefly at Brindisi), disinfesting them at Taturano, holding them in about five camps at Lecce etc., and shipping them (about 10,000 so far) from Taranto to the Middle East (exact destination unknown here). All arrangements are reported to be quite inadequate, and the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission responsibility is as yet only nominal. Among the inflow, there have been about 500 Jews of various nationalities, who are being held in seperate camps or portions of camps, alongwith some 250 Yugoslav Jews moved last month from Ferramonti; the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission wants to move them to the Middle East with the Dalmatians, but UNRRA's re-

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Of the foreign refugees who have been in Italy for two years or more, there seem to be about 20,000 now in South Italy -- 15,000 of them non-Jewish Yugoslavs, distributed as I have indicated in my letter to Brigadier Lush. Among the 5,000 Jewish refugees, perhaps 2250 are Yugoslavs (including the 250 mentioned in the preceding paragraph); there are maybe 1000 Germans, 500 Austrian, 750 Poles, and 500 Czechs. These non-Yugoslav Jews are principally concentrated in Ferramonti (1000, of whom perhaps 100 are Catholic by faith -- chiefly Czechs), the Bari camp (500), the city of Bari and its surroundings (750), the city of Naples and its surroundings (250), and scattered elsewhere (250). The Yugoslav Jews have perhaps 500 in Bari and vicinity, 750 divided among Naples, Cosenza, Potenza and Brindisi and

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...eir neighborho...s, 750 scattered throughou... South Italy, and the 250 recently moved from Ferramonti to Santa Maria di Bagno (on the heel)...Ferramonti has only a few Chinese in addition to the 1000 Jews; the Bari camp has about 500 Yugoslav ex-prisoners and another 500 Yugoslavs awaiting equipment and training for partisan service, in addition to the 500 non-Yugoslav Jews; the Naples camp is a much smaller replica of that, and the Palermo camp has only 120 Yugoslavs (mostly men and non-Jewish) and 10 Greeks, though there seem to be a few more Yugoslavs scattered over Sicily...Royal Yugoslavs form a small minority of the ex-prisoners, the Dalmatian transferees, and the long-term refugees; their situation is so precarious among their fellows that they often keep their political preferences quiet.

North of the battle-line, there seem to be about 50,000 non-Jewish Yugoslavs left, and 15,000 non-Italian Jews (proportioned more or less like those south of the line). Italian and non-Italian Jews are often held in large camps, but mostly they are in hiding with friendly non-Jews in towns and villages off the main roads; the non-Jewish Yugoslavs are scattered too, but have to worry less about hiding. The Germans seem to be something less than intensive in ferreting out the hidden Jews, but when they are found they are put in camps and often deported to Germany and Poland. (There are unconfirmed rumores of massacres in Milan etc.) Very few are able to pass through the lines, and the military situation does not permit any rescue expeditions...No good information exists about Rab or the rest of Yugoslavia.

(Yesterday I was shown a telegram from Allied Force Headquarters asking whether, on the liberation of Rome, the Intergovernmental Committee would take responsibility for 300 White Russians there who have asked the Vatican to help prevent their return to Russia. Evidently the Vatican had approached London and/or Washington, and perhaps you were informed. At any rate, I said that -- though I had no evidence of any attempt to transfer such persons to Russia from any point where they have been found -- they came within the League of Nations-Intergovernmental Committee responsibility.)

Before the British and American armies came, the foreign refugees in the town and villages and the ten or twelve camps in this area were quite well treated by the Italian government and people -- except at the last, when an uncertain number were shifted north at the behest of the Germans. In the first excitement of liberation, they expected immediate money and supplies, employment and emigration, so there is now rather a lot of bitter disillusionment; but, apart from the wretched situation of the Dalmatians, the perlous location of Ferramonti, and the general lack of employment, the conditions under which the refugees live seem to me relatively tolerable -- though it must not be forgotten that many of the non-Yugoslav Jews were originally used to professional-class standards, and have suffered for long years the pains of homelessness and statelessness.

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Some 15% of the Jewish refugees are said to have means of their own, and 20% (overlapping in unknown proportion with the above group) are individually employed -- though at starvation wages for the most part. Unemployed refugees receive, from ACC-Italian government grants, a daily cash allowance of 15 lire (a lire is worth an Ameri-

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The ACC in general and the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in particular have been shockingly devoid of transport and other equipment, but this is being slowly remedied. Food production and importation have of course being woefully insufficient for all the inhabitants of this area, but things are getting better: importation is solely a matter of ACC arrangement through Allied Forces Headquarters and the Combined Chiefs of Staff with the Civil Affairs Section of the United States War Department. Medical supplies were found here in reasonably ample amount, and there is a small but steady flow from the United States under the same sort of arrangement: expedited and properly allocated distribution within the area is the problem, on which the American and British Red Crosses are working. Regarding clothes, my earlier information from Red Cross officials seems to have been a considerable under-estimate: the 40 tons which I mentioned in my letter to Brigadier Lush turn out to be the amount so far supplied to Italian war fugitives and evacuees and foreign refugees (almost entirely Dalmatian). Four hundred tons more have arrived in Italy, Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica and are in process of distribution; our particular group of refugees are admittedly getting almost none, partly because they are such a small number comparatively, partly because they are not in such need as many of even the un-displaced Italians, and partly because the American Red Cross in particular is not very sympathetic. (Farrington, the British Red Cross man who is in charge of the Displaced Persons Records Bureau, has just come to town and has dropped into my office to report that Trevor, another British Red Cross man, has just been assigned to work on relief among the foreign refugees: Farrington asks confidentially that you immediately urge on Miss Warner the urgency of trying to get British Red Cross and American Red Cross people out here to take more cognizance of the foreign refugees, but I think there is no hope of anything in the American Red Cross.) The four hundred tons came almost entirely from Red Cross and American government supplies (not Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations or United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, but Foreign Economic Administration) in the United States, whence six hundred more tons are supposed to be on their way; the British Red Cross has some stores in Cairo, but they are being saved for the Balkans...There seems to have been little of the diversion of ACC food or Red Cross clothing to partisan training units which General Joyce mentioned to me in Algiers, though the Dalmatians trans-shipped for military reasons have of course had rather a lion's share.

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Educational facilities for children are being provided by former teachers among the refugees on a very sketchy pattern, recently improved at Ferramonti by the help of a Palestine soldier on leave. (I have a list of kinds of books needed which I am carrying along with me to do what I can.) Religious observances are being attended to by rabbis among the refugees. There is a good deal of Zionist political agitation, arising not only from conviction but also from idleness, and from the fact that none of the refugees except the Czechs have any real service from the national missions -- while the Palestine units in the British Army have been doing relatively a great deal for them. Morale is generally low, and the Yugoslav Jews particularly seem to be active in the black market, organized prostitution etc.; imperious demands for favored treatment are cited as reasons for a beginning of anti-Semitism among the Italians and among the ACC and Red Cross officials.

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In my conversations with General MacFarlane and Brigadier Lush about the functions of our resident representative, I have stressed that we are not miracle-workers but will require time and facilities. But I hope we may make every effort to install our representative here between March 15 and April 1. I have asked Brigadier Lush about Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith, retiring as British consul-general at

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Alexandria, who was suggested to you just before I left; Lush knows him, and approves, as does General MacFarlane -- so I shall try to see him when I am in Egypt, informing you what I discover and of course not making any commitment except at your instruction. (Perhaps he could be used by us at Cairo or elsewhere, if not in Italy.) You may have discovered other possibilities by now; Coville himself said something to me as I was leaving which leads me to suggest that you might like to ask him if he would approach Bucknell and Winant for leave to come out for six months. By the end of that period, the time might be ripe for the appointment of an Italian, which Lush would like as soon as possible; I have prepared the Italian general who is heading his government's work for its own displaced people for the coming of our representative. The small staff which will be necessary can probably be built up from a few Italians, one or two of the Americans I met in North Africa, and one or two Britishers in Egypt and Palestine on whom I have since got information.

Kullmann gave me four inquiries about occupants of Ferramonti; please give him the following replies for transmission to the inquirers: (1) Dr. Samuel Gottesfeld, about whom George Cohn, 12 Norland Square, W. 11, wrote on 17th December, on behalf of Dr. Gottesfeld's fiancee, Mrs. Hanna Reininger, 9 Castle Street, Hereford, Herefordshire; Dr. Gottesfeld left the camp soon after liberation occurred, and is now living at Via Vittoria Veneto 162, Bari, where he is understood to be well and where letters recently received at Ferramonti for him from Mrs. Reininger have been forwarded. (2) Mrs. Malvine Hahn, about whom the Jewish Refugees Committee, Manchester branch, asked on 28th December, on behalf of her daughter; Mrs. Hahn, who is well and liked by all, left the camp on 17th January with Yugoslav relatives, and is presumably with the group in Santa Maria di Bagno -- theoretically awaiting transfer to the Middle East with the Dalmatians. (3) Hans Lederer, about whom his brother Emil Lederer, 8a Fordwych Road, N.W. 2, inquired on 21st December; Hans Lederer is still at Ferramonti, is well, and has been writing directly to his brother. (4) Mrs. Jetti Steiner, about whom her grand-daughter, Mrs. Ilse Niemand, 23 Clyde Road, West Didsbury, Manchester 20, wrote on 5th January; Mrs. Steiner is still at Ferramonti and said she would write directly to her granddaughter.....Perrington told me this morning that a cable from you had reached the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission after I left, making inquiries about two more people; he is handling the matter and will reply to you.

Please tell Kullmann also that Palmieri is no longer at the University of Naples, and his whereabouts are unknown to Dr. Burkard of the International Red Cross; but that Burkard will make inquiries about International Student Service matters and report to Kullmann. I hope the latter is back in London by now after a successful trip, and that you are having some relief from too much work. Give my greetings to him and Sillem and everyone else in the office (tell them I was warm in North Africa but have been very cold in Italy, so as to reduce their envy!), and keep for yourself an abundant share of my respect and affection. You will be as pleased and surprised as I am to know that I have so far spent only £25 since leaving London; the army has been transporting me, and I have been eating at officers'

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messes and often staying with friends of mine whom I have discovered in profusion.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Murphy Malin
Vice-Director

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7th January 1944

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Dear Mr. Bucknell:

The Executive Committee at its meeting held on January 4, 1944, approved in principle the appointment of a representative of the Intergovernmental Committee at each of the following places: Algiers, Naples, Lisbon and Madrid. It further authorised me, as Director, to enter into discussions with the Governments of the United Kingdom and United States of America, with a view to seeking the assistance of their diplomatic representatives in approaching the Governments concerned, and to obtaining their advice regarding personnel, conditions of pay and service of such representatives.

The Executive Committee attaches great importance to a representative being persona grata to the Government concerned, and this can normally be best achieved by the appointment of a national of that country. His duties will be to deal with matters within the scope of the activities of the Committee, and since these will entail frequent reference to Government departments and authorities, he will be instructed that it is his duty to maintain close and friendly relations with the Government. Indeed, it is contemplated that the Government will often find it of assistance to make use of his services. This requires that he should be a person of sufficient standing and influence to inspire confidence. Previous experience with refugee problems will be a qualification, but it is not essential, although it is necessary that he should be a man of broad and human sympathies. He should have had previous administrative experience. He will be responsible to the Director, and through him to the Executive Committee. The staff required will vary according to the local problems,

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the scope of the operations and the number of refugees in the country concerned. It is proposed that a representative should be given at first a small clerical staff only, but that if necessary an assistant, or assistants, should be appointed later, with such increase in the office staff as the actual work may justify. The number of posts on the staff and the rates of pay will be subject to the sanction of the Director. So far as personnel is concerned, the representative will make appointments himself within the sanctioned scales of clerical posts and salaries, but the selection of assistants should be referred to the Director.

The above particulars will, it is hoped, sufficiently indicate the nature of the duties of the representative and the qualifications which he should possess.

2. With regard to the proposed representative at Algiers, the Executive Committee decided that in view of the fact that Mr. Malin, Vice-Director, will be visiting that place within the next few days, he should make the approach to the French Committee of National Liberation. The Committee, however, will be grateful if you will inform the American representative accredited to the French Committee of National Liberation at Algiers with the request that he will be good enough to support Mr. Malin's mission.

3. It is similarily proposed that Mr. Malin should take advantage of his visit to Algiers to discuss with the proper authorities the appointment of a representative at Naples. It is understood that the proper course will be for him to get into touch, in the first place, with the American and British Resident Ministers in Algiers, and this he will do. The Committee will, therefore, be grateful if you will be good enough to have the American Resident Minister informed, and to request him to support the proposal and to advise Mr. Malin regarding pay, conditions of service, etc. It is thought that in present circumstances it will be difficult to find a suitable Italian as representative, and that it may be necessary to appoint some Allied national.

4. As regards the representatives at Lisbon and Madrid, the Committee will be grateful if the approaches to the Portuguese and Spanish Governments are made by the American Ambassador at Lisbon and Madrid respectively, in consultation with his British colleague. It is hoped that a suitable national may be available for the post at Lisbon, but more doubt is felt regarding the appointment at Madrid, where it may be necessary to appoint a person of Allied nationality. On these points, and on other matters relating to the appointments, the Committee will greatly value the advice of the American representatives.

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5. The Executive Committee has further approved, in principle, the appointment of a representative with the Middle East Refugee and Relief Administration at Cairo, who would also be charged with the duty of representing the interests of the Committee at Ankara is appointed. This approval, however, is subject to the understanding that the State Department should be further consulted, since it is understood that the relationship between the above organization and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration has not yet been determined. I any explain that in approving this proposal, the Executive Committee has in view the probability that it may later have to undertake functions, e.g., the finding of homes for those unable to return to their own countries, on behalf of some of the refugees now under the care of the Middle East Refugee and Relief Administration. It seems desirable, therefore, that there should be a representative of the Intergovernmental Committee on that body who would obtain practical experience of the work in which it is engaged, and acquaint himself with the various problems with which the Intergovernmental Committee may later have to deal. The Executive Committee would have no objections to an arrangement by which such a representative would be subject to the orders of the Director of the Middle East Refugee and Relief Administration for work directly concerned with that organization, and it would welcome use being made of his services in this respect. The Executive Committee further contemplates that a representative with his headquarters at Cairo would be able to visit Turkey and other middle east countries to deal with problems with which the Committee is concerned. In particular, it is hoped that he would thus be able to establish relations with the Government of Turkey, and facilitate the appointment of a separate representative at Ankara, if the work he might usefully do in that country, made this desirable. The Committee would, therefore, be glad if the matter can be taken up between the American and British Governments in the first place, and later with the appropriate authorities in Cairo.

6. I have written to Mr. Randall at the Foreign Office in identical terms.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd.) H. W. Emerson.

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APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES.

1. Attached is a copy of a letter dated 21st December, 1943, from the United States Embassy to the Chairman of the Committee. A similar letter has been addressed to him by the Government of the United Kingdom. The letters contain the suggestions that there be established small offices of the Intergovernmental Committee at Algiers, Naples, Lisbon, Madrid and Ankara, for the purpose of assisting refugees. The following considerations are relevant to the proposal:-

(a) Generally the Intergovernmental Committee will not be able efficiently to carry out its functions unless it has accredited representatives in the various countries concerned with refugees. It is contemplated that representatives will be necessary in many European countries as circumstances allow.

(b) It is clear that so far as Allied and Neutral countries are concerned, the principle of representation must be accepted by the Government concerned. It is suggested, therefore, that the representative should be a person acceptable to the Government of the country in which he is appointed; that he should maintain close and friendly relations with that Government, and that he should be a person of sufficient standing and influence to have ready access to and inspire the confidence of the Government departments and authorities concerned.

(c) The duties of the representative will vary according to local problems, the scope of the operations, if any, of U.N.R.R.A. in that country, and the efficiency of the voluntary organisations dealing with refugees.

(d) Similarly, the size of the staff required is likely to vary greatly. It is suggested that in the absence of particular reasons to the contrary, the normal procedure should be to appoint a representative with a small office staff and that if necessity arises, he should be given an assistant or assistants, with such increases in office staff as the actual work may justify.

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(c) The representatives should be directly responsible to the Director and, through him, to the Executive Committee.

2. With regard to the countries suggested for the early appointment of representatives, the following facts are relevant:-

(i) ALGIERS.

The Executive Committee has the advantage of the advice, as a Member, of the representative of the French Committee of National Liberation. The French Committee has many refugee problems, some relating to French nationals, others to persons of non-French nationality. So far as the first are concerned, the Intergovernmental Committee is at the service of the French Committee for any help which it may be able to give. With regard to other refugees, the French Committee has followed a liberal policy and has recently given its consent to the opening of a camp in Morocco. Although that camp will not be under the administration of the Intergovernmental Committee, problems are likely to arise in connection with it, e.g. the ultimate disposition of the occupants, in which the Intergovernmental Committee will be closely interested. For this reason it is clear that, subject to the agreement of the French Committee, a representative working in close co-operation with the French Committee will be able to do work of mutual value.

(ii) NAPLES.

There are already a number of refugee problems in the portion of Italy occupied by the Allies. It is hoped that Mr. Malin, the Vice-Director, will be able shortly to visit Italy and to advise regarding the size and character of the representation and the duties of the representative; but it is already clear that the early appointment of a representative in Italy is most desirable.

(iii) LISBON.

Although the number of refugees in Lisbon is at present comparatively small, probably 500 or 600 only, Portugal is very important as a country of transit. Moreover, Lisbon is the European headquarters of several refugee organisations, and in particular of the Joint Distribution Committee, the American Friends Service Committee, and the

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Unitarian Service Committee. The Intergovernmental Committee has frequent contact with these bodies and it will be a great advantage to have its representative on the spot.

(iv) MADRID.

During the past year Spain (next only to Switzerland) has been the most important European country of temporary asylum. Although the inflow has decreased, developments in Western Europe may easily lead to a new and large inflow. In any case, current problems fully justify the appointment.

(v) ANKARA.

The immediate necessity of a representative at Ankara is open to doubt. There are very few refugees in the country itself, and, owing to the impossibility at present of getting refugees out of the Balkan countries, it is little used as a country of transit. On the other hand, if escape from the Balkan countries becomes possible, Turkey will be a very important country of transit.

In the Near East, however, with its headquarters at Cairo, there is the Middle East Refugee and Relief Administration, commonly known as MERRA, which is directly responsible for large numbers of refugees who come technically within the mandate of the Intergovernmental Committee and for whom the Intergovernmental Committee would have to provide if MERRA did not exist. It is not suggested that the Intergovernmental Committee should replace MERRA, but it may later have to undertake functions, e.g. the finding of homes for those unable to return to their own countries, for some of the refugees now under the care of MERRA. It, therefore, seems desirable that MERRA should have a representative of the Intergovernmental Committee on its committee, who would obtain practical experience of the field work in which MERRA is engaged, would acquaint himself with the various problems with which the Intergovernmental Committee may later have to deal, and would be within easy reach of Turkey and other Middle East countries should it be necessary for him to visit them to deal with a particular problem.

Should a representative be appointed to the committee of MERRA there is no reason why he should not be subject to the orders of the Director of MERRA for work directly concerned

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concerned with that body. It is, therefore, suggested that as an alternative to the appointment of a representative at Ankara, the above suggestion should be considered, which might also have the merit of paving the way to an appointment at Ankara as and when the occasion shall require it.

3. It is suggested that the Executive Committee should:-

(a) Approve in principle the appointment of representatives at Algiers, Naples, Lisbon and Madrid, and

(b) Approve the appointment of a representative at Ankara or, in the alternative, of a representative with MERRA.

(c) Lay down the principle that representatives will be directly responsible to the Director and, through him, to the Executive Committee.

(d) Authorise the Director to enter into discussions with the Governments of the United Kingdom and of the United States of America with a view to seeking the assistance of their diplomatic representatives in approaching the Governments concerned, and to obtaining their advice regarding personnel, conditions of pay and service of such representatives, and

(e) Authorise the Director to approach the necessary authorities regarding the appointment of a representative on the committee of MERRA.

4. Independent of these proposals it is very desirable that the Intergovernmental Committee should have a representative in Switzerland. A favourable opportunity of making informal approaches to the Swiss Government is likely shortly to occur since Dr. Kullmann will be visiting Switzerland soon at the invitation of the Swiss Government to discuss various refugee questions. It is suggested, therefore, that the Executive Committee should authorise Dr. Kullmann to make informal approaches to the Swiss Government with a view to a formal approach later, if the reactions are favourable.

H. W. EMERSON,
Director

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London, December 21, 1943.

(Dear Lord Winterton,)

On behalf of the Government of the United States I wish to lay before the Executive Committee for its consideration and decision a suggestion that there be established small offices of the Intergovernmental Committee at Algiers, Naples, Lisbon, Madrid and Ankara for the purpose of assisting refugees.

In view of the opinion of the Department of State that it is expedient to take definite steps at once to establish the additional offices, I should greatly appreciate early information, if and when decision by the Executive Committee makes it possible to supply it, with reference to personnel and the procedure to follow preparatory to the establishing of the offices. It should be understood that the expense of maintenance of such offices would come in the category of operational expenditure and be underwritten jointly by the United States and British Governments. As regards the necessary preparatory procedure the Department of State will upon your request gladly cooperate with the Intergovernmental Committee in this matter by consulting the opinion of its diplomatic representatives at any of the places named or by instructing them to seek of the authorities concerned the approval necessary for the opening of such offices. The Embassy is ready to discuss with the Director such other details of the proposal as he may desire, and to hear any suggestions he may have concerning the plan's possible execution, improvement, or alteration.

I am communicating to the Foreign Office a copy of this letter to you in the hope that the British Government will see fit to take a similar position with regard to recommending the establishment of additional offices of the Intergovernmental Committee. From preliminary discussion of the subject it is understood that the British Government is in agreement in principle. I am likewise supplying a copy to the Director of the Intergovernmental Committee.

(Sincerely)

Howard Bucknell, Jr.

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The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Winterton, M.P.,
Chairman of the Executive Committee,
Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees,
11, Regent Street, S.W.1.

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Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees

Temporarily:
c/o Allied Control
Commission Headquarters

19 February 1944

Brigadier M. S. Lush,
Allied Control Commission.

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an their fair share: but it is equally true, on the other hand, that in some particulars they deserve special attention -- because many of them are members of the professional class, and because (some of them for long years) they are internationally displaced and often stateless in law or in fact. If even a few concrete results could be immediately shown to them, the incidental benefits to the Allied Control Commission's work in South Italy are likely to be disproportionately large -- in, for example, the diminution of petty thievery and Zionist political agitation.

In respect of the Belgian, Dutch, French, Greek, Norwegian and Russian displaced persons, the general rule is that there are either none at all or very few of them, and that those few have been or are being transferred elsewhere by their national missions -- with assistance easily provided by the Allied Control Commission. Similarly, the Polish and Czechoslovak missions are looking after their ex-prisoners of war; and the Czechoslovak mission is also eager and competent to help care for its other nationals (including Jews) -- some of whom are volunteering for their national armed forces. The Polish mission is ready to help care for its non-Jewish citizens, but is likely to take little responsibility for Jews -- many of whom had been long absent from Poland even before the war.

Yugoslavs constitute the bulk of the remaining ex-prisoners, as they do of the general body of those displaced foreigners who have been in Italy for some time. Very few of them seem to be in sympathy with the Royal Yugoslav Government at Cairo, and its national mission thus is able to do much less than might at first glance be expected; but the problem is temporarily being solved by partisan training, employment in British and American army work, and individual infiltration into the life of scattered towns and villages -- many of the Yugoslavs speaking Italian as former residents of areas contiguous to Italy, and looking forward to an indefinite stay here or to repatriation after the fighting stops. Jewish Yugoslavs represent a special problem, there being mutual antagonism between them and the Royal Yugoslavs, the partisans, and other Jews; they are also reported to be responsible for much of whatever problem of black market activities etc. is attributable to the refugee community.

The Dalmatians who, to disembarass partisan military operations, are being trans-shipped from across the Adriatic to the Middle East, though rather numerous at the moment, need from the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission only an improved service of thoughtful planning and energetic supervision during their brief progress from arrival port through reception camp and holding camp to departure port. Such service is not unlike the sort that is needed for the remaining ex-prisoners, and the staff which has been engaged in working with the ex-prisoners should be able to provide some suggestions and personnel for it.

Primarily, then, the continuing task of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission is that of caring for the Jews who are stateless in law or in fact (German, Austrian, Polish and Yugoslav) and who look for and neither to repatriation nor to permanent residence

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So far as physical relief of the stateless group is concerned, the greatest need is for clothing (especially shoes); its provis-

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it would aid materially in solving the health problem and in the securing of individual employment. The American Red Cross is about ready to distribute approximately forty tons brought from its stock in Cairo among all groups in South Italy, and the British Red Cross has just received about £2000 worth from Palestine for distribution among Italian and non-Italian Jews; but the refugees' share of these supplies will cover much less than the whole of even the most elemental needs. Increased supplies of simple medicines are direly needed, and a small stock of books would help enormously in the recommencement of children's education.

Concerted efforts to stimulate employment would pay large dividends, by reducing the burden of public relief and the psychological consequences of unrelieved idleness, and by increasing the refugees' qualifications for prompt emigration and successful resettlement. This stimulation of employment will require some reconsideration of restrictions now placed on the hiring of persons of the nationalities to which many of the refugees belong or belonged, and the adjustment of wages paid to foreigners with those paid to Italians; and it should be announced as Allied Control Commission policy that current employment in Italy does not disqualify a refugee from taking advantage of whatever emigration opportunity may arise (this applies, inter alia, to employment by the British and American armies as they push northward). Apart from individual employment, simple schemes of agricultural and mechanical retraining could be instituted in camps or in towns or villages where refugees are concentrated -- with modest equipment and financing.

Money, whether for retraining projects or for other purposes, involves a number of considerations. Any increase in the quantity of lire given to refugees -- whether as wages or as relief allowances, whether issued simply on Allied Control Commission or Italian authority or based on remittances from abroad, unless it is roughly matched by an increase in goods produced or imported, will tend to produce inflation and a distortion of distribution in favor of the refugees at the expense of other elements in the population. But increased refugee expenditures would be only a drop in the bucket, so some increase in the present daily cash allowance of fifteen lire (ten for a child) would seem justified. Also, facilities should be created for moderate amounts to be released on the basis of London and New York deposits owned by certain refugees, or pounds and dollars which could be earmarked by the appropriate national governments in exile, private philanthropic organizations, or the Intergovernmental Committee.

If it is at all possible, the Ferramonti camp, whose marshy location is conducive to widespread and recurrent malaria and influenza, should be evacuated forthwith; at least, the most serious medical cases should be transferred elsewhere. A few camps are probably desirable, to accommodate (to the extent that employment cannot be found) those foreign refugees now resident in Ferramonti, in Prisoner-of-War Transit Camps #1 at Bari and #2 at Naples, in the Palermo camp (perhaps its 120 Yugoslavs, chiefly men and non-Jewish, and its 10 Greeks should remain where they are), and in the camps at and near Taranto where Yugoslav Jews now ostensibly await a transfer to the

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All the above points, together with the vital matter of military security on which I need not speak, put a premium on the early

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completion of the comprehensive registration and postal tracing system which is being instituted by the Records Bureau of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, and which will of course incorporate the partial information already acquired by the Intelligence Officer of the sub-commission, by the camp authorities, by the regional and local officers of the Allied Control Commission, and (perhaps) by the Italian officials charged with the registration of foreigners. In this connection, special attention should be drawn to the Allied Military Government order of the 24th of January 1944, entitled "Registration and Travel Restriction of Persons of Non-Italian Nationality"; the Temporary Identity Cards referred to therein should be issued at the earliest possible moment, the order should be authoritatively and thoroughly explained in camps and other localities where refugees are concentrated, and the administration of the restrictions should take as much account as possible of the necessity for travel in search of employment etc.

The recommendations which have been made so far in this letter have to do with creating the optimum possible conditions of asylum in liberated Italy for those refugees now south of the battle-line -- as well as those who may continue to be brought across the Adriatic or (very few at present) to smuggle themselves over the line, and those who may be found as the front moves northward. It is not the policy of the Intergovernmental Committee to encourage indiscriminate migration from places of adequate asylum, but I have recognized two important facts during my stay in your territory: First, the British and American military authorities would feel greatly relieved if even a small body of foreign refugees were moved from this area near to supply sources. Second, the overwhelming majority of the German, Austrian, Polish and Yugoslav Jews, and a large part of the Czechoslovak Jews, wish to migrate -- many of them having in the past been well on their way toward actual admission into Palestine. Therefore, I suggest that the Allied Control Commission immediately approach Allied Force Headquarters, the Middle East Relief and Refugee Administration at Cairo, the Palestine Government, and the French Committee of National Liberation -- with a view to the prompt emigration of suitable persons to Palestine, or to the camp being established near Casablanca by the British and American governments with French co-operation. (This camp is intended for refugees who have hitherto been in Spain, but its authorized quota of 2000 is not likely to be half filled by those coming from there.) You may see fit to mention that I am proceeding to Cairo and Jerusalem, Algiers and Casablanca, and then back to London -- with a certain amount of detailed information (including a number of names etc. of intending emigrants), and with your blessing.

Finally, the administration of refugee matters in South Italy would be immensely facilitated if those in camps and in other areas of concentration were systematically informed of what was being done and attempted -- without the extravagance of promises -- both with regard to their life in Italy and with regard to their future, and given an opportunity to explain their basic needs. It might be desirable, for such liaison purposes, to attach a British or American officer of the Jewish race and faith to the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, and perhaps to each camp or other local concentration

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I am most grateful for the courtesy you have shown in encouraging me to lay before you these recommendations on behalf of the sorely-tried people for whom our Committee is responsible. I wish I might respond affirmatively to your request that I stay in Italy and help cope with the many obstacles which I know stand in the way of the Allied Control Commission and the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission. But, if all goes well, our resident representative will soon be on hand, to do all he can to help. I am attaching two extra copies of this present letter -- one for him, and one for the sub-commission if you wish to pass it on.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Murphy Malin
Vice-Director

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

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22nd February 1946.

Dear Malin,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 10th February (IO/218/60) and write, on behalf of the Chief Commissioner, to confirm my agreement with your proposal to appoint a resident representative in this country of British or American nationality who would be attached to the A.C.C. and who, while not being a member of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission" would collaborate with them.

I understand that you personally will take up the matter of the rapid removal of displaced persons now in this country to Middle East, Palestine and, via Casablanca, to the U.S.A. You have seen yourself the need for their immediate removal and am glad to think that you will be able to advise the authorities concerned and assist us in this matter.

Finally, may I thank you for the most helpful letter which you have written to me concerning the work of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission and for the advice you have given to me on the subject.

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

P. M. Malin, Esq.,
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18 February 1944

Brigadier M. S. Lush,
Allied Control Commission.

Dear Brigadier Lush,

As agreed in our conversation yesterday, I am writing you with regard to the proposed appointment of a Naples resident representative of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees. There is need for only a brief letter, since I supplied you yesterday with copies of Sir Herbert Emerson's memorandum of the 29th December 1943 on the appointment of representatives in certain countries, and his letter of the 7th January 1944 to Mr. Bucknell of the American Embassy in London (the British Foreign Office having been addressed in identical terms). You have also read my materials concerning the reorganization of the Intergovernmental Committee which occurred in August last, and the working relationship which is being established between the Committee and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

Just before I left England five weeks ago, our office was informed by Allied Force Headquarters that the decision as to the appropriate relationship between the Allied Contr

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Commission and the Naples resident representative of the Intergovernmental Committee should be postponed until after my visit here. Consequently, and as a result of my recent inquiries at Allied Force Headquarters, at the headquarters of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, at the Ferramonti refugee camp, and here at your headquarters, I should now like to submit the following suggestions for your consideration. If your decision is favorable, I know that you will arrange for its earliest possible implementation -- in the interests of all concerned.

It seems desirable, under present circumstances, that our resident representative should be a British or American civilian of considerable standing and administrative experience, and possessing -- if possible -- some acquaintance with refugee problems or cognate questions in the field of group welfare. He should not be a member of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, but he should collaborate most closely with it and the national missions accredited thereto; and he should be attached directly to the headquarters of the Allied Control Commission -- for purposes of administration and all practicable facilitation of his work. He should gradually build up a staff of his own, keeping particularly in mind the desirability of preparing Italian nationals to carry on the work of the Committee in this area.

Within the general framework of the Committee's mandate, and its special responsibility for the non-relief aspects of the refugees' present existence and for the ultimate placement of those "not immediately returnable", the Naples resident representative should co-operate with the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in the general tasks of surveying the present refugee population, forecasting future increments, making plans for meeting as many of their needs as possible, and putting those plans into effect. As things stand now, the Committee's help seems to be needed most for the Jewish refugees of German, Austrian, Polish and Czechoslovak extraction; and several factors combine to indicate that a fairly speedy emigration for a considerable portion of them may properly be a major task of the Committee's representative. In view of the large proportion desiring to go to Palestine, many of them with recently issued certificate numbers, it may be useful to bring temporarily to Italy from Jerusalem a representative of the Jewish Agency -- under the auspices of the resident representative of the Intergovernmental Committee, or otherwise, as may seem best to the Allied Control Commission.

Word of your decision will presumably be communicated through channels to Allied Force Headquarters, the Combined Chiefs of Staff, the Department of State, the Foreign Office,

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and our office in London. Immediately on receiving it, Sir Herbert Emerson will take the steps which are necessary on our part. He will doubtless inform me as soon as possible, but -- to increase speed in these days of slow cables -- you may consider it proper to inform me directly also, in order that full use may be made of my projected visits to Cairo, Jerusalem and Algiers.

Yours sincerely,

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