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Dear Mr. Freedman:

In reply to your letter to Secretary Morgenthau of February 19, 1945, concerning the solicitation of funds by the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society for refugee work, I suggest that you direct your inquiry to the President's War Relief Control Board.

For your general information, the War Refugee Board has received the suggestions, the cooperation, and the assistance of a number of private organizations, among them the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society, in the development and execution of its programs for the rescue and relief of the victims of enemy persecution.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William O'Dwyer

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Spring Valley, N. Y.  
Feb. 19, 1945.

Hon. Henry Morgenthau,  
Secretary of Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am a resident of Spring Valley, Rockland, N. Y.

It has come to my attention through the Rabbi of my synogogue that a campaign is in progress to collect large sums of money to be used in the connection with the Hias Society for the purpose of liberating and otherwise assisting Jews in Germany. There has been some suggestion that the monies will be collected by the Federal Reserve Bank and thereafter be held by financial authorities in Switzerland for transmission to the proper authorities in Germany. It is my understanding that thousands of dollars have already been collected and I have been informed that the campaign has proceeded with the approval of your office.

On the other hand I have noted no confirmation of these facts in the public press or radio and I respectfully ask for any information which you may give me which may throw light upon the situation.

Respectfully yours,

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