

AMERICAN RELIEF TO AUSTRIA, INC.

American Relief to Austria

2501 PALISADE AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

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May 30, 1945.

Executive Office of the President
War Refugee Board
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Miss Hodel:

Having just returned from San Francisco,
I find your letter of May 9th.

I shall do all I can in the matter of
the Austrian citizens interned in Rumania and
will bring it to the attention of our Board at
our next meeting.

Very truly yours,

Ida Countess Kalergi

COUNTESS IDA COUDENHOVE-KALERGI
Vice-Chairman for the Auxiliary
Committee for American Relief to
Austria.

MAY 9 - 1945

Dear Sirs:

At the request of Mr. Roswell D. McClelland, Special Representative of the War Refugee Board in Switzerland, there is enclosed herewith for your information and such action as you may wish to take a letter from the Joint Relief Commission of the International Red Cross concerning a number of Austrian citizens interned in Rumania.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel
Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

American Relief to Austria, Inc.,
2501 Palisade Avenue,
New York, New York.

Enclosure.

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LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AIR MAIL

Bern, April 18, 1945.

Dear General O'Dwyer:

I take the liberty of sending the Board enclosed herewith a letter which I recently received from the JOINT RELIEF COMMISSION of the International Red Cross and would much appreciate it if the Board could forward this letter to the newly constituted "American Relief to Austria, Inc." which I noted mentioned in a recent wire from a Father James Hoban of the National Catholic Welfare Council. The President's War Relief Control Board could undoubtedly furnish you with the address of this new Austrian organization.

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Ave.,
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I forward this letter because the ICRC is about the only organization which at the present moment can render effective relief in Rumania. This is carried on through its delegates in Bucharest, De Kolb and Steiger, who have been doing yeoman work there for a great many months now. Any small sum which might be placed at the ICRC's disposal for financial relief at least to these interned Austrians would be properly distributed and most welcome.

Very sincerely yours,

Roswell D. McClelland
Roswell D. McClelland
Special Assistant to
the American Minister.

Enclosure: Letter from the Commission Mixte

Brigadier General William O'Dwyer
Executive Director,
War Refugee Board,
Washington 25, D. C.



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COMMISSION MIXTE DE SECOURS DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
INTERNATIONALE

GENEVE, le 5th. April 1945

Dear Mr. McClelland,

We have been recently approached, through our Representative in Bucarest, by an Austrian Committee in Rumania who is asking for help for 360 Austrian citizens actually interned in Ciurel.

As it appears, these internees are in a separate camp and are recognized as Austrians by the Rumanian Authorities.

As we do not know if there exists an Austrian Committee in the U.S.A., we take the liberty of asking you kindly to inform us to whom we should address ourselves to obtain some funds which would enable us to help these people.

Thanking you in advance for all you will kindly do for us in this connexion, we remain, dear Mr. McClelland,

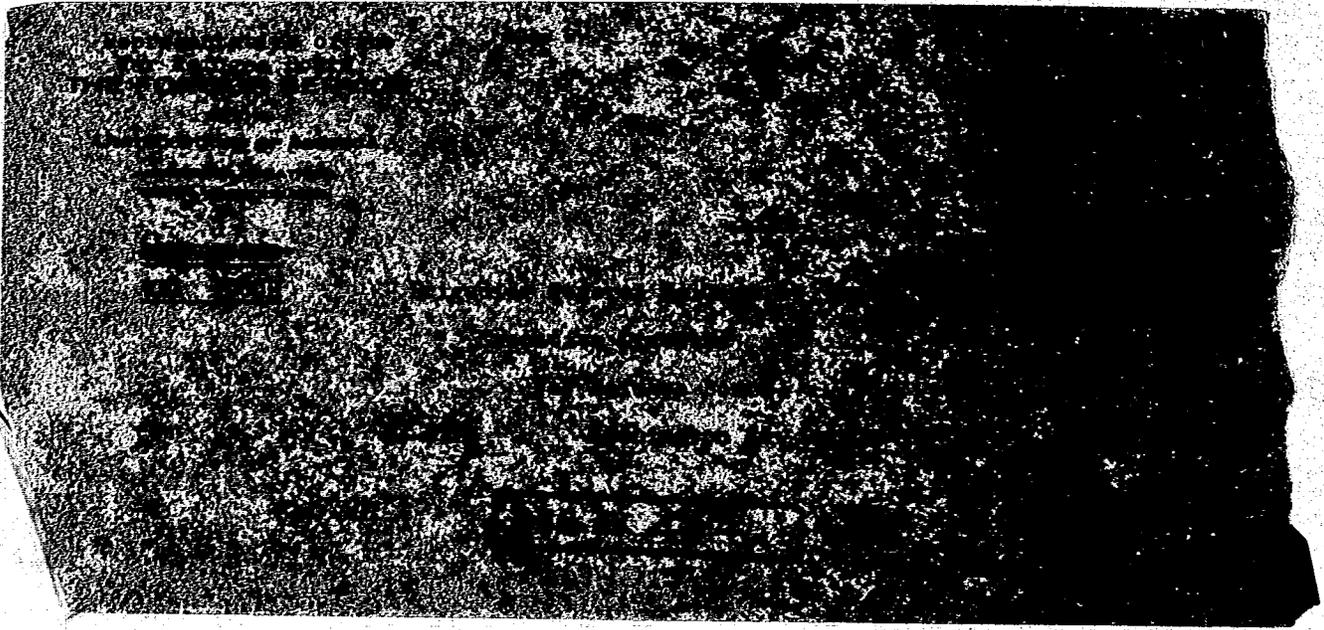
Yours very truly,
(Signatures illegible)

The Joint Relief Commission of the
International Red Cross

Mr. Roswell McClelland,
Special Representative of the
War Refugee Board,
Legation des Etats-Unis
29, Alpenstrasse
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Note in Mr. McClelland's
Handwriting:

See American Relief to Austria,
Inc. (new file)
Non-denominational American
agency for Austrian relief.



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