The following telegram has been sent to the Legation in Stockholm and is repeated for the Department's information.

Your May 3, 7 p.m. In the absence of a War Refugee Board Attaché in Turkey the Embassy will be glad to take up with the Turkish Foreign Office the matter of Turkish transit visas for Kalman Gelber and family. However, before doing so the Embassy would appreciate being advised whether, as indicated in your telegram, these individuals are Swedish citizens as, if so, perhaps the Swedish Legation in Ankara should be consulted before the Embassy approaches the Foreign Office.

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This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Governmental agency. (SCOG)

Secretary of State, Washington.

May 3, 1944

Following telegram has been sent American Embassy at Ankara.

May 3, 7 p.m.

FOR WAR REFUGEE BOARD ATTACHE

Legation is informed that Kalman (repeat Kalman) Gelber (repeat Gelber) with wife, small child and father are presently in Bucharest to which they were evacuated with aid of Swedish Legation.

Group has Swedish passport, Rumanian exit visa, Bulgarian transit visa and Palestine immigration certificates. However group has been unable to secure Turkish transit visa.

My 1565, May 3, 7 p.m. to Department repeats this.

Please endeavor on urgent basis to secure necessary Turkish transit visas and have authority cabled to Turkish mission in Bucharest. Upon arrival of group in Turkey.

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May 3, 7 p.m., from Stockholm.

In Turkey it will then be possible for them to pick up immigration certificates, which Jewish Agency has issued, and to have their Palestine visas stamped in passports. This procedure is not possible in Rumania because Palestine visa is stamped by British Consul.

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