Admission of Refugees to U.S.
(Free Ports and Emergency Shelter)
In reply please refer to: 1466

Dear Mr. Dabney:

Thank you for your letter of June 17, 1944, concerning the Emergency Refugee Shelter being established at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, to give temporary asylum to approximately 1,000 refugees who have fled from their homelands to Southern Italy.

Your support for this program and your interest in measures for saving the lives of the victims of enemy oppression are deeply appreciated.

I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to rescue these persecuted people and to find havens of refuge for them where they can remain in safety and be cared for until they can be returned to their own countries at the end of the war. In this connection, I am sure you will be interested to know that arrangements have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Virginius Dabney,
Editor,
Richmond Times Dispatch,
Richmond 11, Virginia.
Mr. J. W. Pehle, Executive Director,
War Refugee Board,
Washington, 25,
D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

I appreciate your writing me about the President's action with respect to the Emergency Refugee Shelter at Oswego, New York. My hope is that this is merely the beginning of something more substantial. I realize that it could not possibly be done, unless definite and specific arrangements were made in advance for returning all the refugees to Europe after the war, but I am hopeful that some such plan can be worked out. The big objection to bringing them in lies, of course, in the fear of many persons that they will not go back. Consequently, some assurances as to this are essential, if the plan is to be expanded. I hope very much that it can be.

Sincerely yours,

Virginius Dabney.
Mr. J. W. Fehle, Executive Director,
War Refugee Board,
Washington, 25,
D. C.
In reply please refer to: 844

Dear Mr. Dabney:

Since my reply to your recent letter to the President concerning temporary havens in the United States for refugees, the President has taken action for the establishment of an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. I am sure you will be interested in reading the attached copies of the President's recent message to Congress, his cablegram of June 8, 1944, to Ambassador Robert Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of the same date to the agency heads concerned with the execution of the plan.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you again for the interest which you have expressed in this matter.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pohle

J. W. Pohle
Executive Director

Mr. Virginius Dabney,
Richmond Times-Dispatch,
Richmond 11, Virginia

Enclosures:

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In reply please refer to: 844

JUN 3 1944

Dear Mr. Dabney:

The President has referred to me your letter of May 24, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens for refugees.

Your interest in this problem is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Virginius Dabney,
Richmond Times-Dispatch,
Richmond 11, Virginia.
My dear Mr. President:

I am presuming to address you on the subject of the Jewish and other refugees in Europe whose position becomes increasingly terrible as the Nazis take over additional territory and grow more and more desperate.

It seems to me that the least our country can do, in response to this urgent appeal from hundreds of thousands of persons threatened with imminent death is to provide temporary refugee camps or "free ports" for them. As I understand it, they would be allowed to enter for a limited period only, but it would be for a long enough period to enable them to escape the Nazi firing squads.

I know the difficulties which lie in the way, but I know too how anxious you are to save these people from destruction. I am taking the liberty of addressing you, because I imagine you wish to have as much support as possible in any steps you may wish to take.

Trusting it will be your pleasure to extend succor to these helpless human beings who are in the very shadow of Hitler's executioners, I am

Respectfully yours,

Virginius Dabney

The President,
The White House,
Washington,
D. C.
John W. Felse

Ali Sir.

May I ask you to lend your good offices to see that the great project of Free Port for Refugees is speedily accomplished? Thank you.

Pace Daniel

Free Ports
In reply please refer to 3163

AUG 12 1944

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dannenberg:

President Roosevelt has referred to your letter of July 24, 1944, concerning the plight of the Jewish people in Europe.

On January 9th, 1944, the President created the War Refugee Board for the purpose of taking all possible measures to rescue and save the victims of enemy oppression who are in imminent danger of death, and to afford them all possible relief and assistance consistent with the successful prosecution of the war.

To accomplish the purpose for which it was created, the War Refugee Board has initiated numerous measures to assist persons to escape from enemy and enemy-occupied countries, to find havens of refuge for them, to obtain better treatment for those for whom escape is not possible, and to induce the satellite countries to desist from cooperating with the Nazi policy of persecution and extermination of minority peoples. The Board has stationed representatives in strategic countries in order to expedite these measures.

In connection with the problem of finding places of asylum for those who are enabled to escape from enemy-controlled areas, you will be interested to know that the President has recently taken action to establish an Emergency Refugees Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, which is equipped to care for approximately 1,000 refugees until they can be returned to their homelands, at the end of the war. Arrangements also have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

I assure you that the Board is doing everything in its power to achieve its humanitarian objectives, knowing that the measure of its success will be the number of lives saved.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Dannenberg,
230 N. Boardman Street,
Youngstown, Ohio.
330 E. Boardman St., Youngstown, Ohio
July 24, 1944.

The Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Roosevelt:

We wish that something effective could be done for the Jews of Europe. We believe that it would be humane and wise to furnish a temporary asylum for them here in our country. If we could receive those refugees who are already in Sweden and Switzerland, this would make room in those two countries for more refugees from German-occupied nations.

Also we would favor providing financial aid and food for the support of these refugees in neutral countries.

Respectfully yours,

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dannenberg
In reply please refer to 2036

Dear Mrs. Dannenhirsch:

Thank you for your recent card concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mrs. C. Dannenhirsch,
1416 Grange Street,
Philadelphia 41, Pennsylvania.

cc: Mr. Samuel Klein.

Enclosures.
Dear Sir:

We are vitally interested in the establishment of "free ports" in the United States for refugees from stricken lands of Europe. We understand that proposals regarding these ports are now being discussed in Congress and we sincerely urge you to speak favorably on them.

Write letter to → Mrs. C. Dannenhirsch.
Copy to → Mr. Samuel Klein
1416 GRANGE ST. Phila. 41 Pa.
In reply please refer to: 1456

JUN 24 1944

Dear Mr. Darman:

The President has referred to me your recent letter concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Fehle

J. W. Fehle
Executive Director

Mr. Arthur I. Darman,
Arthur I. Darman Company, Inc.,
Darman Building,
Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

Free Porte

Enclosures.
The President  
Washington, D. C.  

My dear Mr. President:  

I was very pleased to read in the reports of your recent press conference that you expressed yourself in favor of free ports to give asylum to the refugees who are able to escape from the terror of Hitler dominated Europe. As one who is interested in alleviating the sufferings of others, I am very happy to learn that this great humanitarian measure has the support of our Chief Executive.

As a means of accomplishing at the earliest possible moment the desired end, may I respectfully urge you to establish such free ports in this country, both to provide at once a number of free ports and also to give moral inducement to other countries to do likewise.

Knowing that the great majority of Americans share your humanitarianism, I feel confident that this measure which you have endorsed will be put into effect, however, one of the most often made accusations against democracy is that it is very slow moving, and I therefore urge you to bring your influence to bear to bring about the establishment of free ports at the earliest possible moment, for every day we delay will mean the needless massacre of countless, helpless victims.

I am, dear Mr. President,

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Arthur I. Darman

AID/o
Dear Mr. Dash:

Thank you for your letter of July 9, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 9, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. A. J. Dash,
615 West 150th Street,

Enclosures.
July 9, 1944

War Refugee Board
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Free Ports for Refugees offer a ray of hope for the multitudes of condemned Jews of Europe. They symbolize a move on the part of civilized peoples of the world to rescue their tormented brothers. It is the crying wish of many Americans to offer this means of saving human lives now. I and my family are such Americans and urge the readying of such facilities as military camps and the immediate transfer to them...
of as many unfortunate as can be made possible without delay.

Very sincerely yours,

A. J. Dash

615 West 150th St
New York 31, N.Y.
A.C. Dash
611 W. 150th St
N.Y. 31, N.Y.

War Refugee Board
Washington, D.C.
In reply please refer to: 951

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Davidson:

Thank you for your recent card concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944 to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]  J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. and Mrs. Max Davidson,
2021 North Broad Street,

Enclosures.

JBTowler:imp 6/15/44

Dear Sir:

We are vitally interested in the establishment of "free ports" in the United States for refugees from stricken lands of Europe. We understand that proposals regarding these ports are now being discussed in Congress and we sincerely urge you to speak favorably on them.

Name: Clara Darden
Address: 2621 N. Broad St.

Name: Mary Darden
Address: 2621 N. Broad St.

Name: Mark Darden
Address: 2621 N. Broad St.
Dear Miss Davidson:

The President has referred to me your recent letter concerning the Emergency Refugee Shelter being established at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, to give temporary asylum to approximately 1,000 refugees who have fled from their homelands to Southern Italy.

Your support for this program and your interest in measures for saving the lives of the victims of enemy oppression are deeply appreciated.

I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to rescue these persecuted people and to find havens of refuge for them where they can remain in safety and be cared for until they can be returned to their own countries at the end of the war. In this connection, I am sure you will be interested to know that arrangements have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Eleanor G. Davidson,
2000 Davidson Avenue,
Bronx, New York.
My Dear Mr. President,

I was very much heartened by your recent speech in which you announced your commendable intentions of establishing one refugee shelter at Fort Ontario. You said, "I feel that it is important that the U.S. indicate that it is ready to share the burden of caring for refugees during the war." As a great and liberal nation, Mr. President, we must do more than merely indicate our good intentions. This is a time for tokens, and the establishment of one refugee center is no more than that.

The United States has always stood as a haven of refuge for the oppressed. Can we now deny our birthright as a nation by refusing temporary shelter to most of those who are fleeing persecution by our enemies?

In the name of liberty and humanity, we must open the temporary shelters of refugee camps to one thousand but to one hundred thousand, we have placed the number of enemies we...
will feed and clothe as prisoners of war, we must not deny the unvanquished victims what we so freely grant their vanquished persecutors. Therefore, let us offer them a haven not in one but in a hundred camps throughout the nation. We must not continue to shut the door in the harrassed faces of so many anti-Nazi refugees.

Yours truly,

Eleanor S. Davidson
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Davis:

The President has referred to me your letter of June 11, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. and Mrs. A. Davis,
3929 Carpenter Avenue,
Bronx, New York.

Copy to: Mr. Jack Davis

Enclosures.
New York City, N.Y.
June 11th, 1944.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt,
White House,
Washington D.C.

Our dear President:

As the undersigned appeal to your humanity to perform a Christian act in saving our fellow men who were so unfortunate in becoming victims of Hitler's bestiality, and who at the present time could only be saved from certain death by immediately establishing safe ports of entry.

If we, as a leading World power should give heed to our words the oppressed countries of Europe will look to us for leadership in world affairs, and thereby increase our prestige throughout the world.

We are,

Yours respectfully,

Mr. A. Davis
3124 Carpenter Ave
Bronx, N.Y.

Mrs. A. Davis
3124 Carpenter Ave
Bronx, N.Y.

Jack Davis
1314 Segundo Ave
Chicago, Ill.
President Franklin D. Roosevelt,

White House,
Wash D.C.

Personal
In reply please refer to: 3134

Dear Miss Davis:

President Roosevelt has referred to me your letter of July 24, 1944, concerning the plight of the Jewish people in Europe.

On January 22, 1944, the President created the War Refugee Board for the purpose of taking all possible measures to rescue and save the victims of enemy oppression who are in imminent danger of death, and to afford them all possible relief and assistance consistent with the successful prosecution of the war.

To accomplish the purpose for which it was created, the War Refugee Board has initiated numerous measures to assist persons to escape from enemy and enemy-occupied countries, to find havens of refuge for them, to obtain better treatment for those for whom escape is not possible, and to induce the satellite countries to desist from cooperating with the Nazi policy of persecution and extermination of minority peoples. The Board has stationed representatives in strategic countries in order to expedite these measures.

In connection with the problem of finding places of asylum for those who are enabled to escape from enemy-controlled areas, you will be interested to know that the President has recently taken action to establish an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, which is equipped to care for approximately 1,000 refugees until they can be returned to their homelands, at the end of the war. Arrangements also have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

I assure you that the Board is doing everything in its power to achieve its humanitarian objectives, knowing that the measure of its success will be the number of lives saved.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pohle

J. W. Pohle
Executive Director

Miss Helen H. Davis,
18 Virginia Road,
Reading, Massachusetts.
The Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Cannot the government take further immediate effective action to rescue the European Jews who are managing to escape extermination? Certain proposals seem feasible:—a more flexible administration of immigration laws, changes in these laws to provide temporary asylum, allocation of funds to neutral governments for care of refugees, pressure for the opening of Palestine to immigration, some plan of feeding similar to that used for Greece.

I urge you to use your influence to initiate these steps or others. Inaction and delay on our part make us participants in responsibility for countless deaths and immeasurable misery.

Respectfully yours,

[Helen St. Davis]
In reply please refer to: 715

MAY 20 1944

Dear Mr. Dearman:

Your letter of May 14, 1944, to the President, concerning the establishment of temporary havens for refugees, has been referred to me.

Your interest is much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Jacob Dearman,
John Hancock Mutual Life
Insurance Company,
Room 1005, The Bushel Bldg.,
349 East 149th Street,
Bronx, New York.

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John Hancock
Mutual
Life Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

GUY W. COX, President

To: Mr. Jacob Dearman

956 E. 156 St.
Bronx 55, N.Y.

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt

The White House,

Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

As a citizen of the U.S. I beg of you to use your good offices to establish refugee camps in the U.S. to establish refugee camps in the U.S. through the Emergency Committee to Secure the J"ewish people of Europe and to set the example for other Western nations or neutral countries. God bless you and may he keep you well.

Respectfully yours,

Jacob Dearman
Dear Mr. McCandless:

I have your letters of July 30, 1944, to the President and to me, enclosing a resolution concerning the work of the War Refugee Board and the establishment of the Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York.

Details of the plan to establish the Shelter were outlined by the President in his message to Congress on June 12, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the agency heads concerned with the execution of the project. Copies of these documents are enclosed as a matter of interest to you.

I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to rescue the victims of enemy persecution and to find havens of refuge for them where they can remain in safety and be cared for until they can be returned to their own countries at the end of the war. In this connection, you will be interested to know that arrangements have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

Very truly yours,

(Foreign) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. J. H. McCandless,
Legislative Chairman,
Delaware County Industrial
Union Council,
619 Sproul Street,
Chester, Pennsylvania.

Enclosures.
John W. Pehle, executive director
War Refugee Board
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed by a unanimous vote of the Delaware County Industrial Union Council to present you with a copy of the enclosed resolution, adopted at a recent meeting.

We trust you will give this matter your careful consideration.

Sincerely,

J. H. McCandless
Legislative Chairman
The Delaware County Industrial Union Council, representing more than 60,000 C.I.O. workers in this area, at a meeting held July 5, commends the President and his War Refugee Board for opening a Free Port for 1000 European refugees, in line with the traditional American policy of offering a place of refuge for oppressed people; and urges them to give serious consideration to the possibility of greatly increasing the program in America, as well as using their influence with other countries which might also offer Free Ports to victims of Nazi brutality.

The establishment of such Free Ports translates into action the humanitarian desire of the American people to save as many victims of Nazi brutality as can still be saved.

Passed unanimously, July 5, 1944.
Delaware County Industrial Union Council
619 Sproul Street
Chester, PA.

Miss Hadel
Born 190

John W. Pehle. Exec. Director
War Refugee Board.
Washington, D.C.
DELAWARE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL UNION COUNCIL

619 SPROUL STREET
CHESTER, PA.

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
White House
Washington, D.C.

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Passed unanimously, July 5, 1944.
Dear Miss de Pierrefen:

The President has referred to me your recent letter concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Elsa Tudor de Pierrefen.
The Sanctuary,
Hancock,
New Hampshire.

Enclosures.
The Sanctuary
Hancock
New Hampshire

May 31, 44

Dear Mr. President:

Now that you have set up your Refugee Committee, I hope it can move quickly to bring in more refugees, Jews, into this country. If Britain has done well for such a small country, we must do our share no matter what problems these refugees make for us and they will. It is part of our responsibility for...
This war of which we are guilty as well as all countries more and less. I add my voice to those who beg you to make the necessary moves. I ask knowing how harried you are by war questions, domestic questions but that is the unavoidable burden of your position.

Very Sincerely,

[Signature]

Washington, D.C.
War Refugee Board
Received
In reply please refer to: 2033

Dear Miss Dershowitz:

The President has referred to me your recent letter concerning the Emergency Refugee Shelter being established at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, to give temporary asylum to approximately 1,000 refugees who have fled from their homelands to Southern Italy.

Your support for this program and your interest in measures for saving the lives of the victims of enemy oppression are deeply appreciated.

I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to rescue these persecuted people and to find havens of refuge for them where they can remain in safety and be cared for until they can be returned to their own countries at the end of the war. In this connection, I am sure you will be interested to know that arrangements have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Lili Dershowitz,
645 Eastern Parkway,
Brooklyn 13, New York.
DEEPEST RESPECTFULLY REFERRED FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSIDERATION

645 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 21, 1944

Sworn to the President

Dear Mr. President,

I have come only recently from "over there," and I know that the whole continent of Europe is plunged in misery and death.

My own grandparents were only two among the millions who perished and are perishing by the inhuman misdeeds of the Nazis. Mass shootings, death by starvation, typhoid epidemics, and especially gas chambers (to save ammunition), are in vogue in the bloodstained ghettos of Poland.
concentration camps; others have disappeared in the hostile waters off the coast of Palestine; still others have found refuge in North and South America. Yet all these people are just as much entitled as the inhabitants of the American continent to those elevated ideals, which, through the ages, have become our priceless heritage. They are entitled to enjoy the word “home” and friends, to rest their battered bodies far away from bombs and gas chambers. They have certainly paid a bitter enough price.

When will we realize that we are ...
all inhabitants of the earth, and that what happens to one part of it could very well have been our fate. When will we start putting into concrete realization the noble principles by whose virtue we shall win the war?

Let us stop talking and let us do something to help our fellow men!

Sincerely,

Lili Dershowitz
To the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

I am with you heart and soul in your new move to save the victims of Hitler's terror in Europe. And I know that you would have not only my support, but the support of most Americans, if you could see your way clear to open additional camps in which Hitler's victims could find temporary asylum in this country.

(Signed) Lili Dershowitz
Address 645 E. 81st St., New York
In reply please refer to: 2018

Dear Miss Detlef:

The President has referred to me your letter of June 20, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Bertha A. Detlef,
5605 - 85th Street,
Woodhaven 21, New York.

Enclosures.
June 20, 1944

The Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Dear Sir:

I feel deeply for the people of the Nazi-dominated countries, and for any measures this great country can take to feed the starving also to give the persecuted, asylum in this country, until such time that conditions warrant sending them home. This seems our simple Christian duty, no matter what the religion may be of those helpless victims.

Very sincerely,

(Quo) Bertha A. Detlefs

8605-85th St.

Oooshawen, 21, D.C.

Respectfully referred
for acknowledgment
and consideration

William J. Donovan
Secretary to the President
Dear Miss Deutsch:

The President has referred to me your letter of July 16, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned with the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Babette Deutsch,
300 West 108th Street,

Enclosures.
July 16, 1944

President Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington

Dear President Roosevelt:

I write to petition you
to establish temporary Rescue Camps in the United States at once, to give sanctuary to the Jewish men, women and children in imminent danger of death at the hands of the Nazi terrorists, and that you urge the other allied powers to take similar action.

I beg further that you convey to the British Government the desire of the Americans to keep the gates of Palestine open for the unrestricted admission of all Jews rescued from Europe's slaughter-houses.

To do less is to participate in the murder of these helpless victims of Nazi terror.

Faithfully yours,

[Signature]

Babette Deutsch
300 West 108 Street
New York 25, N. Y.
Dear Mrs. Deutsch:

Thank you for your recent cards to the President and to me concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mrs. Gertrude Deutsch,
1525 - 50th Street,
Brooklyn 19, New York.

Enclosures.
Honorable Sir:

I urge you to establish "Free Cook for Refugees."

Mrs. Gertrude Deutsch
1525 50th Street
May 19, 1928
Mr. President,
I urge you to establish "Free Port For Refugees".

Mrs. Gertrude Westock
1525-50th Street
Blythe 19, 21, 29.
In reply please refer to: 1178

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Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Irving H. Deutsch,
176 Stanton Street,
New York, New York.

Enclosures.
June 10/44
76 Stanton St.
N.Y.C.

Dear Mr. Pahl,

War Refugee Bd.

Washington, D.C.

We are in favor of free ports for refugees and ask you to extend your good offices and see that this great project is speedily accomplished.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Name]
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J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Jesse Deutsch,
1525 - 50th Street,
Brooklyn 19, New York.

Enclosures.

JUN 14 1944
Respectfully Sir:

I urge you to use your good offices for the establishment of free ports for refugees.


date

Brooklyn, NY. 19
Mr. President

I urge you to create the machinery for the establishment of "free ports" for refugees.

Jose [illegible]

1525-50 St
Brian 19, N.Y.
In reply please refer to: 2991

Dear Mrs. Dewey:

The President has referred to me your letter of July 7, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pahle

J. W. Pahle
Executive Director

Mrs. Mary A. Dewey,

Royalton, Vermont.

Enclosures.
Royallton, Vermont, July 7, 1941

The Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Sir,

The purpose of this letter is to add my voice to that of others in a most urgent plea that our government, even in these days of our own national crisis, be not indifferent to those whose lot is so desperate and pitiful, namely, the Jews in Nazi-occupied lands.

I would most respectfully urge that the administration of our Immigration laws be liberalized and that a temporary refuge in this country be offered to those who can be brought to our shores, until the urgency of the present crisis has passed and the United Nations can deal in full with the problem of the persecuted Jews.

Very respectfully yours,

Mary A. Dewey
Please support the establishment of free ports for the duration and save many unfortunate refugees. Humanity looks forward to your help.

MR S DINER

Free Ports
In reply please refer to: 878

Dear Mr. Doben:

Since my reply to your recent telegram to the President concerning temporary havens in the United States for refugees, the President has taken action for the establishment of an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario Oswego, New York. I am sure you will be interested in reading the attached copies of the President's recent message to Congress, his cablegram of June 8, 1944, to Ambassador Robert Murphy, in Algiers, and his memorandum of the same date to the agency heads concerned with the execution of the plan.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you again for the interest which you have expressed in this matter.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. J. Doben,
6615 Clemens,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Enclosures.
In reply please refer to: 878

JUN 5 1944

Dear Mr. Dobson:

President Roosevelt has referred to me your telegram of May 30, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens for refugees.

Your interest in this problem is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Fehlè

J. W. Fehlè
Executive Director

Mr. J. Dobson
6615 Clemens
St. Louis, Missouri.
StLouis MO 1215P May 30 1944

The President

White House

Critical status of millions of European lives necessitate immediate establishment of temporary homes in American and other free countries to shelter those who are rescued. We urge immediate action for such-freeports as recommended by Messrs. Ira Hirshman and J. W. Pehle.

J. Doben 6615 Clemens.
In reply please refer to 1143

Dear Mr. Dobin:

Thank you for your recent card concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944 to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

[Signature] J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Angel Dobin,
4716 - 12th Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.

Enclosures.
Dear John Perble,

I am in favor of free ports for refugees and ask you to extend your good offices and see that the great project is speedily accomplished.

Sincerely

New York, Oct. 12, 1944

Blyden W.N.
In reply please refer to: 1447

JUN 24 1944

Dear Mrs. Dock:

Thank you for your letters of June 14, 1944, to the President and to me concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mrs. Herman Dock,
230 West 105th Street,

Enclosures.

Free Port.
Mr. John W. Peble,  
Executive Director,  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir: This is to tell you that I approve of the proposal to establish a system of free ports which will give war refugees from Nazi terrorism temporary asylum. America should point the way—

I have written to the President and the New York Senator and my Congressman urging the adoption of the Plan—

Very truly yours—

Florence H. Dock

(Mrs. Herman Dock)
Mr. F. D. Roosevelt,

White House,

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

This is to request you to approve of—

and to assist in the establishment of a system of free ports, in this country, which will give man refugees from Nazi terrorism temporary asylum.

I urge the adoption of the plan.

Very truly yours,

Florence H. Dock

(Mrs. Herman Dock)
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dolgenow:

Thank you for your recent communication concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned with the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. and Mrs. William Dolgenow,
6142 Orange Street,
Los Angeles 36, California.

Enclosures.
Dear Sir:

He urge you to vote for the Bill allowing refugees to enter this country.

Faithfully,

William J. Shirley

6142 Orange St.

L. A. 36

Calif.
In reply please refer to: 1138

Dear Mr. Dorfman:

The President has referred to me your telegram of June 9, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Fehle

J. W. Fehle
Executive Director

Mr. S. Dorfman,
1331 West 7th Street,
Los Angeles, California.

Enclosures.
PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES
WASHDC

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FREE PORTS FOR THE DURATION AND SAVE MANY UNFORTUNATE REFUGEES. HUMANITY LOOKS FORWARD TO YOUR HELP.

MR S DORFMAN

1331 - W 7th
Dear Mr. Dreskin:

The President has referred to me your letter of August 1, 1944, concerning the establishment of temporary havens for refugees.

I am sure you were glad to know of the President's action in establishing the Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his message to Congress on June 12, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum to the agency heads concerned with the execution of the project are enclosed.

I assure you that the War Refugee Board is doing everything in its power to rescue the victims of enemy persecution and to find havens of refuge for them where they can remain in safety and be cared for until they can be returned to their own countries at the end of the war. In this connection, you will be interested to know that arrangements have been and are being made to provide other facilities to care for refugees in areas nearer to their homelands.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. Leon Dreskin,
Chamber of Commerce Building,
29-34 Branford Place,
Newark 2, New Jersey.

Enclosures.
August 1, 1944

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President
White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Roosevelt:

I urgently request your prompt attention through the necessary agencies to provide immediate havens for the salvation of Jewish and other minorities in Europe at the present time. Only prompt and effective action can prevent the greatest of all crimes being perpetuated upon humanity.

It certainly behooves us as a country that is free and democratic, that the least we can do is to provide temporary havens for the relief of these minorities, until Nazism and dictatorship can be destroyed.

May I again request your urgent attention to this problem.

Respectfully yours,

Leon Dreskin

LD: L
In reply please refer to: 970

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dressler:

Thank you for your recent cards to the President and to me concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. and Mrs. S. Dressler,
1222 - 55th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Enclosures.
June 6, 1944

Dear Mr. Lebile,

We are in favor of free hats for refugees and ask you to extend your good offices and aid so that this great project is speedily accomplished.

Mr. & Mrs. J. Dusseil
1222-55 St.
Bklyn NY
Dear Mr. President,

We are in favor of free ports for refugees and ask you to extend your good offices and see that this great project is speedily accomplished.

Mrs. S. Dresler

1222 W. 55th St.

The White House
Washington
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RESPECTFULLY REFERRED
FOR CONSIDERATION

PRESIDENT OF THE US
WHITE HOUSE

WE WISH TO TAKE THIS MEANS OF THANKING YOU FOR YOUR HUMANE
ACT OF OPENING THE PORTS OF OUR COUNTRY TO THOSE UNFORTUNATES
WHO WERE OPPRESSED BY NAZI BRUTALITIES. MAY GOD GRANT THAT
YOU LEAD US TO A COMPLETE AND SPEEDY VICTORY AND MAY YOU
ENJOY A LONG AND HEALTHY LIFE THAT YOU MAY ENJOY THE FRUITS
OF YOUR ENDEAVOR

MAX PINE DRESMAKERS BRANCH 22 JEWISH NATIONAL
In reply please refer to: 777

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

Since my reply to your recent letters concerning temporary havens in the United States for refugees, the President has taken action for the establishment of an Emergency Refuge Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. I am sure you will be interested in reading the attached copies of the President’s recent message to Congress, his telegram of June 3, 1944, to Ambassador Robert Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of the same date to the agency heads concerned with the execution of the plan.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you again for the interest which you have expressed in this matter.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pohle

J. W. Pohle
Executive Director

Mr. Charles S. Zimmerman,
Secretary-Manager,
Dressmakers Union,
218-232 West 40th Street,
New York 18, New York.

Enclosures:

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In reply please refer to: 777

MAY 29 1944

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

Thank you for your letters of May 18, 1944, to the President and to me, concerning the establishment of temporary havens for refugees.

Your interest in this problem is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

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Dressmakers Union,
218-232 West 40th Street,
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President Franklin D. Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

May I, in the name of the 25,000 members of our organization, respectfully urge you to do everything in your power to secure favorable consideration for the plan now before the War Refugee Board to establish "free ports" in the United States where refugees from Hitler terror in Europe may find asylum until such time as they can be settled in permanent homes.

The dreadful plight of Jews and similar groups in Nazi Europe has evoked horror and sympathy throughout the civilized world. Millions of men, women and children have been savagely exterminated. Millions more have been deprived of all means of existence and are exposed to torture and death. Even should they manage to escape from the grip of their oppressors they have nowhere to turn for refuge, however temporary. The establishment of "free ports" is the one chance of life for these miserable victims of Nazi savagery.

Sufficient evidence has already been brought forward to show that the plan to establish such "free ports" for refugees from Hitlerism is quite feasible for a nation with such resources as ours. It would not only be a humanitarian work of the highest value but it would also demonstrate to the people of the world our deep concern for the unfortunate victims of Hitlerism and would thereby encourage resistance and opposition to Nazi rule in occupied Europe.

 Permit me, Mr. President, to stress the importance of prompt action in this matter. Human lives are at stake. If we act with speed and decision we may well help to stimulate similar action on the part of other nations of the Allied and neutral world.

Respectfully yours,

Charles S. Zimmerman  
Secretary-Manager
Mr. John W. Pehle, Director
War Refugee Board
Washington, D.C.

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Respectfully yours,

/s/ Chas. S. Zimmerman

Secretary-Manager
Dear Mrs. Drucker:

The President has referred to me your recent petition concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure that you and those who signed with you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 8, 1944, to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

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Sincerely yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mrs. G. Drucker,
237 East 22nd Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Enclosures.

In reply please refer to: 2948

JUL 13 1944
WE, THE PEOPLE, in the name of God be it known that all men are as brothers, ask the help of Our Government in securing prompt action on the plan for "Free Ports for Refugees" to save the lives of the Jewish People of Europe.

Signed,

437 East 22nd Street

Mrs. G. Petrossi
Charles A. Ziegler
Mae McKeone
Hannah P. Green
Samuel Green
Michael Goldnan
Francis Nemmi
Eliza A. Smith
Elizabeth L. Brady
Mrs. E. White
Selma Joseph
S. B. Collins
Lloyd V. Christian
Sally Russo
The Berry
Dorothy Norden
Mr. J. Cost
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D. Neuman
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Benedict Kupchitas
E. Delage
Rex Nelson
Sylvia Knecht
Dora H. Abelson
Jacob Stroeminger
Erwin Reisley
Justine Goldstein
M. W. Gluck
Mrs. J. B. Gluck
Mrs. M. H. Heiman
Radee Bklyn.

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7515 Glennwood Rd.
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1312 W 76th St - Bklyn

1420 Avenue J
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915 E 14 St
96 E 14 St
1057 E 16 St

1480 Ocean Ave - Bklyn
918 E 14th St

1611 Ave J
1046 E 26 St
1404 Ocean Ave - Bklyn
1438 Ocean Ave Bklyn
IN THE NAME OF GOD BEFORE WHOM ALL MEN ARE AS BROTHERS, ASK THE HELP OF OUR GOVERNMENT IN SECURING PROMPT ACTION ON THE PLAN FOR "FREE PORTS FOR REFUGEES" TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE OF EUROPE.

Signed,

Harry Webb, 3100 Brighton 2 St., Brooklyn.
Leo Wells, 1622 87th St.
Jacob Silverman, 823 E. 3rd St.
Kate Selendrow, 2102 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn.
Morris Mandelberg, 242 169 St., Bronx.
Daniel Berman, 3121 Brighton, 5th Street.
Mrs. W. Smith, 784 E. 23 St., Bklyn.
Mrs. E. Heller, 1907 Ave. J., Bklyn.
Klaus Silverman, 1615 Avenue P, Brooklyn.
Elie Thorner, 1569 8th Avenue, Bklyn.
Howard Kiehn, 1143 50 Ocean Avenue, Bklyn.

Bukraper, 944 87th St., Bklyn.
Sophia Mandel, 1715 Ave. J., Bklyn.
Mary Rosenblum, 1562 Ocean Ave.
Bernstein 1212 Ave
Y. Norie 1313 Ave

Mrs. Zosin 1620 Ave
Mrs. Michael 1439 Ocean Ave

Althea Weiss 1224 Ave I Bklyn
Rose Kasofsky 1615 Ave I Bklyn

Phil Siegel 1402 Ave R

Chas. Siegel 1402 Ave R

Gay Ry 2788 W 33 St Bklyn
PETITION.

WE THE PEOPLE, in the name of God before whom all men are as brothers, ask the help of Our Government in securing prompt action on the plan for "Free Ports for Refugees" to save the lives of the Jewish People of Europe.

Signed,

Harry Waskowitz 5-10 Albany
Harry Mostowitz 3203 Avenue 83
Al Hochman 96 & 4th Ave.
Abe Fraen Nathan Krushin 602 Ave T
Loren Marks 2713 Mermaid
P. Hochas 2020 Ave. O
Frankie Rosenblatt 1777 Ocean Parkway
PETITION.

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Signed,

Betty Needleman
1290 Ocean Ave
822 E. 11th St. - B'klyn

Jacob Grisfeld
847 Ocean Ave

Sara Seliger

Esther Gutman

Mrs. Lepper
572 Benson Ave

S. Kallen

Herbert Fischer

A. Lammel

P. Samuels

L. Shorrock

Malcolm Wender

Sol Rapin

Julius Galkin

136v Ocean Ave
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WE THE PEOPLE, in the name of God before whom all men are as brothers, ask the help of Our Government in securing prompt action on the plan for "Free Ports for Refugees" to save the lives of the Jewish People of Europe.

Signed,

Arthur L. Kaufman
1290 Ocean Ave.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

R. Edelberg
1877 Ocean Ave.

S. Roshen
3138 Br. 6th.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mary B. Potter

I. Landau

R. Schraft
2241 Ocean Av.

H. Stern"
1925 Quentin Rd.

G. Schoen
1905 Quentin Rd.

F. Roshen
3190 Br. 6th.

B. Roshen
69 E. 54th St.
WE, THE PEOPLE, in the name of God before whom all men are as brothers, ask the help of Our Government in securing prompt action on the plan for "Free Passes for Refugees" to save the lives of the Jewish People of Europe.

Signed,

Gertrude Berman
Sophie Hargilman
Frances Hyman
Helenie Yannam
7th Ave.
Maurice J. Abbey
H. M. Aym
Harry Klein
Frank E. Bocchi
Irene Klein
Barbara Kramer
Shelley Edelberg
Mrs. A. Klein
Eliza Blum
Harry von Stade
Rose Low
Jeanne R. Marshall

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260 W 32nd St.
1915 Lincoln Dr.
2157 Ocean Ave.
1718 E 22nd St.
1820 Grand Pk.

192 W 33 St.
1618 E 17 St.
2450 East 22 St.
1530 East 19th St.
Franklin Delano Roosevelt
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.
In reply please refer to: 1076

Dear Miss Dubow:

The President has referred to me your recent card concerning the establishment of temporary havens in the United States for refugees.

I am sure you will be glad to know of the President's action in establishing an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York. Copies of his recent message to Congress, his cablegram to Ambassador Murphy in Algiers, and his memorandum of June 3, 1944 to the heads of the agencies concerned in the execution of the project are enclosed.

Your concern for the fate of refugees and your interest in the problem of providing places of asylum for them are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Miss Ida Dubow,
881 Saratogo Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.

Enclosures.
June 1944

Dear Mr. President,

Please urge you to open the ports in the U.S. now.

Sincerely,

Ida Dubow
881 Zaratka Ave
Brooklyn, NY
To the President of the United States:

On May 8, 1865, the President declared the War

Respectfully Submitted

Alfred S. Tupper
I assure you that the Board is doing everything in its power to achieve its humanitarian objectives.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Fehle

J. W. Fehle
Executive Director

Mrs. Carrell Dunham,

Pleasantville, New York.

Enclosure.
Mrs. Carroll Dunham
Pleasantville, New York
Telephone 1233

My dear Mr. President,

As an American citizen, I am respectfully placing before you, my request that every possible effort be made to establish "Rescue Camps" in this country for the suffering Jews of Europe.

It is my earnest hope that our country, together with the other Allied Powers, may act wisely and speedily to save countless human lives that are now in immediate peril.

sincerely yours,

Margaret Dora Dunham

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
President of the United States,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.