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### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Papers of the War Refugee Board, Part 2: Project and Document Files, January 1944—September 1945 is presented in microfilm by LexisNexis. The files include correspondence, telegrams, newspaper clippings, publications, budgets, and receipts in addition to a small number of photographs. Correspondents were primarily members of the WRB, Jewish aid organizations, and U.S. ambassadors working collaboratively on rescue and relief missions. They include Swiss ambassador Leland Harrison, UK ambassador John G. Winant, WRB representative in Turkey Ira A. Hirschmann, Secretary of State Cordell Hull and his successor Edward R. Stettinius Jr., Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee representative A. Leon Kubowitzki, and WRB director John W. Pehle. The collection is subdivided into twenty-two series on topics ranging from administrative matters to cooperation with other countries to specific rescue operations.

The United States entered the effort to rescue Jews in Europe late in the war. Even if the U.S. never organized any specific relief mission, its help was desperately needed to arrange Treasury licenses for fund transfers into Europe and to initiate negotiations with other governments to rescue or allow the emigration of Jews. When it came to relief operations the Allies were not so allied as might be expected. The United States clashed with the United Kingdom, which was reluctant to issue exchange licenses and tried to prevent delivery of food parcels into concentration camps lest the aid fall into enemy hands. The latter prompted Edward R. Stettinius Jr. in July of 1944 to write with exasperation, "The amount of food which might fall into enemy hands could not affect the outcome of the war nor prolong it and the desperate situation of the people held in these camps makes it increasingly necessary that an effort be made to give them some assistance even though we may not have ironclad guarantees of 100 percent receipt by the intended beneficiaries" (Reel 1, Frame 0167).

A greater challenge lay in convincing other nations to open their borders to Jewish refugees. Foreign passports were needed by any Jew hoping to leave Europe, and the United States went to many nations, particularly in Latin America, to ask how many refugees they could take. The small numbers negotiated for demonstrate how desperate and demoralizing the rescue task was. Officials were forced to bail the Jews out of Europe tiny scoopfuls at a time. The WRB would get permission for 500 Spanish visas for children under the age of ten, for instance, and try to get 500 children out of occupied territory as quickly as possible. It is easy to see the destruction of families underway: those that weren't divided by deportations to concentration camps were pulled apart by their rescue. Many small, fragmented groups evacuated to different countries: fifty French adults to El Salvador, 200 children to Morocco, seventy-five Hungarians to Palestine. For each of these small successes there was a volley of correspondence and negotiation, coping with tens or hundreds of sets of immigration laws. Many read as paradoxically as Paraguay's did in the 1940s: "Paraguay raises no question with respect to race, color, or religion of the immigrants with the following exceptions: a. The black and yellow races are excluded"; points "b." and "c." went on to exclude elderly and disabled persons (Reel 4, Frame 0245). Allowing refugees in was sometimes only half

the battle, as many nations, such as Australia and Switzerland, refused to take refugees unless their postwar repatriation to their home nations was guaranteed and paid for.

There is no series in the collection so affecting as Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution, part of indirect relief operations aimed at improving conditions for Jews in countries not officially under German control. The WRB and its allies worked to convince the Vatican and Sweden's King Gustaf to apply diplomatic pressure against Hungary in an effort to halt deportations of Hungarian Jews to concentration camps and relax the laws against Jews. These records contain the timeline of anti-Semitic laws introduced in the late 1930s and early 1940s, each eroding a little more the civil and human rights of Hungary's Jewish citizens. What began as quotas of Jews in high-profile professions eventually gave way to barring Jews from employment; restrictions on the number of rooms in a house Jews could own quickly became grounds for mass removals into ghettos where strict curfews were instituted; food for Jews was rationed and in other ways restricted. In Czechoslovakia, for instance, all kosher methods of preparing food were outlawed. These accounts were provided both through the official record and by the testimony of recently rescued Jews whose glimpses inside Europe were eagerly sought and recorded. Their accounts helped rescuers to estimate where the largest groups of Jews still lived and guess at the numbers held or killed in concentration camps.

Another use for eye-witness accounts was for publicity purposes. Robert C. Dexter wrote the following in July 1944, as he transmitted the testimony of two women held in a concentration camp:

Both Mrs. Johnson and Miss Flinder seemed to me to be obviously telling the truth, although it is difficult to understand how any individuals could be as cruel as they reported the Gestapo and the German guards to have been.... The important thing in regard to these stories is that they are first-hand evidence of people who actually saw with their own eyes what was happening in parts of occupied Europe. It seems very much worth while that when these individuals arrive in the United States, they be seen and their stories be taken down in detail. Mrs. Johnson's stories are particularly valuable as she is obviously not Jewish. (Reel 4, Frame 0435).

One eye-witness account stands out. A man evacuated to Palestine through Turkey told his account of being deported to the extermination camp in Treblinka, Poland. The few dozen Jews allowed to live at Treblinka were forced to run the camp, beating new arrivals, stripping them of their clothes, taking the elderly to the "hospital"—a great fire pit of burning bodies—and removing the dead from gas chambers. Most Jews were killed within hours of their arrival. This particular refugee was unique not only for his escape, but his means for surviving the initial rush, which he achieved by stealing clothes after being forced to remove his and assuming the role of one of the Jews chosen to operate the camp. He later escaped with two fellow captives by burying themselves in the mountain of seized clothes (he reported the pile of shoes as being three stories tall) until the camp guards relaxed their patrol following the 7 p.m. curfew. An estimated 800,000 people died at Treblinka, second only to Auschwitz.

One of the last series in the collection is *Records Formerly Classified "Secret*," which gives a better look into the behind the scenes strife of the rescue operations. Perhaps the most notorious exchange scheme was that of Nazi Adolf Eichmann, who proposed

trading one million Jews for ten thousand military trucks. He ordered a Jew, Joel Brandt, to negotiate this deal and Brandt was sent to Turkey where he met with the WRB's Ira A. Hirschmann. A transcript of one of their discussions shows Hirschmann to be surprisingly naïve, and demonstrates the pressures on Brandt:

Ira A. Hirschmann: Aren't you optimistic?

**Joel Brandt:** I have had to leave my wife and family—I am very much afraid—it is not easy to talk about the things they are capable to doing—the Germans. They are my kids and my wife and my mother and I am getting a little nervous.

**IAH:** [W]hat is making you nervous[?] **JB:** I cannot speak about these things.

IAH: You mean that if this does not work out—

**JB:** Yes, it is already more than five weeks since I left Germany....

**IAH:** You are afraid they will do something because you are delayed? **JB:** Very much afraid that they will. They always take their revenge on others. I beg your pardon for getting nervous. I know what they are like. We had problems to solve. If we did steal one man away from a camp—if one man got away they would shoot ten or twenty or fifty. We had many discussions about it, whether we should try to stop getting men away. We decided that we should go on, because we knew that they were shooting and killing them anyway. (Reel 26, Frame 0355)

The proposed exchange for trucks did not go through. Officially the Allies could not justify giving military aid to Germany. Privately it was reported the United Kingdom was reluctant to take on responsibility for a million Jews. Direct payments for Jewish lives were not unheard of however. In early 1945 the Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee brokered a deal with the Nazis to release a substantial number of Jews from the Theresienstadt concentration camp in Czechoslovakia in exchange for 2,000,000 Swedish kroner, or about a million U.S. dollars. The problem was that Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee didn't have anywhere close to a million dollars. The WRB became involved when it was asked for a Treasury license to move funds into Sweden. In an unusual move its representatives had an emergency session with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. to discuss the license and the situation. In a transcription of the conversation Morgenthau summarized what transpired:

Two things happened. The Orthodox rabbis [Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee] have gone and done this thing on their own. They get the people out. They don't have the money, and then they go to the JDC [American Joint Jewish Distribution Committee] and say "We want nine hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars," and this fellow Hymen—is that his name—down there? He says "Well, we don't like it, but what can we do?" Evidently he hasn't been too careful with who he has told that to. And they don't tell us. But if the thing goes wrong—and not only the future treatment of Jews in Europe is at stake, but the whole question of anti-Semitism in this country—and I think that people who are largely to blame are these Orthodox Jews that have gone ahead and not told us. They haven't the money, and then they go ahead and want money.

Morgenthau was worried, perhaps rightly, about a public relations fall-out, but the WRB saw it differently. Inconvenient or not, representatives accustomed to getting refugees out in the tens, not hundreds or thousands, were impressed with what the Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee had accomplished. In the transcript the WRB general counsel, Josiah E. Dubois Jr., boldly interrupted:

I would like to say this one thing, that if we were to be concerned every time—and that is within the last year—with what the refugees are about, issues like that, Mr. Secretary, we wouldn't have saved a single soul. You have got to take those risks. That is a terrific job. There has to be danger in so many things we have done. This is just an example of it, one example. (Reel 27, Frame 0994)

There are many examples of the incredible missions of the War Refugee Board contained in this collection. In addition to the topics explored above there is ample material on the sinking of the refugee ship S.S. *Mefkure*, Eri Jabotinsky's evacuation plan, international media coverage of refugee evacuations, conditions in refugee camps, distribution of food relief, and many more subjects including WRB budgets and receipts. Related collections filmed by LexisNexis include *Papers of the War Refugee Board, Part 1: Correspondence and Reports Files, February 1944—September 1945; President Roosevelt's Response to the International Refugee Situation: The M Project; Holocaust Refugees and the FDR White House; Jewish Displaced Persons Periodicals from the Collections of the Yivo Institute; and Records of the Office of the Assistant Legal Adviser for Educational, Cultural, and Public Affairs, Parts 1–4.* 

### **SOURCE NOTE**

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### **EDITORIAL NOTE**

This microform collection consists of the various documents accumulated and/or produced by the War Refugee Board during its tenure from February 1944 through September 1945. The records of the War Refugee Board consists of 114 boxes of material arranged into fourteen subject or organizational groupings. These groupings include General Records; Projects and Documents File; and smaller separate file groupings on admission of refugees into the United States, account records, correspondence reference forms, press clippings, and the correspondence files of Roswell D. McClelland. The original organization of the files has been retained by the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

Papers of the War Refugee Board, Part 2, of UPA's microfilm publication includes the files comprising boxes 36–59 and 77–81. UPA has microfilmed these files in their entirety and as the individual documents were arranged at the Library.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

The following abbreviations are used three or more times in this guide.

ICRC International Committee of the Red Cross

**JDC** American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee

**OWI** Office of War Information

**POW** Prisoner of War

**UNRRA** United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration

WJC World Jewish Congress

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### **REEL INDEX**

The following is a listing of the documents and folders that compose the Papers of the War Refugee Board, Part 2: Project and Document Files, January 1944–September 1945. The four-digit number on the far left is the frame at which a particular file folder begins. This is followed by the file title, and the date(s) of the file. Substantive issues are highlighted under the heading *Major Topics*, as are prominent correspondents under the heading *Principal Correspondents*. Major Topics and Principal Correspondents are listed in order of first appearance and each topic is listed only once for each folder.

#### Reel 1

Frame No.

#### **Policy Matters**

- 0001 Executive Order: Establishing a War Refugee Board [January 1944 and undated].
- **O012** Executive Order: Abolishment of War Refugee Board [October 1944 and undated].

  Major Topics: Budgets; government employees; War Relocation Authority.

  Principal Correspondents: Milton Sargoy; Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- 0024 The Blockade [January-July 1944].

Major Topics: International immigration law in UK, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Spain, and Portugal; funding rescue operations; ICRC. Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Cordell Hull.

0055 Board's Position Concerning Relief to Refugees in Liberated Areas [May–September 1944].

Major Topics: Limiting WRB to assisting refugees in enemy-occupied areas; WRB activities in Switzerland; UNRRA.

Principal Correspondents: Joseph C. Grew; Cordell Hull.

0066 Board Position on the Palestine Issue [March 1944].

*Major Topics:* UK cooperation; Palestinian state; establishing refugee camps in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica.

Principal Correspondent: John W. Pehle.

0074 Clearance of Certain Licensing with the British [March 1944–January 1945].

*Major Topics:* Lack of UK cooperation; foreign exchange; Treasury licenses for transferring funds; funding aid organizations; ICRC.

Principal Correspondents: Sidney Homer Jr.; Florence Hodel; John G. Winant; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Charles P. Taft; G. F. Therold.

#### 0159 Food and Clothing Stockpiles in Neutral Countries [March-August 1944].

Major Topics: Distribution of food packages to concentration camps; ICRC; WJC; salvaged cargo of S.S. *Christina*; concentration camps in Auschwitz, Buchenwald, Dachau, Ravensbruck, and Sachsenhausen-Oranienburg; UK desire to limit food distribution to France; reception of refugee children by Sweden, Switzerland, and Ireland; quislings; clothing distribution.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Paul Neuberger; Leo T. Crowley; Adolf A. Berle Jr.; Dingle M. Foot; John G. Winant; Oscar Cox.

#### 0267 Rescue of Individuals [February 1944].

Major Topic: Funding aid organizations.

#### Representatives

### 0269 Representatives and Special Attaches: Appointments (Folder 1) [February–May 1944].

Major Topics: Leonard E. Ackerman; James J. Saxon; Charles R. Joy; Dorothy K. Brown; Lawrence S. Lesser; Arthur L. Goodhart; James H. Mann; John Lawler; Leonard E. Ackerman.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; William O'Dwyer; John W. Pehle.

### 0400 Representatives and Special Attaches: Appointments (Folder 2) [March–May 1944].

Major Topics: Robert Dexter; Robert J. Scovell; James G. McDonald; David Blickenstaff; refugees in USSR, Spain; James H. Mann; Covey T. Oliver; Iver C. Olsen.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; William O'Dwyer.

### 0516 Representatives and Special Attaches: Appointments (Folder 3) [February 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: Joseph J. Schwartz; Roswell D. McClelland; Ira A. Hirschmann; Herbert Katzki; Loring C. Christie.

*Principal Correspondents:* William O'Dwyer; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison; Ward Stewart.

#### **Cooperation with Other Governments: United Nations**

#### 0658 Historical Summary [March 1944].

Major Topic: League of Nations.

#### 0677 General Instructions to U.S. Missions [January–February 1944].

*Major Topics:* International immigration laws and practices concerning reception of Jewish refugees; aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; J. B. Friedman.

#### 0716 Australia [January 1944–January 1945].

*Major Topics:* Proposed Jewish colony in Australia; immigration laws; entry of Jewish children; media coverage; postwar repatriation.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; I. N. Steinberg.

#### 0743 Belgian Government in Exile [March-June 1944].

*Major Topics:* Distribution of food packages; evacuation of refugees in occupied territory.

Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Cordell Hull; R. Henry Norweb; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld.

#### 0755 Canada [February-April 1944].

Major Topics: Discrimination in immigration laws and practices against Jews; Jewish Immigrant Aid Society.

*Principal Correspondents:* John W. Pehle; Ray Atherton; Lewis Clark; W. A. Robertson; North Winship.

#### 0782 China [March-April 1944].

*Major Topics:* Victims of Japanese persecution; absence of Chinese prejudice against Jews.

Principal Correspondents: C. E. Gauss; T. V. Soong; Arthur R. Ringwalt; Everett F. Drumright; Harry E. Stevens.

#### 0797 Czechoslovakia Government in Exile [February 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Czech diplomatic intervention to halt Jewish annihilation; Czech Jews in concentration camps; description of conditions at Auschwitz and Birkenau; lethal injection; human experimentation; gas chambers; differences in treatment of Jews and non-Jews at Auschwitz; prosecution of war crimes.

Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

#### 0817 Ethiopia [May 1944].

#### 0820 French North Africa [February-June 1944].

*Major Topics:* Use of military installations in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica to house refugees; Palestine State.

Principal Correspondents: J. A. H. Gammell; Cordell Hull; Selden Chapin; Eric W. Johnson.

#### 0846 Great Britain (Folder 1) [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugees in Poland and Greece; removal of refugees from Italy to North Africa; imports to Sweden and Switzerland; Greek relief ships; efforts to halt the holocaust; evacuation of Jewish French children to Switzerland; postwar repatriation; House of Commons debates.

Principal Correspondents: J. W. Russell; John G. Winant; Cordell Hull; Ware Adams; W. J. Gallman; A. W. G. Randall; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

#### 0960 Great Britain (Folder 2) [January-February 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee rescue attempts; House of Commons debate; ICRC funding; emigration to Palestine; efforts to halt holocaust through diplomacy; WJC; refugees in UK territories.

*Principal Correspondents:* John G. Winant; A. W. G. Randall; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; Hayden Raynor.

#### Reel 2

**Cooperation with Other Governments: United Nations cont.** 

- 0001 Great Britain-Statement on Activities Against Jews [March 1944].
- O005 Great Britain-Policy with Respect to Issuance of Palestine Certificates for Refugees in Neutral Countries [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Latin American passport holders; Palestinian immigration quotas. Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Stephen S. Wise; Cordell Hull; W. J. Gallman; A. W. G. Randall; W. G. Hayter.

#### 0036 Greek Governments in Exile [February 1944–April 1945].

Major Topics: Greek emigration to Turkey; significant decline in Greek Jewish population during World War II; deportation of Jews on trains bound for concentration camps; Greek Red Cross; starvation; forced labor; "Concarde," identifying badges; Baron Hirsch concentration camp; underground evacuation of Jews.

Principal Correspondents: Burton Y. Berry; Gardner Patterson; J. W. Russell; Burton Y. Berry; Samuel Ovavin; Lincoln McVeagh.

#### 0141 India [February-April 1944].

Major Topic: Refugees accepted into India.

Principal Correspondents: George R. Merrell; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

- 0154 Iraq [February 1944].
- 0158 Netherlands Governments in Exile [February 1944–January 1945].

*Major Topics:* Emigration to Palestine; payments to Germany in exchange for liberation of Jews; Jewish aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; H. N. Boon; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld; Paul J. McCormack.

#### 0176 New Zealand [March-June 1944].

*Major Topics:* Emigration of Jewish children; NZ immigration policy; population characteristics.

Principal Correspondents: J. Jefferson Jones III; Walter C. Teagle Jr.

#### 0215 Norwegian Governments in Exile [July 1944].

Principal Correspondent: Rudolf E. Schoenfeld.

- 0223 Palestine [June 1944].
- 0226 Polish Governments in Exile [February–March 1944].

*Major Topics:* Concentration camps Dachau and Neuengamme; food packet delivery; funding refugee rescue operations.

Principal Correspondents: J. Ciechanowski; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld; J. Librach; John G. Winant.

#### 0250 Russia [February 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Executions at Auschwitz; concentration camp trains; fear Germans will execute any remaining Jews in camps prior to a military retreat; USSR invading forces; surviving Jews in liberated Poland and Czechoslovakia; Polish postwar government; refugees in Tripolitania and USSR; USSR persecution of Jews;

emigration to Palestine through Turkey; publication of "Black Book" on the holocaust.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; W. Averell Harriman; John W. Pehle.

#### 0347 South Africa [March-August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugees in Romania; South African Red Cross; postwar repatriation; population characteristics; South African anti-Semitism and media coverage. Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Thomas D. Bowman; Edward M. Groth.

#### 0372 Yugoslavia [September 1944].

#### **Cooperation with Other Governments: Neutral European**

#### 0378 Eire (Ireland) [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish children; Agudas Israel World Organization; refugees in Hungary and France; Roman Catholic Church anti-Semitism.

Principal Correspondents: Aaron S. Brown; Joseph P. Walshe; David Gray; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

#### 0403 Portugal [February 1944-January 1945].

Major Topics: Evacuation of refugees in Portugal to North Africa; postwar repatriation; JDC; Portuguese Red Cross; refugee case studies; concentration camps; refugee names list; Jewish aid organizations; emigration to Palestine; rescue of refugees in enemy-occupied territory; WJC; reception of Jewish children; Portuguese ill-treatment of refugees.

Principal Correspondents: Edward S. Crocker; John W. Pehle; Charles E. Dickerson Jr.; R. Henry Norweb; Robert C. Dexter; E. Dobkin; Cordell Hull.

#### 0539 Spain (Folder 1) [March-April 1945].

Major Topics: Evacuation of refugees in Spain to North Africa and elsewhere; refugee names list; reception of Jewish children from Hungary; efforts to save persons from mass execution; Jewish and members of the German armed forces seeking refuge being housed in the same refugee camp; POW exchange; food supplies at refugee camps.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; David Blickenstaff; Cordell Hull; W. Walton Butterworth; Charles McDonald.

#### 0643 Spain (Folder 2) [December 1942–May 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish refugees in Latin America; passport validity; refugees in France; funding relief efforts; JDC; evacuation of refugees in Spain to North Africa; shipping refugees to Palestine; food supplies at Miranda refugee camp.

Principal Correspondents: Myles Standish; W. Walton Butterworth; Cordell Hull; Carlton Hayes; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; M. W. Beckelman; Philip A. Conrad.

#### 0751 Sweden, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [October 1944–September 1945].

*Major Topics:* Refugees in Finland; Swedish ships used in transporting refugees to Turkey; currency; WJC; reception of Jewish children; estimates of refugees in Sweden; Swedish political leadership.

Principal Correspondents: Herschel V. Johnson; William O'Dwyer; A. U. Fox; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Frances Johnson.

#### 0830 Sweden, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [February–October 1944].

Major Topics: USSR media coverage; compulsory labor conscription; Swedish political leadership; refugees in Estonia and Romania; alien workers; efforts to persuade the Swedish government to approach the German government to permit the release of children; quislings; refugees in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark.

Principal Correspondents: Frances Johnson; Cordell Hull; Franz Arnheim; Tove Filseth.

#### 0936 Sweden, Volume 2, (First Part), (Folder 1) [April-July 1944].

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; refugees and Jewish persecution in Hungary; escapes of imprisoned Jews; refugees in Norway, Finland, and Denmark; mass execution in Czechoslovakia; curfews in Hungary.

Principal Correspondent: Iver C. Olsen.

#### Reel 3

#### **Cooperation with Other Governments: Neutral European cont.**

#### 0001 Sweden: Volume 2, (First Part), (Folder 1) [April-July 1944] Cont.

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; escapes of imprisoned Jews; curfews and Jewish persecution in Hungary; concentration camps in Denmark; mass executions at Auschwitz; forced labor; refugees in Finland; refugees lost at sea during failed escapes.

Principal Correspondent: Iver C. Olsen.

#### 0041 Sweden: Volume 2, (First Part), (Folder 2) [May-June 1944].

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; relocation and persecution of Jews in Hungary; Finnish and Czech refugees in Sweden; Estonian military draft; thwarted Swedish attempt to rescue a ship of 40,000 Romanian Jews; destruction of Jewish-authored books; experiences of women refugees; identifying badges and house markers.

Principal Correspondent: Iver C. Olsen.

#### 0147 Sweden: Volume 2, (First Part), (Folder 3) [February-May 1944].

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; Swedish reception of Finnish refugees; U.S. passports and visas; removal of Jews into ghettos in Hungary; deportation of Belgian Jews to Poland; Jewish persecution in Hungary; sea escape of refugees to Sweden; destruction of Jewish-authored books.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Leopold Basch; Joseph Bick.

#### 0219 Sweden: Volume 2, (Last Part), (Folder 1) [August-October 1944].

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; food supplies for refugee camps; curfews and Jewish persecution in Hungary; Norwegian, Finnish, and Estonian refugees in Sweden; French Jewish children refugees; Swedish passports and visas. Principal Correspondent: Iver C. Olsen.

#### 0336 Sweden: Volume 2, (Last Part), (Folder 2) [August-October 1944].

Major Topics: Swedish media coverage; forced defense labor; Zionism; refugee profiles; refugee escapes by sea; Finnish refugees in Sweden; curfews in Hungary; laws against Jews in Bulgaria; deportation of Hungarian Jews to concentration camps; Swiss opposition to accepting fleeing SS and Gestapo

forces; Danish inspection of Theresienstadt concentration camp; Swedish King Gustaf V intervention to halt Hungarian deportation. *Principal Correspondent:* Iver C. Olsen.

#### 0516 Sweden: Volume 3 [February 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: American Jewish Committee; underground refugee rescue operations; Norwegian and Danish refugees in Sweden; shipping of food supplies; currency; Swedish reception of Jewish children.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Herschel V. Johnson; Adolf A. Berle Jr.; Iver C. Olsen; John G. Winant.

#### 0614 Switzerland [September 1943-August 1945].

Major Topics: JDC; delivery of food packages in enemy-occupied territory; Hungarian and other refugees in Switzerland; funding aid organizations; obstacles to emigration to Palestine through Turkey.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Joseph C. Grew; Roswell D. McClelland; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison.

#### 0742 Turkey [January 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Emigration to Palestine through Turkey; Turkish shipping ports; WJC; refugees in Bulgaria, Romania; Turkish refugee camp; Turkish passports and visas.

*Principal Correspondents:* John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Ira A. Hirschmann; Sol Bloom; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

#### 0911 Argentina [April-August 1944].

Major Topics: Argentine media coverage; emigration to Palestine through Turkey.

#### 0929 Bolivia [January-June 1944].

Major Topics: Latin American passports and visas; refugees in Bolivia. Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle.

#### 0950 Brazil [February-October 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish refugees by Brazil; Brazilian treatment of Jews. Principal Correspondents: Walter J. Donnelly; Morris D. Waldman; Cordell Hull; John F. Simmons.

#### 0978 Chile [May-March 1944].

*Major Topics:* Reception of Jewish children; Chilean immigration laws. *Principal Correspondents:* Cordell Hull; Claude G. Bowers.

#### 0986 Columbia [February-April 1944].

#### 0992 Costa Rica [August 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish children from Hungary; Costa Rican passports. Principal Correspondents: Fay Allen Des Portes; Julio Acosta; Cordell Hull; Edward G. Trueblood.

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#### **Cooperation with Other Governments: Latin American**

#### 0001 Cuba [March-September 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish children from Hungary and France; Latin American passports and visas; Latin American immigration laws.

Principal Correspondents: Garret G. Ackerson Jr.; Cordell Hull; Leland Harrison; Ellis O. Briggs.

#### 0022 Dominican Republic [February-December 1944].

*Major Topics:* Brookings Institution refugee settlement study; population characteristics; reception of Jewish children.

Principal Correspondent. Ellis O. Briggs.

#### 0047 Ecuador [February-December 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee exchange for German citizens; Latin American passports and visas; reception of Jewish children; Ecuadorian immigration law.

Principal Correspondents: C. Ponce Enríquez; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison.

#### 0099 El Salvador [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; reception of Jewish children; Jewish settlements.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Walter Thurston; A. R. Avila.

#### 0120 Guatemala [April-May 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; refugee exchange for German citizens; reception of Jewish children; Israelite Societies of Guatemala.

Principal Correspondents: Boaz Long; Cordell Hull.

#### 0134 Haiti [March-August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee exchange for German citizens; funds for refugee support; aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: J. C. White; Vinton Chapin.

#### 0152 Honduras [February-October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Refugee exchange for German citizens; reception of Jewish children; racial prejudice in Honduran immigration laws.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull.

#### 0166 Mexico [February 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: JDC; refusal to receive Jewish children; Jewish settlements; anti-Semitism in Mexico.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; George S. Messersmith; Herbert S. Burley.

#### 0196 Nicaragua [February-October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Reception of Jewish children; Latin American passports and visas; refugee exchange for German citizens.

Principal Correspondents: Harold D. Finley; Cordell Hull.

#### 0212 Panama [February-September 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; racial discrimination in Panamanian immigration law; Jewish settlements.

Principal Correspondents: A. M. Warren; Samuel Lewis; John J. Muccio.

#### 0230 Paraguay [February-September 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; refugee exchange for German citizens; reception of Jewish children from Hungary and France; Paraguayan media coverage and anti-Semitism; refugee names list.

*Principal Correspondents:* Willard L. Beaulac; Mario Ferrario; Leslie E. Reed; Wesley Frost; Horacio Chiriani.

#### 0262 Peru [January-September 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; refugee exchange for German citizens; reception of Jewish children from Hungary; postwar repatriation; anti-Semitism; Jewish aid organizations; Jewish settlements.

Principal Correspondents: Jefferson Patterson; Cordell Hull; George H. Butler; Rolland Welch.

#### 0288 Uruguay [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Agreement by Latin American countries to accept refugees evacuated to Switzerland; refugee exchange for German citizens; reception of Jewish children; funding refugee support; diplomatic and military strategies to rescue Jews; emigration to Palestine; ICRC.

Principal Correspondents: Edward J. Sparks; Gabriel De Biurrun; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; William Dawson.

#### 0341 Venezuela [February-October 1944].

Major Topic: Venezuelan passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: R. Henry Norweb; Joseph Flack; Frank P. Corrigan.

#### **Cooperation with Other Governments: Other Countries**

- 0366 Afghanistan [December 1944].
- 0370 Egypt [February-April 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee camps; persecution and massacre of Moslems in Bosnia and Herzegovina; UNRRA; emigration of Polish refugees to Palestine; food prices. Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Alexander Kirk; Raymond F. Mikesell.

- 0414 Estonia [August-September 1944].
- 0417 Finland [April-May 1944].
- 0424 Iceland [February-June 1944].
- 0428 Italy [January-September 1944].

Major Topics: Anti-Semitic laws; refugee camps.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Selden Chapin; V. M. Hammer.

- 0441 Saudi Arabia [February 1944].
- 0443 Syria [November 1944].

#### 0446 Tangier [March-September 1944].

Major Topics: Spanish passports and visas for Jews in Hungary; Jewish settlements in Tangier; reception of Jewish children from Hungary.

Principal Correspondent: J. Rives Childs.

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#### 0476 (Folder 1) [February–June 1944].

Major Topics: Anthony Eden and UK House of Commons support for Franklin D. Roosevelt's statement on threat to Jews in Hungary; Commission to Study the Organization of Peace; UN; human rights; German media coverage; anti-Semitism; Murder Inc.; U.S. race relations; U.S. media coverage; publicizing the Holocaust; rescue operations in Hungary.

*Principal Correspondents:* R. B. Parke; John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

#### 0586 (Folder 2) [April-June 1944].

Major Topics: Reaction to Franklin D. Roosevelt's statement on Jews in Hungary; German media coverage; aid organizations; WJC; concentration camps; Hungarian media coverage; curfews and Christian assistance to Jews in Hungary; U.S. psychological warfare.

Principal Correspondents: A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; Jacob Robinson; John W. Pehle; William O'Dwyer; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; Maurice Rice.

#### 0734 (Folder 3) [April-May 1944].

Major Topics: Reaction to Franklin D. Roosevelt's statement on Jews in Hungary; Greek facilitation of Jewish escape; Thomas E. Dewey statement on peoples imprisoned by Nazis; Turkish media coverage; mass execution of Jews; U.S. psychological warfare; persecution of Jews in Hungary and Romania; identifying badges.

*Principal Correspondents:* Lincoln MacVeagh; R. Henry Norweb; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; L. C. Pinkerton.

#### 0819 (Folder 4) [May 1944].

Major Topics: Persecution and deportation to concentration camps of Jews in Hungary; negotiations with Vatican to intervene on behalf of Jews; Hungarian rationing of food for Jews; identifying badges; issuance of temporary passports to Jews; reluctance to using the word "Jew" in Allied statements condemning Nazi activities; liberation of POW camp in Moosburg, Germany; Allied warning to Germans not to massacre Jews during the last days of World War II; German statement that there will be no more Jews in Europe at the end of the war.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; L. C. Pinkerton; Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Florence Hodel; William O'Dwyer; John W. Pehle.

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#### **Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution cont.**

#### 0001 Hungary, (Volume 1), (Folder 1) [August 1944–May 1945].

Major Topics: Anti-Semitic laws; Vatican intervention on behalf of Jews; deportations of Jews to concentration camps; ICRC; forced labor; food supply for Hungarian Jews; seizure of Jewish property and wealth; identifying badges; Swedish King

Gustaf V intervention to halt Hungarian deportation; refugee names list; Jewish aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: Roswell D. McClelland; Paul Guggenheim; John W. Pehle; G. M. Riegner; Kurt R. Grossman; Iver C. Olsen; Raoul Wallenberg; Lillie Schultz.

#### 0171 Hungary, (Volume 1), (Folder 2) [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Anti-Semitic laws; restrictions for baptized Jews; identifying badges; emigration to Palestine; food supply for Jews in Hungary; gas chambers; eyewitness accounts; funding refugee support; WJC; allied warning that operators of deportation trains will be charged with war crimes; U.S. psychological warfare; account of Jan Wolny Auschwitz escape; Jewish workers and business owners; quislings; Christian aid to Jews; Jewish aid organizations; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; population characteristics; salary ceilings for Jews; confiscation of Jewish property.

*Principal Correspondents:* A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; J. B. Friedman; Kurt R. Grossman; Julius Fischer; Carol Klein; Eugene Havas.

#### 0393 Hungary, (Volume 2, A-C), (Folder A-B) [May-October 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. passports and visas; currency; food supply for Jews in Hungary; emigration to Palestine; transport of Jews to Poland for mass executions; Spanish visas for Jewish children.

*Principal Correspondents:* R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull; Charles E. Dickerson Jr.; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; W. Walton Butterworth.

#### 0528 Hungary, (Volume 2, A-C), (Folder C) [May 1944-March 1945].

Major Topics: Rescue efforts of Sweden and Raoul Wallenberg; Spanish letters of protection and visas; death marches; Swedish passports and visas; rape of Jewish women; conditions in deportation trains to concentration camps; emigration of children to Palestine; rabbis; U.S. passports and visas; gas chambers; funding rescue efforts; anti-Semitic laws; seizure of Jewish property; Jewish food rations; identifying badges.

*Principal Correspondents:* Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; Herschel V. Johnson.

#### 0682 Hungary, (Volume 2, D) [April 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Swiss rescue efforts; Spanish letters of protection and visas; anti-Semitic laws; deportations to concentration camps; U.S. race relations; emigration of children to Palestine; ICRC; Latin American passports and visas; conditions in forced labor camps; gas chambers; human experimentation; lethal injection; train routes to concentration camps; Hungarian civic leaders who could be persuaded or compensated to assist Jews.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull.

#### 0904 Hungary, (Volume 2), (Last Part), 2 D-I [October-December 1944].

*Major Topics:* Anti-Semitic laws; U.S. passports and visas; Turkish reception of Jews; emigration to Palestine; concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Laurence A. Steinhardt; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Robert F. Kellev: Burton Y. Berry.

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#### **Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution cont.**

#### 0001 Hungary, (Volume 2), (Last Part), 2 D-I Cont. [October-December 1944].

Major Topics: Jewish lives bartered for diplomatic recognition; WJC; U.S. passports and visas; deportation to concentration camps; emigration to Palestine and the U.S.; funding rescue efforts; transport through Turkey; proposed USSR statement against execution of Hungarian Jews.

*Principal Correspondents:* John G. Winant; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; L. C. Pinkerton.

#### 0111 Hungary, (Volume 3) [July-September 1944].

*Major Topic*: House of Representatives resolutions supporting evacuation of Hungarian Jews to secure nations.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Sol Bloom.

#### 0133 Hungary, (Volume 4) [March 1944-May 1945].

Major Topics: Supplies to surviving Jews in Hungary; ICRC; forced labor; deportation to concentration camps; curfews and identifying badges; conditions in ghettos; Jewish aid organizations; emigration to the U.S.; emigration of children to Palestine.

Principal Correspondents: Charles Huber; John W. Pehle; Marc Peter; Cordell Hull.

### 0320 Hungary, (Volume 4), (Hungarian Language Radio Broadcast: Relating to WRB Problems) [March–May 1944].

Major Topics: Franklin D. Roosevelt statement on evacuation of Jews in Hungary; Cordell Hull statement on German invasion of Hungary; U.S. psychological warfare; underground rescue efforts; Balasy Antal; Alben A. Barkley; appeals to Hungarian citizens to assist Jews; Louis Toth; Elmer Eordogh; Roman Catholic Church; Ira A. Hirschmann; seizure of Jewish property; war crimes; banned books; Joseph E. Guffey; refugees in Poland and Greece.

#### 0421 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 1) [March-August 1944].

Major Topics: Jewish aid organizations; rabbis; deportations to concentration camps; emigration to Palestine; WJC; bribing Gestapo officials to stop deportations; anti-Semitic laws; names list of Jews in the U.S. and their relatives in Hungary.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; A. Leon Kubowitzki; R. Henry Norweb; L. C. Pinkerton; Charles R. Joy; Erno Wittman.

#### 0642 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 2) [June 1944].

Major Topics: Population characteristics; anti-Semitic laws; conditions in ghettos; anti-Semitic propaganda; Jewish business owners; seizure of Jewish property; Jewish aid organizations; WJC; concentration camps Auschwitz and Birkenau; Agudas Israel World Organization.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Aron K. A. Kalamanowitz; A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; Jacob Rosenheim.

#### 0732 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 3) [March–November 1944].

Major Topics: Agudas Israel World Organization; death marches; U.S. media coverage; funding rescue efforts; U.S. passports and visas; emigration to Palestine; deportations to concentration camps; Nicholas Horthy; eye-witness accounts of concentration camps.

#### 0900 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 4) [March-October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Vatican intervention on behalf of Jews; U.S. psychological warfare; deportation to concentration camps; U.S. Apostolic Delegation.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; Amleto G. Cicognani; Ira A. Hirschmann; John W. Pehle.

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#### **Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution cont.**

#### 0001 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 5) [May-October 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. psychological warfare; OWI; Swedish King Gustaf V intervention in Jewish deportation; Nicholas Horthy; mass execution; Archbishop Francis Spellman statement on Jews in Hungary; applications for ownership of seized Jewish property and businesses.

*Principal Correspondents:* Kurt R. Grossman; John W. Pehle; John G. Winant; Elmer Davis; Cordell Hull; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Viktor Bator.

#### 0140 Hungary, (Volume 5), (Folder 6) [May–June 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. and UK psychological warfare (radio broadcasts); U.S. and UK media coverage; gas chambers; German media coverage.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; John G. Winant.

#### 0196 Hungary, (Volume 6) [August-September 1944].

Major Topics: Emigration of children to Palestine; invalidation of passports and visas; ICRC; evacuations to Switzerland; Jewish aid organizations; acceptance of Jewish children by the Dominican Republic, Peru, Uruguay, Ireland, Ecuador, Honduras, Costa Rica; JDC.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull.

#### 0321 Hungary, (Volume 7) [August 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Swiss refusal to protect Jews with irregularly issued Ecuadorian passports and visas; Swiss protection of Jews with Guatemalan passports and visas; Palestinian passports and visas; curfews; ICRC; deportations to concentration camps; Nicholas Horthy; death march.

*Principal Correspondents:* John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; C. Ponce Enríquez.

#### 0459 Hungary, (Volume 8), (Folder 1) [March–June 1945].

*Major Topics:* Disappearance and U.S. media coverage of Raoul Wallenberg; deportation to concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Joseph C. Grew; William O'Dwyer; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

#### 0494 Hungary, (Volume 8), (Folder 2) [March 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Jewish aid organizations; rabbi names list; funding underground relief and evacuation efforts; deportation to concentration camps; Palestinian passports and visas; tracking seized Jewish property.

Principal Correspondents: Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann.

#### 0669 Rumania, (Volume 1), (Folder 1) [March-November 1944].

Major Topics: Deportation to Ukraine; USSR occupying troops; accusations of crimes committed by Jews; JDC; forced labor; seizure of Jewish property; anti-Semitic laws; population characteristics; concentration camps; United Roumanian Jews of America.

Principal Correspondents: Wilhelm Filderman; Marshall Antonescu; Ovidiu Vladescu; Joseph C. Grew; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John G. Winant; Burton Y. Berry; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Leland Harrison.

#### 0829 Rumania, (Volume 1), (Folder 2) [April 1944–June 1945].

Major Topics: Forced labor; anti-Semitic laws; health facilities and services; ICRC; funding evacuation and relief efforts; curfews and identifying badges; penalties for Christians assisting Jews; evacuation ships.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; Ira A. Hirschmann; Marc Peter; George Petranyi; J. E. Schwarzenberg.

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#### **Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution cont.**

#### 0001 Rumania, (Volume 1), (Folder 3) [August 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Romanian transit visas; evacuation by ship; WJC; seizure of Jewish property; anti-Semitic laws; Jews barred from employment; forced labor; population characteristics; U.S. media coverage; orphans of those killed in mass executions; funding relief efforts.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; M. Davidovici; John W. Pehle; Herbert Katzki; E. Costiner; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

#### 0139 Rumania, (Volume 2), (Folder 1) [October 1944–February 1945].

*Major Topics:* Refugee exchange for German citizens; concentration camps; Zionist press; anti-Semitic laws; funding relief efforts; seizure of Jewish property; emigration of children to Palestine; refugees from Hungary.

Principal Correspondents: Herbert Katzki; Wilhelm Fischer; Ehud Ueberall; Wilhelm Filderman.

#### 0281 Rumania, (Volume 2), (Folder 2) [May-October 1944].

Major Topics: Malnutrition; funding relief efforts; anti-Semitic laws; evacuation by ship; emigration of Jews to Palestine; anti-Semitic propaganda; evacuation to Tangier.

*Principal Correspondents:* Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann; G. E. Simond; Wilhelm Filderman; Charles A. Davila.

#### 0450 Bulgaria, (Folder 1) [August 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Funding relief efforts; forced labor; concentration camps; Jewish aid organizations; medical supplies; Jewish repossession of houses confiscated under anti-Semitic laws; population characteristics; Bulgarian media coverage and propaganda; deportation trains; official abolishment of anti-Semitic laws; food supplies to Jews; barring Jews from professions.

Principal Correspondents: Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann; Floyd H. Black; Burton Y. Berry.

#### 0690 Bulgaria, (Folder 2) [July 1944].

Major Topics: Emigration of children to Palestine; evacuation by ship through Turkish ports; bombing of Sofia; Bulgarian leader profiles; ICRC.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann: John W. Pehle.

#### 0808 Rescue from Bulgaria, (Folder 1) [January 1944-April 1945].

Major Topics: U.S. media coverage; medical supplies; WJC; Jewish repossession of houses confiscated under anti-Semitic laws; Turkish reception of Jews in transit to Palestine and elsewhere; population characteristics; Jewish aid organizations; forced labor; deportation trains; emigration of children to Palestine.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Ira A. Hirschmann; Herbert Katzki; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Burton Y. Berry; Nahum Goldman; Cordell Hull.

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#### **Measures Directed Toward Halting Persecution cont.**

#### 0001 Rescue from Bulgaria, (Folder 2) [January-August 1945].

Major Topics: Refugee rescue negotiations; proposed revocation of anti-Semitic laws in exchange for avoiding Sofia as a bombing target; evacuation by ship; U.S. psychological warfare; Jewish quotas in professions; Jewish taxes and naming regulations; identifying badges; seizure of Jewish property; WJC; U.S. media coverage.

Principal Correspondents: Robert F. Kelley; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Samuel W. Honaker; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

#### 0116 Rescue of Jews in Slovakia [September–October 1944].

Major Topics: Vatican intervention on behalf of Jews; deportation to Polish concentration camps; ICRC; intermarriage; malaria epidemic; Jewish arrests; anti-Semitic laws; Jews barred from all professions and schools; laws banning kosher practices; seizure of Jewish property.

Principal Correspondents: Amleto G. Cicognani; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle: Marc Peter.

#### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Relief Projects

### 0365 Red Cross Aid in Rumania, Hungary, Slovakia, Croatia, and Theresienstadt, (Folder 1), 70-51 [January–May 1944].

Major Topics: "Endlagers", or final destination camps; food supply and age distribution in Theresienstadt concentration camp; forced labor; health services; ICRC inspections; JDC; WJC; delivery of food parcels to Theresienstadt.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; Roswell D. McClelland; M. Rossel; John W. Pehle; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Cordell Hull; R. Gallopin.

### 0490 Red Cross Aid in Rumania, Hungary, Slovakia, Croatia, and Theresienstadt, (Folder 2), 50-15 [February–May 1944].

Major Topics: Food supplies to concentration camps; medical supplies; funding ICRC: food supplies to refugees in Turkey; anti-Semitism in Bucovina; evacuation by ship.

*Principal Correspondents:* John G. Winant; Florence Hodel; R. Henry Norweb; R. Gallopin; Carl J. Burckhardt; R. Gallopin; Carl J. Burckhardt.

### 0620 Red Cross Aid in Rumania, Hungary, Slovakia, Croatia, and Theresienstadt, (Folder 3), 14-1 [January–February 1944].

*Major Topics:* Food supplies to refugees and concentration camp prisoners; funding relief efforts; Jewish aid organizations; photographs of food shipments.

*Principal Correspondents:* Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Leland Harrison; Florence Hodel; John G. Winant.

#### 0703 Relief in Shanghai, (Folder 1) [October 1943–June 1945].

Major Topics: JDC; evacuation of rabbinical group; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; medical supplies; funding rescue efforts.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Abraham Kalmanowitz; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Moses A. Leavitt.

#### 0800 Relief in Shanghai, (Folder 2) [February 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: Evacuation of rabbinical group; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; negotiations with Japanese for release; evacuation by ship; Jewish aid organizations; refugee exchange for German citizens.

*Principal Correspondents:* Joseph C. Grew; Abraham Kalmanowitz; John W. Pehle; Florence Hodel; Myron C. Taylor.

#### 0927 Relief in Shanghai, (Folder 3) [May 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Jewish Labor Committee; funding rescue efforts; evacuation of rabbinical group; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange.

Principal Correspondents: Orvis A. Schmidt; Cordell Hull; Abraham Kalmanowitz; Janus Zoltowski; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Moses A. Leavitt.

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#### 0001 Relief through Switzerland, (Folder 1) [May 29 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: National CIO War Relief Committee; Queen Wilhemina Fund, Inc.; medical supplies; funding relief efforts; Labor League for Human Rights; Treasury licenses; Swiss banks.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; John C. Pierce; James Brunot; William O'Dwyer; Suzanne LaFollette; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Siegmund Jeremias.

#### 0169 Relief through Switzerland, (Folder 2) [September 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Queen Wilhemina Fund, Inc.; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; Belgian War Relief Society, Inc.; Swiss banks; Labor League for Human Rights; Friends of Luxembourg, Inc.

Principal Correspondents: Richard H. Mansfield; Orvis A. Schmidt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; W. W. Hoffman; Vivian Flamhaft; Matthew Woll.

### 0303 Relief to Greek and Jewish Refugees on Island of Mauritius [January 1944–April 1945].

*Major Topics:* Clothing; emigration to Palestine; sabotage and explosion of a refugee evacuation ship.

Principal Correspondents: E. Talbot Smith; John W. Pehle.

#### 0333 Relief of Jews in Czech Internment [December 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; food parcels to concentration camps; foreign exchange.

*Principal Correspondents:* Abraham Kalmanowitz; Cordell Hull; C. Burke Elbrick; Orvis A. Schmidt; Florence Hodel.

### O421 Spanish Republican Refugees in France, (International Rescue and Relief Committee) [February–November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Treasury licenses; foreign exchange. *Principal Correspondents:* R. B. Parke; Sheba Strunsky.

### 0451 Relief in France (American Committee for Christian Refugees) [November 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; funding relief efforts; foreign exchange. Principal Correspondents: Leland Rex Robinson; Joseph C. Grew; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Orvis A. Schmidt; Leland Harrison.

#### 0528 Relief in France (Poale Zion Organization) [November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Treasury licenses; foreign exchange. *Principal Correspondents:* David Wertheim; R. B. Parke.

#### 0535 Relief in France (Unitarian Service Committee) [February–October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Treasury licenses; funding relief efforts; Swiss banks; foreign exchange.

Principal Correspondents: R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull; Edward A. Cahill; Orvis A. Schmidt; Charles R. Joy.

#### 0611 Relief to Greeks in Italy [March 1942–March 1944].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; Swiss banks; shipments of food supplies; Swiss Red Cross; ICRC; evacuation of children; American Red Cross. *Principal Correspondents:* Van Arsdake Turner; L. M. Mitchell; F. de Fischer; Orville R. Watkins.

- 0661 Relief to Italians in Switzerland (World Jewish Congress) [January-April 1944].
- 0669 Food Parcels to Camp Bergen-Belsen (Joint Distribution Committee) [April 1944].
- 0676 Relief to Jews in Holland (JDC) [February–March 1944].
- 0686 Relief in Theresienstadt (JDC) [February 1944].

#### 0693 Evacuation to and through Spain (and Portugal) [January 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: UNRRA; refugee housing; food supplies in refugee camps; health facilities; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; evacuation to North Africa; JDC. Principal Correspondents: Edward S. Crocker; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; R. Henry Norweb.

### 0798 Evacuation of Children from France to Spain and Portugal (JDC) [March–November 1944].

Major Topics: Refugees in Latin America; Jewish aid organizations; WJC; emigration to Palestine; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; JDC; refugee names list.
Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John G. Winant; A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; R. Henry Norweb; Edward S. Crocker; Robert C. Dexter; Orvis A. Schmidt; James E. Wood.

#### 0962 Evacuation of Republican Refugees from Spain and Portugal [March-May 1945].

Major Topics: Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee; Unitarian Service Committee; funding rescue efforts; political prisoners; emigration to Mexico.

Principal Correspondents: Charles R. Joy; Florence Hodel; Howard L. Brooks; Edward S. Crocker.

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#### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Spain and Portugal

### 0001 Evacuation of Republican Refugees from Spain and Portugal cont. [January 1944–February 1945].

*Major Topics:* Mexican passports and visas; emigration to Mexico; funding food supplies; travel costs; transportation to North Africa.

Principal Correspondents: Charles R. Joy; Florence Hodel; Edward S. Crocker; Adolf A. Berle Jr.; John W. Pehle; R. Henry Norweb; Charles W. Yost; Marjorie Page Schauffler.

#### 0096 Evacuation from Spain to Lyautey, (Folder 1) [March 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Negotiations with France to establish Fedhala, Morocco refugee camp; paid work for refugees; acceptance of Sephardic Jews at Camp Fedhala and Lyautey; camp admission restrictions.

*Principal Correspondents:* Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; John G. Winant; Selden Chapin; John W. Pehle; Leonard E. Ackerman.

#### 0270 Evacuation from Spain to Lyautey, (Folder 2) [June 1943–March 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee camp admissions standards; acceptance of Sephardic Jews; anti-Semitism in Greece; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Fedhala refugee camp; establishing refugee camps in North Africa.

Principal Correspondents: Selden Chapin; Carlton Hayes; Cordell Hull.

#### 0455 Evacuation from Spain to Lyautey, (Folder 3) [November 1943-September 1944].

Major Topics: Travel costs; funding rescue efforts; emigration to Palestine; persons deemed security risks in refugee camps; UNRRA; refugee camp admissions standards; acceptance of Sephardic Jews; Fedhala refugee camp; OWI broadcasts; security screening process for refugee camp admittance.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; L. W. A'Hearn; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; R. P. Furey; Harold Glasser; Selden Chapin; M. W. Beckelman; Leonard E. Ackerman.

#### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Turkey

### 0701 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [November 1944–June 1945].

*Major Topics:* Postwar repatriation; emigration to Palestine; evacuation by ship; refugee names list; travel costs.

Principal Correspondents: Joseph C. Grew; Earl L. Packer; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Herbert Katzki; L. C. Pinkerton.

#### 0822 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [May-November 1944].

Major Topics: Turkish passports and visas; emigration to Palestine; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; evacuation of children; WJC; Turkish entry permits, or transit visas.

*Principal Correspondents:* Laurence A. Steinhardt; Abraham Kalmanowitz; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Cordell Hull.

#### 0939 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 1, (Folder 3) [January-April 1944].

Major Topics: Turkish entry permits, or transit visas; evacuation by ship; emigration to Palestine; JDC; lend-lease of transportation equipment to Turkey; refugees in Bulgaria.

Principal Correspondents: Alec Easterman; Ira A. Hirschmann; Cordell Hull; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

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### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Turkey cont.

### 0001 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-A, (Folder 1) [February–September 1944].

*Major Topics:* Evacuation by ship; S.S. *Bardaland*; emigration to Palestine; travel costs.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; John G. Winant.

### 0121 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-A, (Folder 2) [March–December 1944].

Major Topics: Evacuation by ship; negotiations with Turkey for use of ships; S.S. *Tari*; safe conduct through German-controlled waters; travel costs; war risk insurance.

Principal Correspondents: Laurence A. Steinhardt; Cordell Hull; Leo T. Crowley; E. S. Land.

## **Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-A, (Folder 3) [February–April 1944].** *Major Topics:* Evacuation by ship; S.S. *Vatan*; travel costs; war risk insurance. *Principal Correspondents:* Laurence A. Steinhardt; John W. Pehle; Leo T. Crowley.

#### 0333 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-B, (Folder 1) [July 1944].

Major Topics: Shipwrecks; small vessels; evacuation by ship; safe conduct through German-controlled waters; Bulgarian ships; railroad transportation; S.S. Milka; negotiations with Turkey for use of ships.

Principal Correspondents: Laurence A. Steinhardt; R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull.

### 0405 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-B, (Folder 2) [August–November 1944].

Major Topics: Conflicting reports on the sinking of S.S. Mefkure; witnesses on the S.S. Bulbul; reports of German torpedo attack.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Ira A. Hirschmann; Kazim Turan; Herbert Katzki.

- 0501 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-B, (Folder 3) [July-August 1944].
  - Major Topics: Conflicting reports on the sinking of S.S. Mefkure; witnesses on the S.S. Bulbul; reports of German torpedo attack; Romanian Red Cross; passenger death; international media coverage of incident; travel costs.
  - Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Kazim Turan; Robert F. Kelley; R. Henry Norweb; John W. Pehle.
- **Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 2-B, (Folder 4) [July–November 1944].** *Major Topics:* Evacuation by ship; Turkish S.S. *Kazbek*; emigration to Palestine; travel costs; JDC; photographs of refugees.
  - Principal Correspondents: Robert F. Kelley; John W. Pehle; Moses A. Leavitt; Selden Chapin; Herbert Katzki.
- **Volume 3, (Folder 1), (3–5) [July–August 1944].**Major Topics: Evacuation by train and ships; negotiations with Turkey for use of ships; S.S. Tari; treasury licenses; Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.; JDC; International Rescue and Relief Committee.
  Principal Correspondents: Livingston T. Merchant; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Robert F.
  - Principal Correspondents: Livingston T. Merchant; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Robert F. Kelley; Ira A. Hirschmann; Orvis A. Schmidt; Johan J. Smertenko; Moses A. Leavitt; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Sheba Strunsky.
- 0824 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 3, (Folder 2), (6-a-b) [March–September 1944].

Major Topics: Danger to refugee ships in German-controlled waters; Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.; emigration to Palestine. Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Eri Jabotinsky; Robert F. Kelley; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Orvis A. Schmidt; Herbert Katzki.

0895 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 4, (Folder 1), (7–8) [August–November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Palestinian passports and visas; refugees in Hungary, Romania, and Bulgaria; evacuation shipping.

Principal Correspondents: Robert F. Kelley; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

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### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Turkey cont.

0001 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 4, (Folder 2), (9-a-c) [May–November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Emigration to Palestine; relocation of WRB employees Virginia D. Henderson and Mary H. Bixler in Turkey.

Principal Correspondents: Laurence A. Steinhardt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Herbert Katzki; Robert F. Kelley; Cordell Hull; Ira A. Hirschmann.

0130 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5, (Folder 1), (11) [March–October 1944].

Major Topics: Refugees in Romania, Bulgaria, and Hungary; emigration to Palestine; repeal of anti-Semitic laws in Bulgaria; evacuation by ship; negotiations with Turkey; safe conduct agreements in German-controlled waters; anti-Semitic laws

in Hungary; Hungarian deportation to concentration camps; eye-witness accounts of Auschwitz; gas chambers; Jews in hiding.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Herbert Katzki; Mihai Antonescu.

## 0318 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5, (Folder 2), (12–14) [October 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: WRB media conference; evacuation by train and ships; refugees in Bulgaria and Romania; refugee exchange for German citizens; U.S. media coverage; refugee names list; refugee photographs; war criminals; postwar repatriation; pillaging of Jewish homes in their absence.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Ira A. Hirschmann; Herbert Katzki.

## 0463 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5, (Folder 3), (15) [March–June 1944].

Major Topics: JDC; ICRC; funding rescue efforts; evacuation by ship; travel costs; food supplies to refugee camps; refugees from Hungary and Poland; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee.

Principal Correspondents: Moses A. Leavitt; Reuben B. Resnik; Ch. Kolb; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

## 0539 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5-A, (Folder 1), (10-A) [September 1943–July 1944].

Major Topics: JDC; refugees in Bulgaria, Romania, Greece, and Hungary; emigration to Palestine; closure of Turkey to refugees.

Principal Correspondents: Eri Jabotinsky; Robert F. Kelley; Joseph C. Hyman; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

## 0617 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5-A, (Folder 2), (10-B) [August 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: JDC; Turkish WRB office closing; evacuation by ship; refugees in Romania, Hungary; S.S. *Tari*; Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.

Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; Herbert Katzki; Charles Passman; Ira A. Hirschmann; Reuben B. Resnik; Joseph Schwartz; David J. Schweitzer.

## 0829 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5-B, (Folder 1), (4–5) [December 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: International Rescue and Relief Committee; Istanbul University; grants to emigrants; ICRC; non-Jewish German intellectuals faced with deportation from Turkey following a break in Turkish-German diplomatic relations; refugee names list; medical supplies; Jewish Agency for Palestine; emigration to Palestine.

Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; Herbert Katzki; Philipp Schwartz; Ira A. Hirschmann; Leon P. Denenberg; Ehud Ueberall.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Turkey cont.

0001 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5-B, (Folder 1), (4-5) Cont. [February–October 1944].

Major Topics: Refugees in Romania; evacuation by ship; emigration to Palestine; conflicting reports on the sinking of S.S. Mefkure; refugee names list. Principal Correspondents: Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann; G. Ehud Ueberall; Charles Barlas.

- 0094 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 5-B, (Folder 2), (6) [April–March 1945].
  - Major Topics: Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; closing of Turkish WRB office; Latin American passports and visas; refugee names list; rabbis; evacuation by ship; limitations for escape for orthodox Jews.
  - Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann; Abraham Kalmanowitz.
- 0166 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 7 [September-October 1944].
  - Major Topics: Anyalya Umumi Nakliyat (shipping organization); evacuation by ship; bombing of railroad lines; travel costs; export licenses; clothing; Palestinian passports and visas; delivery of cigarettes for U.S. employees; break in Turkish-German diplomatic relations.
  - Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Charles Barlas; Virginia D. Henderson; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Herbert Katzki; Philipp Schwartz.
- 0333 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 8 [February 1944–January 1945].
  - Major Topics: Refugees in Bulgaria, Romania, and Hungary; Jewish aid organizations; forced labor; clothing; evacuation by ship; S.S. *Tari*; selection of émigrés to Palestine; reduction of Hungarian anti-Semitic laws; refugee case studies; Kant family; UNRRA process for tracing friends and relatives.
  - Principal Correspondents: Robert F. Kelley; Herbert Katzki; Wilhelm Filderman; Ira A. Hirschmann; Virginia D. Henderson; Samuel Schinback; Leslie Albion Squires; Mrs. Mark A. Roston; Leonard E. Ackerman.
- 0525 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 9, (Folder 1) [July-October 1944].
  - Major Topics: Refugees in Bulgaria and Romania; evacuation by ship; sinking of S.S. Vita and S.S. Mefkure; aid organization joint planning meetings; securing ships for refugee use.
  - Principal Correspondent: Herbert Katzki.
- 0606 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 9, (Folder 2) [April 1944–January 1945].
  - Major Topics: Palestinian passports and visas; war crime and criminals; JDC; orphans of parents killed in mass executions; clothing; funding relief efforts; financial contributions of wealthy Jews; refugee names list; refugee exchange for German citizens; implementation of anti-Semitic laws; evacuation by ship; refugee living expenses; refugees in Yugoslavia, Romania; ICRC; Birkenau concentration camp gas chambers; interracial marriage; eye-witness accounts of Westerbork concentration camp.
  - *Principal Correspondents:* Herbert Katzki; Wilhelm Fischer; E. Costiner; Ira A. Hirschmann; Charles Barlas.

### 0786 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 10 [February 1945].

Major Topics: Food parcels to refugees; emigration of children to Palestine; U.S. passports and visas; refugees in Bulgaria, Hungary, and Romania; deportations to concentration camps; evacuation by ship; Palestinian media coverage; anti-Semitic laws.

*Principal Correspondents:* Herbert Katzki; Virginia D. Henderson; Ira A. Hirschmann; Frank G. Wisner; Judah Magnes.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Turkey cont.

### 0001 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 11, (Folder 1) [July 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: WRB personnel files; deportation to concentration camps on the Greek Island of Rhodes; evacuation by ship; sinking of the S.S. Vita; refugee names list; bribes.

Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; Philip Ernst; Herbert Katzki; Earl L. Packer; Wilfred V. McDonald; Ira A. Hirschmann; Robert F. Kelley.

## 0212 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 11, (Folder 2) [March 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Statistics on emigration to Palestine and refugees in Bulgaria, Hungary, and Romania; refugee passenger names list. Principal Correspondent: Charles Barlas.

## 0342 Evacuation to and through Turkey, Volume 11, (Folder 3) [June-August 1944].

Major Topics: Eye-witness accounts of persecution of Jews in Poland; resistance groups; deportation to concentration camps; forced labor; food supplies in Jewish ghettos; air raids; emigration to Palestine; Jewish aid organizations; refugee names list; murder of children; deportation trains; eye-witness account of a first day at the Treblinka extermination camp; executions of elderly; escape from Treblinka.

Principal Correspondents: Euer Josek; David Milgrem; E. Marton; Alexander Guttman; Esther Guttman; Ira A. Hirschmann; Karol Staniszewski; Charles A. Davila.

#### 0491 Newspaper Clippings [May-November 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. media coverage; war crimes; emigration to Palestine; French and Turkish media coverage; Ira A. Hirschmann; John W. Pehle; Laurence A. Steinhardt; evacuating Jews through Turkey and Spain; Hortense Monath Hirschmann.

#### 0611 Rescues from Hungary and the Balkans, (UOR) [March 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee funding of rescue work; WRB operating costs.

*Principal Correspondents:* Herbert Katzki; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Israel Rosenberg.

### 0671 Steinhardt Ambassador: (Clippings) [April-May 1944].

Major Topics: Laurence A. Steinhardt; evacuation by ship; Ira A. Hirschmann; U.S. media coverage in Yiddish and English; refugee camps; John W. Pehle; emigration to Palestine.

#### 0707 Transfer of Jews from Transnistria to Turkey [November 1943–August 1944].

*Major Topics:* Evacuation by ship; WJC; deportation to concentration camps; care for orphans; clothing; food supplies in ghettos.

Principal Correspondents: Alfred E. Zollinger; Laurence A. Steinhardt; R. Gallopin; J. B. Friedman.

## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Switzerland

#### 0852 Evacuation to Switzerland, (Folder 1) [June 1944–August 1945].

Major Topics: Jewish aid organizations; false document industry; refugees in France, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia; deportations to concentration camps; Saly Mayer; bribes; funding rescue and relief efforts; U.S. psychological warfare; food parcels to refugees and persons in hiding; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; JDC; ICRC; WJC.

Principal Correspondents: Roswell D. McClelland; Joseph C. Grew; David White; William O'Dwyer; Leland Harrison.

### 0977 Evacuation to Switzerland, (Folder 2) [March-August 1945].

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Switzerland cont.

#### 0001 Evacuation to Switzerland, (Folder 2), Cont. [September 1943–March 1945].

Major Topics: WJC; refugees from Theresienstadt; refugee names list; funding rescue efforts; negotiations with Swiss government to accept refugees.

Principal Correspondents: Leon Kubowitzki; Herbert W. Emerson; John G. Winant.

## 0070 Movement of Refugees from Switzerland, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [February–March 1945].

Major Topics: UNRRA; refugee names list; Philippeville refugee camp. Principal Correspondents: Roswell D. McClelland; William O'Dwyer; Joseph C. Grew.

## 0160 Movement of Refugees from Switzerland, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [February–March 1945].

Major Topics: Refugee names list; Philippeville refugee camp; refugee health condition; emigration to Latin America; refugee exchange for German civilians. Principal Correspondents: Herbert H. Lehman; Joseph C. Grew; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

## 0256 Movement of Refugees from Switzerland, Volume 2, (Folder 1) [August 1944–August 1945].

Major Topics: Palestinian passports and visas; refugees from Bergen-Belsen and Theresienstadt concentration camps; emigration to Palestine; Philippeville refugee camp; refugees from Hungary; Jewish aid organizations.

*Principal Correspondents:* Leland Harrison; Roswell D. McClelland; John G. Winant; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; J. Klahr Huddle.

## 0408 Movement of Refugees from Switzerland, Volume 2, (Folder 2) [August 1944–August 1945].

Major Topics: Refugee camps; Philippeville refugee camp; refugees from Bergen-Belsen and Theresienstadt concentration camps; UNRRA; forced labor; evacuation to North Africa.

Principal Correspondents: Walter W. Ostrow; John G. Winant; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; Herbert H. Lehman; J. Klahr Huddle; John J. McCloy; Leland Harrison; Florence Hodel.

## 0557 Evacuation of Abandoned Children from France, (Folder 1), (A–D) [April 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Evacuation of children through Switzerland; reception of children in Latin America; deportation to concentration camps; persons in hiding; U.S. passports and visas; U.S. immigration age limits.

*Principal Correspondents:* J. B. Friedman; Myles Standish; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Joseph H. Murphy; Leland Harrison; John G. Winant.

## 0701 Evacuation of Abandoned Children from France, (Folder 2), (E–F-6) [May–August 1944].

Major Topics: United States Committee for the Care of European Children, Inc.; JDC; evacuation of children to Switzerland; U.S. passports and visas; U.S. immigration age limits; American Committee of OSE; WJC; reception of children in Cuba.

Principal Correspondents: Moses A. Leavitt; John W. Pehle; Donald A. Lowrie; L. Wullman; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Cordell Hull.

## 0811 Evacuation of Abandoned Children from France, (Folder 3), (F-9–G) [April–May 1944].

*Major Topics:* Reception of children in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and Peru; financial support for settled children.

Principal Correspondents: Walter Thurston; Mario Ferrario; J. C. White; Cordell Hull.

## 0865 Joint Distribution Committee Operations in France [February–March 1944].

*Major Topics:* Saly Mayer; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange. Principal Correspondent: Orvis A. Schmidt.

# 0887 Rescue of Refugees from France (SECE—Selfhelp of Emigrés from Central Europe, Inc.) [February–September 1944].

*Major Topics:* Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; refugee names list. *Principal Correspondents:* Fred Weissman; Orvis A. Schmidt; John W. Pehle.

## 0929 Rescue of Refugees from France and Italy, (IRRC-International Rescue and Relief Committee) [February 1944].

*Major Topics:* Rescued refugee profiles; JDC; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange. *Principal Correspondents:* Orvis A. Schmidt; R. B. Parke; Sheba Strunsky.

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# Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Evacuation To and Through Switzerland cont.

#### 0001 World Jewish Congress Operations [March 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; JDC; Swiss banks. Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Leland Harrison; Joseph H. Murphy; Cordell Hull; Orvis A. Schmidt.

### 0089 Switzerland—New Program, (Folder 1) [February-March 1945].

Major Topics: Acquiring trucks, trains, and gasoline for food relief transportation; UNRRA; ICRC; medical supplies; clothing; food parcel delivery to concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Joseph C. Grew; Leland Harrison; Florence Hodel; William O'Dwyer.

#### 0196 Switzerland—New Program, (Folder 2), (25-49) [March-April 1945].

Major Topics: Acquiring trucks, tires, and gasoline for food relief transportation; food parcel delivery to concentration camps; Bergen-Belsen, Ravensbueck, and Theresienstadt concentration camps; liberation and evacuation of concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; Leland Harrison; William O'Dwyer; Herbert Katzki; James H. Mann; Joseph C. Grew.

#### 0289 Switzerland—New Program, (Folder 3), (50-86) [April–June 1945].

Major Topics: Acquiring trucks, tires, and gasoline for food relief transportation; survivors at the Theresienstadt concentration camp; food parcel delivery to liberated concentration camps; ICRC; Bergen-Belsen and Ravensbruck concentration camps; U.S. Yiddish media coverage; war crimes.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; James H. Mann.

#### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Rescue Projects

#### 0416 Evacuation of Refugees from Finland [February 1944–August 1945].

Major Topics: Support of evacuated refugees; Swedish passports and visas; JDC; refugee names list; Finnish population characteristics.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull.

#### 0513 Evacuation from the Island of Rab [November 1943–April 1944].

Major Topics: Jewish aid organizations; clothing; refugee camps; refugees from Yugoslavia: WJC.

*Principal Correspondents:* Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Henry L. Stimson; Henry Morgenthau Jr.; John G. Winant.

#### 0599 Evacuations from Greece [February 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Deportation to concentration camps in Poland; refugee names list; rabbis; Jewish aid organizations; persons in hiding; evacuation by small ships; anti-Semitic laws; forced labor; public humiliation of Jews; seizure of property; Baron Hirsch concentration camp.

Principal Correspondents: Herbert Katzki; Ira A. Hirschmann; Laird Archer; Alfred H. Cohen.

### 0679 Evacuation to and through Sweden, (Folder 1) [March 1944–August 1945].

Major Topics: Refugees from concentration camps; Ravensbruck concentration camp; refugee names list; U.S. passports and visas; ICRC; food supplies for refugees; Jewish aid organizations; refugees from Estonia, Lithuania, and Latvia; Swedish legal and illegal evacuation actions; refugee camps.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Cordell Hull; Herschel V. Johnson.

### 0814 Evacuation to and through Sweden, (Folder 2) [June 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; International Rescue and Relief Committee; delivery of food parcels to Poland.

Principal Correspondents: Orvis A. Schmidt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Sheba Strunsky; Herschel V. Johnson; Tove Filseth; John W. Pehle.

### 0927 Evacuation to and through Sweden, (Folder 3) [July-November 1944].

Major Topics: Support for refugees in Finland; WJC; delivery of food parcels to refugees; Swedish and Jewish aid organizations; funding relief efforts.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Joseph C. Grew; Herschel V. Johnson; Cordell Hull.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Rescue Projects cont.

#### 0001 Evacuations to Italy and the Mediterranean Area [April-May 1944].

*Major Topics:* Funding relief efforts; refugees from Hungary and Yugoslavia; refugee camps.

Principal Correspondents: Leonard E. Ackerman; Charles M. Spofford.

#### 0081 Rescue and Relief in France [March 1945].

*Major Topics:* Labor League for Human Rights; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; funding relief efforts; French Relief Fund, Inc.

Principal Correspondents: Suzanne LaFollette; Florence Hodel; John G. Winant; Orvis A. Schmidt; L. C. Aarons.

#### 0143 Rescue of Czechoslovakians [September 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; Labor League for Human Rights; funding relief efforts; National CIO War Relief Committee; improper use of relief funds; labor unions; United Czechoslovak Relief; American Relief for Czechoslovakia, Inc.

Principal Correspondents: Suzanne LaFollette; Ján Be ko; Cordell Hull; R. B. Parke; Orvis A. Schmidt.

#### 0205 Rescue of Norwegians, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [February–November 1944].

Major Topics: American Relief for Norway, Inc.; funding relief efforts; National CIO War Relief Committee; Labor League for Human Rights; food supplies; clothing; American Labor Relief to Norway; support of refugees liberated from concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Birger Osland; Herschel V. Johnson; John W. Pehle; Iver C. Olsen; Lars Evensen; Suzanne LaFollette; A. E. Wigeland.

#### 0312 Rescue of Norwegians, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [April–June 1944].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; American Relief for Norway, Inc.; funding relief efforts; National CIO War Relief Committee; Labor League for Human Rights; Norwegian Federation of Labor; United Czechoslovak Relief.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Orvis A. Schmidt; Suzanne LaFollette; Siegmund Jeremias; A. E. Wigeland; William O'Dwyer.

## 0428 Rescue of Norwegians, Volume 2, (Folder 1), (5-A-G) [July-December 1944].

Major Topics: National CIO War Relief Committee; Labor League for Human Rights; funding relief efforts; foreign exchange; evacuation by ship; escape to Sweden; American Relief for Norway, Inc.; food supplies to refugees in Norway and Sweden; clothing; escape routes.

Principal Correspondents: Siegmund Jeremias; Suzanne LaFollette; John W. Pehle; Herschel V. Johnson: A. E. Wigeland: Lars Evensen.

#### 0529 Rescue of Norwegians, Volume 2, (Folder 2) [April–June 1945].

Major Topics: American Relief for Norway, Inc.; food parcels to Norwegian labor camp; clothing; funding relief efforts.

Principal Correspondents: A. E. Wiegland; William O'Dwyer; Herschel V. Johnson; Iver C. Olsen; Lars Evensen; Martin Tranmäl.

#### 0630 Rescue of Norwegians, Volume 3 [March-July 1945].

Major Topics: American Relief for Norway, Inc.; relief publications; funding relief efforts; Swedish rationing system; relief parcels to refugees in Norway; Norwegian Church.

Principal Correspondents: Birger Osland; William O'Dwyer; Sophus Norborg; Iver C. Olsen.

# Transfer of Jews from Poland to Hungary, etc. (Jewish Labor Committee) [February 1944].

## 0696 Transfer of Jews from Poland and Hungary, (Union of Orthodox Rabbis) [January 1944–January 1945].

*Major Topics:* Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; funding relief efforts; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange.

Principal Correspondents: Roswell D. McClelland; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; William O'Dwyer; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Orvis A. Schmidt.

## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Means of Effecting Rescues

#### 0767 Broadening American Exchange Standards [April-May 1944].

Major Topics: Latin American passports and visas; refugee names lists; Fedhala refugee camp; negotiations for refugee exchange for German citizens in Spain; WJC; UK management of exchanges for refugees with Palestinian passports and visas; Emergency Advisory Committee for Political Defense; forged passports. Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

## 0849 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [May–August 1944].

Major Topics: Reception of Jewish refugees by nations including Algeria, Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, and Paraguay; deportation to concentration camps; forged papers; refugee names list; WJC; Ecuadorian citizens interned at

Bergen-Belsen; refugees in Hungary; U.S. Censorship interception of packages containing Latin American passports needed by Jewish refugees; refugees deported from Vittel and Drancy concentration camps, France.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; Adolf A. Berle Jr.

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## 0001 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [February–August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee names list; refugees in Lithuania; rabbis; mass execution of Jews with Latin American passports; refugee exchange for German citizens; WJC; deportation from Vittel, France, concentration camp; Costa Rican and Haitian passports and visas; Agudas Israel World Organization; Jewish Labor Committee; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Paraguayan passports and visas.

*Principal Correspondents:* A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; Leland Harrison; Amleto G. Cicognani; Jacob Rosenheim.

## 0121 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 1, (Folder 3) [May 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee names list; refugees interned in Vittel, France; Chilean passports and visas; refugee exchange for German citizens; Costa Rican and Cuban passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: Selden Chapin; Cordell Hull; Julio Acosta.

## 0224 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 1, (Folder 4) [July–October 1944].

Major Topics: Ecuadorian citizens interned at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; expired passports; forged passports; El Salvadoran passports and visas; Vatican intervention on behalf of Latin American Jews; Guatemalan and Haitian passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: C. Ponce Enríquez; Dean Acheson; Cordell Hull; James W. Gantenbein; Boaz Long; Gerhard Lescot; Selden Chapin.

## 0373 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 2, (Folder 1) [December 1943–October 1944].

Major Topics: Honduran passports and visas; refugees interned in Vittel, France; refugee names list; refugee exchange for German citizens; Vatican intervention on behalf of Latin American Jews; refugees interned at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Palestinian passports and visas; forged passports; Nicaraguan and Paraguayan passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: John D. Erwin; Silverio Lainez; Cordell Hull; John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld.

## 0530 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 2, (Folder 2) [August–November 1944].

Major Topics: Peruvian passports and visas; refugee exchange for German citizens; refugee names list; Vatican intervention on behalf of Latin American Jews;

refugees interned in Vittel, France; evacuation by ship; S.S. *Drottingholm*; Paraguayan passports and visas; deportation of persons holding Latin American passports; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Bolivian and Haitian passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; Jefferson Patterson; Charles E. Dickerson Jr.; R. Henry Norweb; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Carlton Hayes; W. Walton Butterworth.

## 0656 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 3, (Folder 1) [October 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Paraguayan and El Salvadoran passports and visas; WJC; Swiss negotiations for refugee exchanges with Germany; Nazi destruction of passports; persons with Latin American passports interned at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; Honduran passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; J. Klahr Huddle; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

## 0774 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 3, (Folder 2) [September 1944].

Major Topics: Deportation and disappearance of refugees interned in Vittel, France; El Salvadorian passports and visas; deportations to Auschwitz concentration camp; persons with Latin American passports interned at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; refugee names list; Venezuelan and Haitian passports and visas; Swiss negotiations for refugee exchanges with Germany; Paraguayan, Bolivian, and Haitian passports and visas; forged passports.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Means of Effecting Rescues

0001 Recognition of Latin American Passports, Volume 3, (Folder 3) [April-July 1944].

Major Topics: Exchange of German citizens for persons interned in Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; refugee names list; Agudas Israel World Organization; children refugees in Switzerland; deportation and disappearance of refugees interned in Vittel, France; reception of refugees in Bolivia; forged passports; Uruguayan passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; Frank P. Corrigan.

## 0149 Recognition of Portuguese Jews in Greece [May-June 1944].

*Major Topic:* Reception of Jews in Portugal who have any connection to the nation. *Principal Correspondents:* R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull.

#### 0168 Recognition of Spanish Jews in Athens [February-April 1944].

*Major Topics:* Reception of Sephardic Jewish refugees by Spain; Jewish aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

### 0202 Reinstatement of Turkish Citizenship to Refugees in France [February–July 1944].

Major Topics: WJC; Turkish efforts to evacuate its Jewish citizens from France; deportations to concentration camps; evacuation by ship; S.S. Necat; refugees in Romania.

*Principal Correspondents:* A. Leon Kubowitzki; John W. Pehle; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Cordell Hull.

#### 0247 Joint Exchange Project [April–July 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee exchange for German citizens; Palestinian passports and visas.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull.

#### **Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Temporary Havens**

#### 0255 Temporary Havens: Alaska and Virgin Islands [February 1944].

*Major Topic*: Virgin Island immigration and alien worker law. *Principal Correspondents:* Wilbur J. Carr; Nathan R. Margold.

#### 0315 Temporary Haven in Latin America [November 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. media coverage; Polish refugee colony in Mexico.

## 0324 Temporary Havens in North Africa: Tripolitania & Cyrenaica [February–August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee camps in Libya; Libyan population characteristics. Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; John G. Winant; R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

### 0393 Temporary Havens in Virgin Islands [November 1940].

Major Topic: Jewish aid organizations.

## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Permanent Resettlement

0403 Egypt [March-June 1944].

Major Topics: UNRRA; Greek and Polish refugees in the Middle East.

## 0421 In Other Countries, (British East Africa) [February 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee camps; East African Refugee Administration.

- 0429 In Other Countries, (Mexico) [February–March 1944].
- 0434 In Palestine [February 1944].

Major Topic: U.S. House of Representatives hearings on Israeli statehood.

- 0447 In the United States [undated].
- 0449 Mexico [April 1943-August 1944].

*Major Topics:* Reception of Jewish refugees by Mexico; Polish refugees. *Principal Correspondents:* George S. Messersmith; J. B. Friedman.

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### 0503 International Red Cross [January 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: JDC; liberation from concentration camps; relief for refugees in Serbia; ICRC publications; published photographs of refugees; refugees in USSR; WJC; evacuation by ship to Palestine.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; William O'Dwyer; Marc Peter; Elliott M. Shirk; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Leland Harrison; Max Huber; R. Gallopin; J. W. Schwarzenberg; Daniel J. Reagan; Herbert W. Emerson.

## United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [October–November 1944].

*Major Topics:* UNRRA publications; funding relief efforts; U.S. media coverage; health services.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Donald R. Heath.

## 0788 United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [January–September 1944].

Major Topics: UNRRA publications; German diversion of European food supply; U.S. media coverage; Jewish aid organizations; physicians; refugee camps in Egypt; health services; refugee camp in Lyautey, Morocco; U.S. Congress appropriations to UNRRA.

Principal Correspondents: Patrick Murphy Malin; Lucille M. Segal; W. P. Dearing; Therese Kerze; M. W. Beckelman.

## 0920 United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, (UNRRA), Report on, Volume 2, (Folder 1) [November 1943–March 1945].

*Major Topics:* UNRRA publications; funding and supplying relief efforts; refugee camps.

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### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Cooperation with Other Agencies

United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, (UNRRA), Report on, Volume 2, (Folder 1) Cont. [November 1943].

Major Topics: UNRRA budget.

0090 United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration: Resolutions on Policy [September 1944].

Major Topic: UNRRA Budget.

### 0128 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 1, (Folder 1) [August 1944].

Major Topics: Acquiring passports and visas for refugees; escape from Theresienstadt concentration camp to Switzerland; U.S. psychological warfare; refugees in Poland and Hungary; refugee names list.

Principal Correspondents: Patrick Murphy Malin; Joseph C. Grew; John G. Winant; Martha H. Biehle; Arthur Goodhart.

- 0254 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 1, (Folder 2) [September 1943–July 1944].
  - Major Topics: Evacuation of children in France; refugee camps in North Africa; funding relief efforts.
  - Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Patrick Murphy Malin; Herbert W. Emerson; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.
- O368 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 1, (Folder 3) [January–March 1944].

  Major Topic: Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees membership.

  Principal Correspondents: Clifford E. Heathcote-Smith; Myron C. Taylor; Cordell Hull.
- 0433 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 2, (Folder 1) [January 1944–August 1945].
  Major Topic: Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees funds.
  Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Joseph C. Grew; Edward R.
  Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; W. J. Gallman; Herbert W. Emerson.
- **Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 2, (Folder 2) [April 1944–April 1945].** *Major Topics:* JDC; Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees funds; Saly Mayer; Treasury licenses.
  - Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Moses A. Leavitt; John G. Winant; Florence Hodel; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Orvis A. Schmidt.
- O725 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 3, (Folder 1) [March–May 1944].

  Major Topics: Aid organizations jurisdictions; refugees in Italy; deportation to concentration camps; JDC; travel documents for stateless refugees; Geneva convention.
  - Principal Correspondents: Henry Morgenthau Jr.; John W. Pehle; Ira A. Hirschmann; Cordell Hull; Clifford E. Heathcote-Smith; John G. Winant; Myron C. Taylor; Charles M. Spofford.
- **Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 3, (Folder 2) [August 1944–July 1945].** *Major Topics:* Spanish refugees in France; Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees funds; travel documents for stateless refugees; Theresienstadt concentration camp.
  - Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Martha H. Biehle; Herbert W. Emerson.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Cooperation with Other Agencies

- O001 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 3, (Folder 3) [July 1944].
  Major Topics: Refugees in Switzerland; postwar repatriation; UNRRA.
  Principal Correspondents: Herbert W. Emerson; John G. Winant; Patrick Murphy
  Malin; Howard Bucknell Jr.
- O103 Intergovernmental Committee, Volume 3, (Folder 4) [March 1944–June 1945].
  Major Topics: U.S. media coverage; Herbert W. Emerson; postwar Jewish refugee settlement; Earl G. Harrison; refugees in Hungary; U.S. Congressional appropriations for the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees.
  Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; Martha H. Biehle.

### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Government Agencies

### 0200 Budget Circulars, Folder 1 [August 1945].

*Major Topic*: Government employees and pay. *Principal Correspondent*: Harold D. Smith.

#### 0344 Budget Circulars, Folder 2 [January-November 1944].

Major Topic: Government employees and pay. Principal Correspondent: Harold D. Smith.

#### 0514 Bureau of the Budget [March 1944-September 1945].

*Major Topics:* Liquidation of WRB; government employees and pay. *Principal Correspondents:* William O'Dwyer; Harold D. Smith; John W. Pehle.

- 0699 Department of the Interior [May-September 1944].
- 0705 Department of Justice, (Immigration and Naturalization Service) [July-September 1944].

### 0718 Foreign Economic Administration, Volume 1 [February-April 1944].

*Major Topics:* Refugees in Brazil; evacuation by trains through Turkey; lend-lease of railroad stock to Turkey.

Principal Correspondents: Homer Jones; John W. Pehle; Leo T. Crowley; Florence Hodel.

## 0792 Foreign Economic Administration, Volume 2 [December 1943].

Major Topics: Refugees in and distribution of food parcels to Greece; German food imports to Greece; shipment of food from Turkey and Canada.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Government Agencies

## 0001 General Accounting Office [July 1944–January 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; government employees and pay. Principal Correspondents: Lindsay C. Warren; J. D. Denit.

- 0120 Navy Department [March 1944–January 1945].
- 0125 Office of Censorship [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Intercepted personal communications to German POWs and others; food supplies; interception of WRB and American Red Cross communications. Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Byron Price; Annie H. Lockett; Orvis A. Schmidt.

#### 0215 Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion [July 1945].

*Major Topics:* Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion publications; European food supplies.

#### 0257 Office of Strategic Services, Volume 1 [October 1943–September 1945].

*Major Topics:* Hungarian political and civic leader personal profiles; Jewish refugees in Hungary.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer: John W. Pehle: Lawrence S. Lesser.

### 0333 Office of Strategic Services, Volume 2, Folder 1 [September–October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Refugees in Hungary and Romania; Jewish population and anti-Semitism in Latin America; anti-Semitic propaganda.

Principal Correspondents: J. B. Friedman; William L. Langer.

#### 0459 Office of Strategic Services, Volume 2, Folder 2 [January-August 1944].

*Major Topics:* Postwar repatriation; distribution of non-Jewish refugees; Bruno Kleist; ship repair.

Principal Correspondents: Fletcher Warren; John W. Pehle; Louis Dolivet.

#### 0541 Office of War Information [November 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: United States Government Manual; U.S. psychological warfare. Principal Correspondents: Elmer Davis; R. P. McCullough; John W. Pehle; Virginia M. Mannon.

### 0664 Post Office Department [June 1944–October 1945].

Principal Correspondents: J. J. Haggerty; David White.

## 0706 State Department, Volume 1, Folder 1 [March 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Immigration and Naturalization; President's War Relief Control Board; UNRRA; war crime and criminals; U.S. immigration laws.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Charles P. Taft; Joseph C. Grew.

## 0800 State Department, Volume 1, Folder 2 [January-February 1944].

Major Topics: Jewish refugees in France with Turkish passports; refugee camps in North Africa; Jewish aid organizations; refugee children in occupied areas; Vittel, France transit and concentration camp; refugees on Rab Island and in Switzerland; WJC.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Joseph H. Murphy; Franklin D. Roosevelt; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull.

#### 0902 State Department Bulletins, Volume II [May 1945].

Major Topic: Historic treatment and population characteristics of Jews in Germany.

#### 0929 Treasury Department [February-June 1945].

Major Topic: Surplus Property Board.

#### 0948 War Department, Volume 1 [January 1944–September 1945].

*Major Topics:* Distribution of kosher food; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; refugee widow and widower remarriage; war crime and criminals.

*Principal Correspondents:* F. R. Sweeney; William O'Dwyer; Sidney S. Rubenstein; Florence Hodel; John W. Pehle; Henry Morgenthau Jr.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Other Government Agencies

## 0001 War Department, Volume 2, Monthly Reports on Financial Aspects of the Allied Occupation of Germany [April–May 1945].

*Major Topic*: German assets, looting, and banks. *Principal Correspondent*: Bernard Bernstein.

### 0198 War Relief Control Board [July 1942-August 1944].

Major Topics: Funding evacuation efforts; budgets. Principal Correspondents: James Brunot; John W. Pehle.

## 0331 War Relocation Authority [undated].

#### 0334 War Shipping Administration [February-July 1944].

*Major Topic:* Evacuation by ship of children from Switzerland to Ireland. *Principal Correspondents:* Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Cooperation with Other Agencies: Private Organizations

### 0355 Cable Facilities [July 1944–May 1945].

Major Topics: Unitarian Service Committee; U.S. censorship prevention of communication with aid organizations; Agudas Israel of America; Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.; American Committee for Christian Refugees, Inc.; Israel Mereminski; WJC.

*Principal Correspondents:* Florence Hodel; Charles R. Joy; John W. Pehle; Jacob Rosenheim; Laurence A. Steinhardt.

## 0398 Funds for Board Purposes [undated].

### 0400 Measures Proposed to Board [undated].

Major Topic: List and proposals of Jewish and other aid organizations.

### Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons

## 0469 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 1, Folder 1, (1–25) [February–July 1944].

Major Topics: Delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; ICRC; clothing; salvaged cargo of S.S. Christina.

*Principal Correspondents:* Leland Harrison; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Eldred D. Kuppinger; Dingle M. Foot.

## 0566 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 1, Folder 2, (26–64) [July–August 1944].

Major Topics: Salvaged cargo of S.S. Christina; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; ICRC; American Red Cross; funding food relief efforts; WJC.

Principal Correspondents: Leland Harrison; John W. Pehle; Orvis A. Schmidt; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

## 0712 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 2, Folder 1, (1–25) [September 1944].

Major Topics: ICRC; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; JDC; funding food relief efforts; supply shipments; salvaged cargo of S.S. *Christina*; WJC. *Principal Correspondents:* Henrietta K. Buchman; John W. Pehle; Moses A. Leavitt; John G. Winant.

## 0791 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 2, Folder 2, (26–65) [September–October 1944].

Major Topics: WJC; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; American Red Cross; uprising at Auschwitz concentration camp; clothing.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Kurt R. Grossman; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; A. Leon Kubowitzki; John G. Winant; Herschel V. Johnson; Marc Peter.

## 0922 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 3, Folder 1, (1–25) [November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Clothing; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; American Red Cross; WJC; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp.

Principal Correspondents: John G. Winant; Kurt R. Grossman; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Leland Harrison; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Arthur C. Robinson.

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## Programs with Respect to Relief and Rescue of Refugees: Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons

## 0001 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 3, Folder 2, (26–51) [November–December 1944].

Major Topics: Delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; ICRC; WJC; American Red Cross; salvaged cargo of S.S. *Christina*; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; funding food relief efforts; supply shipments.

*Principal Correspondents:* Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Kurt R. Grossman; J. Klahr Huddle; John W. Pehle; Paul J. McCormack.

# 0105 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 4, Folder 1, (1–36) [December 1944–February 1945].

*Major Topics:* Delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; ICRC; clothing; WJC; supply shipments.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Florence Hodel; Joseph C. Grew; Kurt R. Grossman; J. Klahr Huddle; Roswell D. McClelland.

## 0216 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 4, Folder 2, (36–54) [February–March 1945].

Major Topics: Supply ground transportation; Saly Mayer; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; ICRC; WJC; JDC; American Red Cross; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp.

Principal Correspondents: Joseph C. Grew; Leland Harrison; Paul J. McCormack; Florence Hodel; William O'Dwyer; Basil O'Connor.

## 0281 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 5, Folder 1, (1–38) [March 1945].

*Major Topics:* Delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; WJC; American Red Cross; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; ICRC; funding food relief efforts; supply ground transportation.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Kurt R. Grossman; Leland Harrison; John G. Winant; Dean Acheson; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

## 0404 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 5, Folder 2, (39–63) [September 1944–April 1945].

Major Topics: WJC; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; liberation of Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; contracts with food suppliers; American Red Cross; Bergen-Belsen internee names list; Theresienstadt concentration camp; refugee names list; War Food Administration.

Principal Correspondents: Kurt R. Grossman; Joseph C. Grew; William O'Dwyer; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison; Franklin D. Roosevelt; John G. Winant; Basil O'Connor; Ralph W. Olmstead.

### 0521 Food Packages for Unassimilated Persons, Volume 6 [May-June 1945].

Major Topics: ICRC; WJC; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; funding food relief efforts.

Principal Correspondents: Henry Morgenthau Jr.; William O'Dwyer; Franklin D. Roosevelt; Roswell D. McClelland.

## 0566 Food Packages for Russia [December–February 1945].

Major Topics: Funding food relief efforts; JDC.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; Henrietta K. Buchman.

#### 0573 Netherlands Food Packages [August 1944].

Major Topics: Delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; refugee names list.

## O681 Food Packages: War Food Administrating Schedule of Commodities and Sale Price Quotations [November 1944–February 1945].

*Major Topics:* Government contracts with food suppliers; packaging. *Principal Correspondent:* M. L. Brenner.

### 0838 206,000 POW Parcels [January 1945–February 1946].

*Major Topics:* Budgets; UNRRA; delivery of food parcels to concentration camps; American Red Cross.

Principal Correspondents: Frank B. Gatchell; Robert W. Cavanaugh; Royall Tyler; John G. Winant; Leland Harrison; Joseph C. Grew; Florence Hodel.

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#### 0001 Administrative Accounts: Switzerland [October 1944–May 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets and funding relief efforts; aid organizations; receipts; support of refugees.

Principal Correspondent: Roswell D. McClelland.

## O091 American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee: Licenses—Resume Operations in Hungary and the Balkans [June–August 1944].

Major Topics: Foreign exchange; Saly Mayer; Treasury licenses.

Principal Correspondents: R. Henry Norweb; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle.

#### 0120 Ascher, [Aschner] Leopold, (Request for Specific Aid) [June 1944–January 1945].

*Major Topic:* Escape of Leopold Aschner from a Hungarian concentration camp to Switzerland.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull.

### 0151 Bogdanffy, Eugene [July 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Hungarian Americans; private rescue operations; bribing Otto Braun and other Nazis to escape Europe; Saly Mayer; funding rescue efforts.

Principal Correspondents: Eugene Bogdanffy; Lawrence S. Lesser; Erno Wittman; Chauncey L. Waddell; John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Theodore F. Koop.

#### 0207 Joel Brandt Proposal, Folder 1, (29–59) [July–October 1944].

Major Topics: Nazi Adolf Eichmann proposal to exchange the lives of one million Hungarian Jews for ten thousand trucks; Brandt proposal to pay money for weekly release of Jews; U.S. and UK decision not to negotiate; JDC; UK media coverage of Eichmann proposal.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Lawrence S. Lesser; Robert F. Kelley; John G. Winant; L. C. Pinkerton; Edward S. Crocker; Reuben B. Resnik.

### 0335 Joel Brandt Proposal, Folder 2, (1–29)—Reverse Filing [May–July 1944].

Major Topics: Nazi Adolf Eichmann proposal to exchange the lives of one million Hungarian Jews for ten thousand trucks; U.S. and UK decision not to negotiate; Brandt discussions with Nazi leaders; individual escape operations from concentration camps; deportations to concentration camps.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Cordell Hull; L. C. Pinkerton; John W. Pehle; Joel Brandt; Leslie Albion Squires; Reuben B. Resnik.

#### 0470 Council of Rescue of the Jews in Poland [June-August 1944].

Major Topics: WJC; Polish government rescue efforts; persons in hiding; deportation to concentration camps; mass executions; Jewish resistance and destruction of Treblinka death camp; JDC.

Principal Correspondents: A. Leon Kubowitzki; John G. Winant.

#### 0554 Deneberg, Leon P. [November 1944].

### 0563 Denunciation of Jews in Bucharest [November 1944].

Major Topics: Traitorous acts committed by persons trusted by Jewish groups; improper diversion of rescue and relief funds; Palestine Rescue Committee. Principal Correspondents: Bernard A. Towell; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

#### 0573 England, (James H. Mann) [September 1944].

Major Topics: Treasury licenses; funding relief efforts.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; James H. Mann.

## 0581 Escape of Refugees and Escapes Across French-Spanish Border [June–July 1944].

Major Topics: Allied invasion of France; JDC.

Principal Correspondents: W. Walton Buttonworth: Bussell H. S.

Principal Correspondents: W. Walton Butterworth; Russell H. Sweet; John W. Pehle.

### 0617 Evacuation of Refugees to and Through Turkey [July 1944].

*Major Topics:* Evacuation by ship; emigration to Palestine. *Principal Correspondent*: Laurence A. Steinhardt.

### 0626 Evacuation of Yugoslav Refugees, Folder 1: (A-C) [April-December 1944].

Major Topics: UNRRA; refugee camps in North Africa; health facilities and services; refugees in Italy; Palestinian passports and visas; Philippeville refugee camp; evacuation by ship.

Principal Correspondents: J. H. Hilldring; Robert D. Murphy; Selden Chapin; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Cordell Hull; J. B. Friedman; Ira A. Hirschmann.

#### 0764 Evacuation of Yugoslav Refugees: Folder 2: (D-G) [October-December 1944].

Major Topics: Tito; anti-Semitism in Yugoslavia; evacuation by ship; Fedhala refugee camp; refugees in Italy.

Principal Correspondents: Leonard E. Ackerman; John W. Pehle; Herbert H. Lehman; James J. Saxon.

## 0854 Funds for Relief Work in Switzerland [August 1944].

Major Topics: Budgets; JDC; Jews in Greece; Treasury licenses.

Principal Correspondents: Cordell Hull; John W. Pehle; Leland Harrison; Orvis A. Schmidt.

### 0888 German Proposals through Sweden [June 1944–June 1945].

Major Topics: Refugees in Sweden liberated from concentration camps; women freed from Ravensbruck; surrender negotiations with Heinrich Himmler; Holocaust denial; ICRC; evacuation by ship; Swedish Red Cross.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwyer; Herschel V. Johnson; Heinrich Himmler; R. Brandt; Felix Kersten; Leland Harrison; Cordell Hull.

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- 0001 Goldberg, Arthur J. [November 1944].
- 0006 Henderson, Virginia D. (Mrs.) [July-September 1944].
- 0011 Hungarian, (Horthy), Offer [July-August 1944].

Major Topics: Proposed agreement for the U.S. and UN to care for Hungarian Jews reaching neutral UN territory; ICRC; refugee camps in Palestine.

*Principal Correspondents:* John G. Winant; John W. Pehle; Robert F. Kelley; J. B. Friedman; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison.

#### 0162 Jabotinsky, Eri, Folder 1 [April 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Emigration of Jews to Palestine; deportation of Jabotinsky from Turkey and arrest in Palestine; Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.; evacuation by ship; Palestinian media coverage; United Palestine Appeal.

Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; William O'Dwyer; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; Will Rogers Jr.; Laurence A. Steinhardt; Herbert Katzki.

#### 0274 Jabotinsky, Eri, Folder 2 [March-June 1944].

Major Topics: Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc.; Jabotinsky trip to Turkey; evacuation by ship; deportation of Jabotinsky from Turkey and arrest in Palestine; U.S. media coverage.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull.

- 0351 Katzki, Herbert [March 1944].
- 0354 LaGuardia Case [March-April 1945].

Major Topics: Gemma LaGuardia Glueck, sister of Fiorello LaGuardia, interned at Ravensbruck concentration camp; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

Principal Correspondents: Helen Cohen; Herschel V. Johnson; Fiorello LaGuardia.

0402 Latvia, (Jewish Persons In) [May 1944].

Major Topic: Refugee names list.

0419 Saly Mayer's Negotiations in Switzerland, Folder 1: (40-68) [July 1944-May 1945].

Major Topics: Funding relief efforts; JDC; Treasury licenses; foreign exchange; Nazi proposal to exchange the lives of one million Hungarian Jews for ten thousand trucks

- Principal Correspondents: Joseph C. Grew; Roswell D. McClelland; Orvis A. Schmidt; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; J. Klahr Huddle; Leland Harrison.
- 0528 Saly Mayer's Negotiations in Switzerland, Folder 2: (1–39) [July–October 1944].

*Major Topics:* JDC; Nazi proposal to free Jews for 2,000,000 Swedish kroner in relief supplies; funding negotiations.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; Leland Harrison; John W. Pehle; R. Henry Norweb; Cordell Hull.

0666 Negotiations in Switzerland—Including German Proposals, Folder 1: (A: 1–3), (B: 1–29) [June–August 1944].

Major Topics: Palestinian passports and visas; deportations to concentration camps; forced labor; Saly Mayer; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; negotiations to keep deportees from gas chambers; negotiations to exchange lives of Hungarian Jews for money; JDC.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; Leland Harrison; Orvis A. Schmidt.

0789 Negotiations in Switzerland—Including German Proposals, Folder 2: (B: 40–64) [August 1944–February 1945].

Major Topics: Saly Mayer; deportation to Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; negotiations to exchange lives of Hungarian Jews for money; Treasury licenses; Slovakian Jews; WJC; release to Switzerland of Jews from Theresienstadt concentration camp in exchange for money, negotiated by Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee.

*Principal Correspondents:* Leland Harrison; John W. Pehle; Cordell Hull; J. Klahr Huddle; Florence Hodel.

0914 Negotiations in Switzerland—Including German Proposals, Folder 3: (B: 65–94) [February–March 1945].

Major Topics: Saly Mayer; release of Jews from Theresienstadt concentration camp in exchange for money, negotiated by Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; Treasury licenses; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee request for money from the JDC to complete exchange.

Principal Correspondents: J. Klahr Huddle; Joseph C. Grew; A. Leon Kubowitzki; Florence Hodel; Orvis A. Schmidt; John W. Pehle; Henry Morgenthau Jr.

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## 0001 Negotiations in Switzerland—Including German Proposals, Folder 3: (B: 65–94) [February–March 1945] Cont.

Major Topics: Saly Mayer; release of Jews from Theresienstadt concentration camp in exchange for money, negotiated by Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; Treasury licenses; JDC; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee request for money from the JDC to complete exchange.

Principal Correspondents: William O'Dwver: L. C. Aarons.

## 0039 Negotiations in Switzerland—Including German Proposals, Folder 4: (B: 95–124) [March–August 1945].

Major Topics: Release of Jews from Theresienstadt concentration camp in exchange for money, negotiated by Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee; negative publicity for U.S. Jews for negotiating with Nazis; Treasury licenses; JDC; Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee request for money from the JDC to complete exchange.

Principal Correspondents: Florence Hodel; Orvis A. Schmidt; Roswell D. McClelland; Moses A. Leavitt; A. Leon Kubowitzki.

#### 0151 Palestine Certificates [October 1944].

### 0154 Prominent Hungarian Jewish Industrialists in Portugal [June-August 1944].

Major Topics: Refugee names list; release of wealthy Jews from Hungary. Principal Correspondents: Herschel V. Johnson; R. Henry Norweb; Edward S. Crocker.

#### 0180 Recognition of Latin American Passports [May–July 1944].

*Major Topics:* Dominican Republic passports and visas; refugee names list. *Principal Correspondents:* John W. Pehle; Adolf A. Berle Jr.

#### 0206 Report of Trip to Spain and Portugal (Mr. Mann) [August-December 1944].

Major Topics: JDC dispute with WJC; emigration of children to Palestine; refugees in Spain; refugee names list.

Principal Correspondent: James H. Mann.

#### 0305 Rumania and Bulgaria [March-October 1944].

*Major Topics:* Israeli statehood; S.S. *Mefkure* disaster; evacuation of refugees from Bulgaria and Romania; S.S. *Tari*; evacuation by ship.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; John W. Pehle.

#### 0359 Seckel, Friedrich W. [June 1944].

*Major Topic*: Political and civic leaders in Bulgaria and Romania. *Principal Correspondent:* Ira A. Hirschmann.

#### 0400 Statement by General Eisenhower [September-November 1944].

Major Topics: U.S. psychological warfare; U.S. media coverage; Eisenhower appeal to Germans to disregard orders to persecute or harm Jews.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John J. McCloy.

### 0437 Strategic Services, Office of, (Classified) [August 1944].

Major Topic: Refugees in Greece.

### 0445 Sweden [September 1944].

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; John W. Pehle.

## 0461 Sweden—Iver Olsen's Reports, Volume 1, Folder 1, (5–12) [June 1944–June 1945].

Major Topics: Refugees in Norway, Bulgaria; evacuation by small ships; Lithuanian intellectuals evacuation to Sweden; refugee names list; receipts; refugees in Latvia.

Principal Correspondent: Iver C. Olsen.

## 0568 Sweden—Iver Olsen's Reports, Volume 1, Folder 2, (1–4) [June–November 1944].

Major Topics: Receipts; refugees evacuated from Estonia; refugee names list; Swedish media coverage; USSR anti–U.S. media coverage; Latvian refugees in Sweden; rescue efforts in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland, Denmark, and Hungary; evacuation by small ship.

Principal Correspondents: Iver C. Olsen; Herschel V. Johnson.

#### 0698 Yugoslav Refugee Committee [April-June 1944].

Major Topics: Funding relief efforts; Jewish aid organizations.

Principal Correspondents: Edward R. Stettinius Jr.; John W. Pehle; Selden Chapin.

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### "Liquidation" Correspondence—Records Relating to Individual Accounts

#### 0001 WRB: Liquidating Correspondence [September 1945–January 1946].

*Major Topics:* Jewish aid organizations; Jewish settlement in Palestine; Arab-Israeli conflict; displaced persons camps.

Principal Correspondents: Orvis A. Schmidt; E. O. Keater; Joseph Huber.

#### 0064 WRB: Liquidating Correspondence [May 1946].

Major Topic: Displaced persons camps.

Principal Correspondents: Orvis A. Schmidt; Julius Neiman.

#### 0084 WRB: News Clippings [July-September 1945].

Major Topics: U.S. media coverage; Palestinian immigration quotas; bribes; forged passports; JDC; Bergen-Belsen concentration camp; displaced persons continuing to be trapped in former concentration camps; American Red Cross; budgets; food supplies delivered overseas.

#### 0182 Accounting for War Refugee Board—Confidential Funds [1944–1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; government employees.

## 0241 Account of John W. Pehle [March-August 1944].

Major Topic: Receipts.

Principal Correspondents: John W. Pehle; Iver C. Olsen; A. P. Madden.

#### 0386 Account of Robert C. Dexter [April-November 1944].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondents: Robert C. Dexter; David White.

#### 0427 Account of Robert F. Kelley [April 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondent: Earl L. Packer.

### 0450 Account of Ira A. Hirshman [April-July 1944].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondents: Ira A. Hirschmann; David White.

## 0556 Account of Roswell D. McClelland [April 1944–July 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts; bribes; Jewish aid organizations. Principal Correspondents: Roswell D. McClelland; David White.

#### 0678 Account of James H. Mann [August-November 1944].

*Major Topics:* Budgets; receipts; Swiss banks; John G. Winant; Jewish aid organizations.

Principal Correspondent: James H. Mann.

#### 0813 Account of Herbert Katz [June 1944-August 1945].

*Major Topics:* Budgets; receipts; emigration to Palestine; orthodox refugees. *Principal Correspondents:* R. R. Cunningham; Leland Harrison; Herbert Katzki.

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### "Liquidation" Correspondence—Records Relating to Individual Accounts

### 0001 Account of Iver Olsen: WRB Funds [May 1944–March 1945].

*Major Topics:* Budgets; receipts; aid organizations. *Principal Correspondents:* Iver C. Olsen; Arne Seir.

### 0097 Account of Iver Olsen: Other Funds [July 1944–June 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

#### 0129 Account of Ward Stewart [February-August 1944].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondents: Ward Stewart; A. P. Madden.

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#### 0270 Istanbul Cash Account #1, Folder 1 [July 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondent: Herbert Katzki.

#### 0389 Istanbul Cash Account #1, Folder 2 [September 1944–March 1945].

Major Topics: Receipts; government employees and pay.

Principal Correspondents: Virginia D. Henderson; Mary H. Bixler; George Lazarides.

#### 0462 Istanbul Cash Account #2, Folder 1: Hirschmann [February-October 1944].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

#### 0597 Istanbul Cash Account #2, Folder 2: Kelley-Packer [March-December 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets: receipts.

Principal Correspondents: Earl L. Packer; Paul J. Kahn.

### 0620 Istanbul Cash Account #2, Folder 3: Miscellaneous [July 1944-August 1945].

Major Topics: Budgets; receipts.

Principal Correspondents: David White; Earl L. Packer; Virginia D. Henderson; Eleanor C. Bergman.

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