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In reply please  
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Sirs:

Reference is made to your letter of April 10, 1944 addressed to Mr. J. E. DuBois of this Department, and to your letter of April 18, 1944 addressed to Miss Florence Rodol of the War Refugee Board, in which you request that you be licensed to remit through the special facilities available to this Government the sum of Swiss francs 23,614.20 to the Committee for the Relief of the War-Stricken Jewish Population of Europe, Geneva, Switzerland, representing salaries and expenses of that office for a period of six months.

This is to advise you that pursuant to the recommendation made to this Department by the War Refugee Board, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York has today been authorized to amend License No. NY-590081, issued to the Sterling National Bank and Trust Company of New York, New York City, so as to authorize it to effect, on your behalf, the remittances licensed therein through the special facilities available to this Government.

Yours very truly,

Orvis A. Schmidt

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Acting Director

World Jewish Congress  
302 West 42nd Street  
New York, 18, New York

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FOREIGN FUNDS CONTROL DEPARTMENT  
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

NY 590081 Please amend license dated December 16, 1943, so as to authorize the licensee to effect the remittances licensed therein by paying the dollar amount involved to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for credit to the Banque Nationale Suisse, Zurich, for payment of the Swiss franc equivalent to the payee designated therein, or by purchasing the Swiss francs involved from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as fiscal agent of the United States. Please send signed copy of license to Mr. Rushmore, Federal Reserve Bank of New York and advise him the remittances licensed therein are for humanitarian purposes.

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April 18, 1944

Miss Florence Hodell  
Assistant to the Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
190 Main Treasury Building  
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Miss Hodell:

Regarding the letter written by Rabbi Irving Miller to Mr. J. E. Dubois on April 10, 1944, and your telephone conversation this morning with Mr. Pulverman of this office, we herewith give you the following details.

The monthly budget of our Geneva Office is composed of-

Salary Gerhard Riegner	sfrs. 715.60	
" Adolph Silberschein	" 715.60	
" Marc Jarblum	" 954.12	
		sfrs. 2,385.32
Expenses Marc Jarblum	sfrs. 357.78	
Gerhard Riegner	" 596.30	
Adolph Silberschein	" 596.30	
		sfrs. 1,550.38
Grand Total		sfrs. 3,935.70 ✓

Up to December 1943, the monthly budget was 3,535.70. Upon the request of our Geneva Office it was then increased from 3,535.70 by Swiss francs 400 to the above mentioned amount of 3,935.70. On account of the fluctuations in the market for Free Swiss francs, we had made an application and had been granted

License Number - N.Y. 590081-R  
Dated - December 10, 1943  
Expiry - June 10, 1944

For - Remittance of Swiss Francs 21,214.20 during the period of this license to the Committee for the Relief of the War-Stricken Jewish population of Europe, Geneva, Switzerland, (Salaries and administrative expenses).

We have not utilized this license because of the unfavorable rate of exchange. This amount represented six months (December 1943 to May 1944) or six times sfrs 3,535.70.

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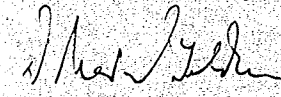
In view of the circumstances explained in the letter to Mr. Dubois on April 10th, we would be grateful if you would authorize the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to issue a license to us permitting the remittance of Swiss Francs 23,614.20, at the same rate as they granted for the transfer of relief funds.

In conformity with the terms of license #NY 59081-R, we would ask to be permitted to transfer this money in one or several installments until June 10, 1944.

If you would grant us this license, we request that at the same time you inform the Federal Reserve Bank that license #N.Y. 590081-R should be cancelled.

We shall be glad to furnish any further material which you may require.

Sincerely yours,



Dr. Nachum Goldmann  
Chairman of the  
Administrative Committee

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April 10, 1944

Mr. J. E. DuBois  
Chief Counsel, Foreign Funds Control  
Treasury Department  
Main Building, Room 172  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. DuBois:

I have been asked by the Office Committee of the World Jewish Congress to take up this problem with you. We must remit at the present time somewhere in the neighborhood of \$3,000.00 to Geneva for the salaries and expenses of that office. I am sure that you are aware by this time of the nature of the work which that office is doing. At the present moment, it is engaged almost exclusively in furthering the functions that are assigned to it under the license you were good enough to grant us.

Would it be possible for us to secure the same rate of exchange for this money as we have been securing for relief funds that we have sent over in the last several months. I need not tell you what a saving that would be for us which in turn could be used by us for relief purposes.

May I hear from you at your earliest convenience?

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Rabbi Irving Miller

Rabbi Irving Miller

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