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March 12, 1945

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JERUSALEM

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Please deliver the following message to Dr. Judah Magnes from M.A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Your 168 If possible cable numbers names Jewish survivors Galician towns Sambor and Starysambor. UNQUOTE

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(GLW)

GMS:M.V:DH
3/10/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, JERUSALEM, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Judah Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE YOUR 168 IF POSSIBLE CABLE NUMBERS NAMES JEWISH SURVIVORS GALICIAN TOWNS SAMBOR AND STARYSAMBOR UNQUOTE

Copy sent to JDC 3/8/45

1:30 p.m.
March 8, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel
Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files.

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2. TO JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, (Dr. Judah Magnes) JERUSALEM

YOUR 168 IF POSSIBLE CABLE NUMBERS NAMES JEWISH SURVIVORS GALICIAN TOWNS SAMBOR AND STARYSAMBOR

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494 Twelfth

Please deliver the following message to Reuben Hecht from L.A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Assume when you visit Greece and Jacobson visits Yugoslavia you will explore possibility setting up central bureau for location displaced persons each country in accordance with discussions of displaced persons sub-committee home. We agree centralization each country such efforts most practical and desirable. Central Location Index sending you home all inquiries for Greece Yugoslavia until bureaus established Athens Belgrade. UNQUOTE

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(GLW)

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WRR:M.V.H. SE ME
3/10/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, ROME, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Reuben Resnik from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE ASSUME WHEN YOU VISIT GREECE AND JACOBSON VISITS YUGOSLAVIA YOU WILL EXPLORE POSSIBILITY SETTING UP CENTRAL BUREAU FOR LOCATION DISPLACED PERSONS EACH COUNTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH DISCUSSIONS OF DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMITTEE ROME. WE AGREE CENTRALIZATION EACH COUNTRY SUCH EFFORTS MOST PRACTICAL AND DESIRABLE. CENTRAL LOCATION INDEX SENDING YOU ROME ALL INQUIRIES FOR GREECE JUGOSLAVIA UNTIL BUREAUS ESTABLISHED ATHENS BELGRADE UNQUOTE

Copy sent to JDC 3/8/45

1:30 p.m.
March 8, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel
Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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3. TO REUBEN RESNIK, ROME

ASSUME WHEN YOU VISIT GREECE AND JACOBSON VISITS JUGOSLAVIA YOU WILL EXPLORE POSSIBILITY SETTING UP CENTRAL BUREAU FOR LOCATION DISPLACED PERSONS EACH COUNTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH DISCUSSIONS [redacted] DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMITTEE ROME. WE AGREE CENTRALIZATION EACH COUNTRY SUCH EFFORTS MOST PRACTICAL AND DESIRABLE. CENTRAL LOCATION INDEX SENDING YOU ROME ALL INQUIRIES FOR GREECE JUGOSLAVIA UNTIL BUREAUS ESTABLISHED ATHENS BELGRADE.

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March 9, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the United States Embassy in Rome under date of March 8, 1945:

> "Five. Arrived here and conferring Resnik and Jacobson. Palestine transport 900 scheduled depart March 25 will cost 14 to 15 pounds per person which we have underwritten order expedite movement. You may charge this against emigration appropriation."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Rome

Dated March 8, 1945

Rec'd 3:18 p.m.

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650, March 8, 4 p.m.

FOR MOSES LEAVITT FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

Five. Arrived here and conferring Resnik and Jacobson. Palestine transport 900 scheduled depart March 25 will cost 14 to 15 pounds per person which we have underwritten order expedite movement. You may charge this against emigration appropriation.

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ANKARA

287, Eighth.

Please deliver the following message (WRD 144) to Charles Paceman from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE This will confirm your appointment as Director of the Joint Distribution Committee's activities in Middle East and Balkans. We very anxious you proceed immediately to Balkan countries, particularly Rumania and Bulgaria to organize efficient relief and rehabilitation programs. Please keep us advised. UNQUOTE

(GREW)
(ACTING)
(GLW)

WRB:MMV:KG
3/5/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, ANKARA, FROM THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Charles Passman from M. A. Lemvitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE THIS WILL CONFIRM YOUR APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES IN MIDDLE EAST AND BALKANS. WE VERY ANXIOUS YOU PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO BALKAN COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY RUMANIA AND BULGARIA TO ORGANIZE EFFICIENT RELIEF AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS. PLEASE KEEP US ADVISED. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB ANKARA CABLE NO. 144

copy sent to JDC 3/1/45

11:15 a.m.
March 1, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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JERUSALEM

48 Fifth

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Judah Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Regarding lira deposits made by Italian refugees now Palestine please ask Palestine Treasury to certify to Allied Commission Rome that sterling equivalent has been reimbursed to individuals so that lira now payable JDC account Rome. UNQUOTE

GREW
(ACTING)
(GLW)

WRD:MMV:KG
3/5/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, JERUSALEM, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Judah Magnes from M. A. Lemvitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE REGARDING LIRA DEPOSITS MADE BY ITALIAN REFUGEES NOW PALESTINE PLEASE ASK PALESTINE TREASURY TO CERTIFY TO ALLIED COMMISSION ROME THAT STERLING EQUIVALENT HAS BEEN REIMBURSED TO INDIVIDUALS SO THAT LIRA NOW PAYABLE JDC ACCOUNT ROME. UNQUOTE

Copy sent to J.D.C. 3/2/45

11:00 a.m.
March 2, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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LISBON
366 Fifth

Please deliver the following message (WRB 180) to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Regarding Mosaicka request Fildermann pay out designated sums we have no competence this matter and Fildermann must make his arrangements directly with Mosaicka. UNQUOTE

GREW
(ACTING)
(WRB)

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3/3/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE REGARDING MOSAISKA REQUEST FILDERMANN PAY OUT DESIGNATED SUMS WE HAVE NO COMPETENCE THIS MATTER AND FILDERMANN MUST MAKE HIS ARRANGEMENTS DIRECTLY WITH MOSAISKA. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 150.

Copy sent JCD 3/1/45

2:15 p.m.
March 1, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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LONDON

1873 Fifth

Please deliver following message (WRB 54) to Joseph Schwartz from A. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Understand British Passport Office here cabling today concerning Aronovici application for British visa. Would be helpful if in addition your intervention Leonard Montefiore as board member Foundation immediately approaches home office. In our letter accompanying application we stated visa requested for temporary stay three to six months that Aronovici holds reentry permit to United States valid to January 1946. Has first American papers issued 1942. Left Rumania 1924. Has been member JDC Executive Staff uninterruptedly from 1919 and from 1924 as General Secretary and Vice Managing Director Foundation. Important indicate his family remaining United States. UNQUOTE

GREW

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(GLW)

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, LONDON, FOR MANN, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE UNDERSTAND BRITISH PASSPORT OFFICE HERE CABLING TODAY CONCERNING ARONOVICI APPLICATION FOR BRITISH VISA. WOULD BE HELPFUL IF IN ADDITION YOUR INTERVENTION LEONARD MONTEFIORE AS BOARD MEMBER FOUNDATION IMMEDIATELY APPROACHED HOME OFFICE. IN OUR LETTER ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION WE STATED VISA REQUESTED FOR TEMPORARY STAY THREE TO SIX MONTHS THAT ARONOVICI HOLDS REENTRY PERMIT TO UNITED STATES VALID TO JANUARY 1946. HAS FIRST AMERICAN PAPERS ISSUED 1942. LEFT ROUMANIA 1924. HAS BEEN MEMBER JDC EXECUTIVE STAFF UNINTERRUPTEDLY FROM 1919 AND FROM 1924 AS GENERAL SECRETARY AND VICE MANAGING DIRECTOR FOUNDATION. IMPORTANT INDICATE HIS FAMILY REMAINING UNITED STATES STOP YOUR REPLY REGARDING ENGAGING BENJAMIN BROOK FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE URGENTLY AWAITED. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LONDON CABLE NO. 54.

copy sent JDC 3/1/45

2:15 p.m.
March 1, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, D'Dwyer, Files

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March 5, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Embassy in Lisbon under date of March 3, 1945:

"Substance cable Filderman for Schwartz follows: 'Rumania for 7,500 Hungarian, Polish and Czech refugees and 8,000 returning from Transylvania need lei 620 million monthly. For evacuated Communities and others 500 million monthly. For 20,000 Transnistrian repatriates for people liberated concentration camps and victims Jassy pogroms need one billion rehabilitation fund. For 12,000 additional repatriates arriving from Transnistria beginning March need 500 million monthly and one billion clothing.

"To Hungary sent special delegation with 100 tons food, clothing, medicaments which already distributed another equal shipment underway have used 400 million lei Debrecen delegation asks 100 million for 3,000 needy minimum 80,000 needy in Hungary require one billion monthly.

"Bulgaria Consistorie Sofia have 20,000 needy want 360 million for urgent reparation homes of 6,000 families also for rehabilitation 50,000 artisans and small merchants 450 million.

"Sub-Carpathian delegation asking 300 million for 3,000 needy.

"Please cable Geneva to put immediately our disposal Swiss francs two million and advise other funds or credits for Rumania. We are without money and awaiting your word regarding appropriations for each country where funds needed.'"

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel
Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 3/5/45

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Lisbon

Dated March 3, 1945

Rec'd 7:34 a.m.

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Secretary of State

Washington

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WRB 351 JDC 194 FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

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To Hungary sent special delegation with 100 tons food clothing medicaments which already distributed another equal shipment underway have used 400 million lei Debrecen delegation asks 100 million for 3,000 needy minimum 80,000 needy in Hungary require one billion monthly.

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Bulgaria Consistoire Sofia have 20,000 needy want 360 million for urgent reparation homes of 6,000 families also for rehabilitation 50,000 artisans and small merchants 450 million.

Sub-Carpathian delegation asking 300 million for 3,000 needy.

Please cable Geneva to put immediately our disposal Swiss francs two million and advise other funds or credits for Rumania. We are without money and awaiting your word regarding appropriations for each country where funds needed.

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March 3, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of March 2, 1945:

"Suggest you engage Benjamin Brock and assign him Resnik Italy. Could use additional three or four similar qualifications provided they have real possibilities development within reasonable time. Would assign one more to Resnik balance Greenleigh. Believe neither Joseph Hyman nor Dr. Morris Davidson because of age or physical condition could meet requirements overseas employment this time. Therefore suggest neither be taken on. Have already advised you we have received twenty million francs from Universal."

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 3/3/45

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Paris

Dated March 2, 1945

Rec'd 10:44 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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986, Second

FOR MOSES LEAVIT, AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

"Suggest you engage Benjamin Brock and assign him Resnik Italy. Could use additional three or four similar qualifications provided they have real possibilities development within reasonable time. Would assign one more to Resnik balance Greenleigh. Believe neither Joseph Hyman nor Dr. Morris Davidson because of age or physical condition could meet requirements overseas employment this time. Therefore suggest neither be taken on. Have already advised you we have received twenty million francs from Universal".

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March 5, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Pasman was received through the American Consulate in Istanbul under date of March 1, 1945:

"1. Your cable regarding Resnik's projected emigration scheme from Greece was relayed by Magnes to Schwartz.

"2. Before my departure from Jerusalem, Harold Trobe tele raphed to us the contents of Resnik's cable. Thereupon I immediately telegraphed to Schwartz to the effect that the Jewish agency knows nothing of this project and that the cost thereof is extremely excessive. I suggested to Schwartz that he advise Resnik by telegraph not to be concerned with Balkan emigration projects.

"3. I have, for your information, negotiated various transportation projects from Greece to Palestine in conjunction with Jewish Agency representatives in Palestine and at Istanbul, at a cost of less than $100 per person.

"4. Transportation at reasonable rates will be arranged as soon as certificates are granted, although certificates are at present unavailable."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 3/5/45

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This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government Agency. (~~RESTRICTED~~)

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Istanbul

Dated March 1, 1945

Rec'd 8:40 p.m.

Secretary of State

Washington

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74, March 1, 1 p.m.

FOR WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver to Moses Leavitt Joint Distribution Committee. From Passman.

1. With regard to Resnik's projected emigration scheme from Greece your cable was relayed by Magnes to Schwartz.

2. Prior to my departure from Jerusalem, Herold Tro (?) telegraphed to us the contents of Resnik's cable. I thereupon telegraphed immediately to Schwartz to the effect that the Jewish Agency has no knowledge this project and that the cost thereof is extremely excessive. I suggested to Schwartz also to advise Resnik by telegraph not to be concerned with Balkan emigration projects.

3. For your information I have - at a cost of less than $100 per - negotiated various transportation projects from Greece to Palestine in conjunction with Jewish Agency representatives in Palestine and at Istanbul.

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4. Although certificates are at present unavailable, transportation at reasonable rates will be arranged as soon as certificates are granted.

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March 3, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in London under date of March 1, 1945:

"Have allocated $4,000 monthly to Jewish Coordinating Committee in liberated Holland for emergency purposes especially non-Dutch nationals that territory until regular transmissions. Possible Dutch Government here will accept payments in sterling and pay equivalent to Jewish Committee Holland. Suggest therefore, you transmit immediately our account here $8,000 cover two months budget.

"At the time I left Belgium the committee did not actually receive $150,000 which you paid Belgian Embassy. Committee, however, was advanced equivalent that amount by three local banks including Jules Philippson who acted with consent of Belgian National Bank. The Belgian Finance Ministry during my stay there indicated that the money would be repaid to the three banks within a few days so that I assume that the money has already arrived Belgium but have no direct knowledge this effect. Have already told Resnik sometime ago not to assume responsibility Greece at least until my arrival in Italy and Passman fully informed. Expect see Resnik soon and clarify situation. Reference Harry Biele, would be glad have him overseas service and believe he should be assigned Switzerland immediately. Have no objection Canadian field workers provided they meet our usual standard. Will make every effort see Samuel Goldwyn in Paris.

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"Budgetary recommendations for March and April same as previous months except for following: France, $200,000, Greece, $50,000, Poland, $200,000 via Switzerland $800,000. Total reduction $325,000 monthly. For time being believe unnecessary vote additional onetime grants for next two months. Writing fully.

"Have made formal applications Inter-governmental Committee for additional grants $300,000 each Rumania and Hungary for first quarter 1945."

Very truly yours,

[Signed] Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, 16, New York.

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London

Dated March 1, 1945

Rec'd 12:32 a.m., 2nd.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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FOR WRB TREASURY FROM MANN

Please deliver the following messages to Moses Leavitt of American Joint Distribution Committee from Joseph Schwartz.

Message begins. Have allocated $4,000 monthly to Jewish Coordinating Committee in liberated Holland for emergency purposes especially non-Dutch nationals that territory until regular transmissions. Possible Dutch Government here will accept payments in sterling and pay equivalent to Jewish Committee Holland. Suggest therefore, you transmit immeiately our account here, $8,000 cover two months budget. Message ends.

Message begins. At the time I left Belgium the committee did not actually receive $150,000 which you paid Belgian Embassy. Committee, however, was advanced equivalent that amount by three local banks including

Jules Philippson

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-3-#2136, First, from London.

$300,000 each Rumania and Hungary for first quarter 1945. Message ends.

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LISBON
347 First

Please deliver the following message (WRB 147) to Harold Trobe from L. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Advise Resnik we prepared accept additional lira clearances up to $100,000. UNQUOTE

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(ACTING)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/28/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE ADVISE HESSNER WE PREPARED ACCEPT ADDITIONAL LIRA CLEARANCES UP TO $100,000. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 147.

copy sent to JDC 2/27/45

11:30 a.m.
February 27, 1945

Miss Chaun cey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RHutchison: 2/26/45

Feb. 23, 1945

Cables to Harold Trobe, Lisbon, thru WRB

1. ADVISE RESNIK WE PREPARED ACCEPT ADDITIONAL LIRA CLEARANCES UP TO $100,000

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JERUSALEM

46, First

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Suggest you discuss Fishzohn memorandum furnished him regarding estimated additional requirements Balkan project which represents our understanding obligation incurred to end 1944 please cable urgently total sum spent and still unpaid also estimated additional requirements. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GLW)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/28/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, JERUSALEM, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE SUGGEST YOU DISCUSS FISHZOHN MEMORANDUM FURNISHED HIM REGARDING ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BALKAN PROJECT WHICH REPRESENTS OUR UNDERSTANDING OBLIGATION INCURRED TO END 1944 PLEASE CABLE URGENTLY TOTAL SUM SPENT AND STILL UNPAID ALSO ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. UNQUOTE

Copy sent JDC 2/28/45

11:30 a.m.
February 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RBH RBHutchison: 2/26/45

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Cable to Joint Distribution Committee (Dr. Magnes) Jerusalem thru WRB

SUGGEST YOU DISCUSS FISHZOHN MEMORANDUM FURNISHED HIM REGARDING ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BALKAN PROJECT WHICH REPRESENTS OUR UNDERSTANDING OBLIGATION INCURRED TO END 1944 PLEASE CABLE URGENTLY TOTAL SUM SPENT AND STILL UNPAID ALSO ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

LEAVITT
JDC

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March 1, 1945

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LISBON

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Please deliver the following message (WRB 149) to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Wrote you February ninth also advised Reenik we shipped fiftythousand pounds Matzoth and tenthousand pounds Matzomeal via American Relief for Italy. Also sent fiftythousand pounds Matzoth and twentyfive thousand passover packages via Jewish Welfare Board. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GFT)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/28/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Harold Trobe from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE WROTE YOU FEBRUARY NINTH ALSO ADVISED RESNIK WE SHIPPED FIFTYTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOTH AND TENTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOMEAL VIA AMERICAN RELIEF FOR ITALY. ALSO SENT FIFTYTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOTH AND TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND PASSOVER PACKAGES VIA JEWISH WELFARE BOARD. UNQUOTE.

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 149

copy sent to JDC 2/27/45

11:30 a.m.
February 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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RBHutchison: 2/26/45

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3. WROTE YOU FEBRUARY NINTH ALSO ADVISED RESNIK WE SHIPPED FIFTYTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOTH AND TENTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOMEAL VIA AMERICAN RELIEF FOR ITALY. ALSO SENT FIFTYTHOUSAND POUNDS MATZOTH AND TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND PASSOVER PACKAGES VIA JEWISH WELFARE BOARD.

LEAVITT
JDC

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JDC - Prec Mem.

3 - 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Embassy in Lisbon under date of March 1, 1945:

"Resnik cables AFHQ informed the British and American Embassies and the Governor of Greece that Greece approves remittances of $75,000 each January, February. Bank of Greece selected Guaranty Trust Company, New York, and Bank of England to receive sterling or dollar deposits for payment equivalents our Greek representative. Resnik is now ready to proceed to Greece. Advised Schwartz."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt,
American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

RBH:hd 3/3/45

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Dated March 1, 1945

Rec'd 12:48 p.m.

Secretary of State,

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WRB 347 JDC 192 FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE

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MAR 3 - 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Arthur Greenleigh was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of March 1, 1945:

"Berk Baskind claims to have deposited the equivalent of three thousand dollars March 1940, Poland, with David Gusik. Please cable verification."

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt,
American Jewish Joint
Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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FOR MOSES LEAVITT AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FROM ARTHUR GREENLEIGH

"Berk Baskind claims to have deposited equivalent three thousand dollars March 1940 Poland with David Gusik. Please cable verification."

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March 2, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Remnik was received through the American Embassy in Rome under date of March 1, 1945:

"Number four. Your letter February 21 concerning Matzoth distribution received. Our distribution facilities already completely organized working in close cooperation with Tavel and others. Still awaiting shipments. For your information we are supplying two tons matzoth additional packages for 900 refugees leaving for Palestine during passover holidays.

"Have secured through American relief for Italy clothing for 1600 children distribution taking place February 27 in Rome. Other supplies promised for other areas including some from UNRRA. Regards."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Rome

Dated March 1, 1945

Rec'd 10:57 a.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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568, March 1, Noon.

FOR MOSES LEVITT FROM RESNIK

Number four. Your letter February 21 concerning Matzoth distribution received. Our distribution facilities already completely organized working in close cooperation with Tavel and others. Still awaiting shipments. For your information we supplying two tons matzoth additional packages for 900 refugees leaving for Palestine during passover holidays.

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LISBON

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The cable below is WRB 148.

Please deliver paraphrase of the following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Under license 678708 remitted $300,000 Comite National de Defense de Juifs Brussels please advise Schwartz and Alfred Goldschmidt. UNQUOTE

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For security reasons the text of this message must be closely [illegible]

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE UNDER LICENSE 678708 REMITTED $300,000 COMITE NATIONAL DE DEFENSE DE JUIFS BRUSSELS PLEASE ADVISE SCHWARTZ AND ALFRED GOLDSCHMIDT UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 148

Copy sent to JDC 2/27/45

11:30 a.m.
February 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RBH RBHutchison: 2/26/45

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2. UNDER LICENSE 678708 REMITTED $300,000 COMITE NATIONAL DE DEFENSE DE JUIFS BRUSSELS PLEASE ADVISE SCHWARTZ AND ALFRED GOLDSCHMIDT

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The cable below is WRB 61.

Please deliver paraphrase of the following message to Dr. Schwartz from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE $100,000 appropriation for Easter bread fully committed and spent. Until Jewish Welfare Board advises breakdown amounts various countries we unable give you all details. Laseman cabled urgently requesting approval Easter bread appropriation 4,000 pounds for Greece which view imminence holidays we authorized and included in overall total $100,000. Agreed appropriation million and half francs Easter bread France. UNQUOTE

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(Acting)

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON, FOR MANN, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Dr. Schwartz from N. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE $100,000 APPROPRIATION FOR EASTER BREAD FULLY COMMITTED AND SPENT. UNTIL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD ADVISES BREAKDOWN AMOUNTS VARIOUS COUNTRIES WE UNABLE GIVE YOU ALL DETAILS. PASSMAN CABLED URGENTLY REQUESTING APPROVAL EASTER BREAD APPROPRIATION 4,000 POUNDS FOR GREECE WHICH VIEW IMMINENCE HOLIDAYS WE AUTHORIZED AND INCLUDED IN OVERALL TOTAL $100,000. AGREED APPROPRIATION MILLION AND HALF FRANCS EASTER BREAD FRANCE. UNQUOTE.

THIS IS WRB LONDON CABLE NO. 51

Copy sent to JDC 2/27/45

11:45 a.m.
February 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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Cable to Dr. J. J. Schwartz, London, thru WRB

$100,000 APPROPRIATION FOR EASTER BREAD FULLY COMMITTED AND SPENT. UNTIL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD ADVISES BREAKDOWN AMOUNTS VARIOUS COUNTRIES WE UNABLE GIVE YOU ALL DETAILS. PASSMAN CABLED URGENTLY REQUESTING APPROVAL EASTER BREAD APPROPRIATION 4,000 POUNDS FOR GREECE WHICH VIEW IMMINENCE HOLIDAYS WE AUTHORIZED AND INCLUDED IN OVERALL TOTAL $100,000. AGREED APPROPRIATION MILLION AND HALF FRANCS EASTER BREAD FRANCE

Leavitt,
JDC

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February 27, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in London under date of February 26, 1945:

"Personnel problem becoming serious as new territories open up. Have arranged for Israel Jacobson to accompany OSE mission to Yugoslavia as our representative and necessary permission has been received. Resnik now has AFH permission to proceed Greece which asking him postpone pending my arrival Italy. Obvious we cannot leave Italy uncovered and Intergovernmental Committee concerned over possible departure our representatives. In addition UNRRA personnel in Italy temporarily assigned to US may soon be reclaimed for UNRRA assignments. Urgently important therefore you immediately send at least two additional staff members Italy for assignment there or to be sent to adjacent territories. In addition consider extremely urgent that three to four persons be sent to France for preliminary training and assignment in territories which will be liberated. Have also undertaken preliminary discussions with Intergovernmental Committee and UNRRA for JDC personnel to be attached to their missions German territory to be attached SHAEF prospects favorable but personnel must be available. In addition it will be possible send representative liberated Czechoslovakia near future and suitable person should be on hand in France or England. Also utmost importance immediate

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assistance be given Saly Mayer and suggest if Robert Pilpel available he be assigned that post. Would ask you determine without delay status Pilpel in connection overseas assignment after discussions with Linder. Consider it likely that London office will become more important soon and therefore planning transfer some Lisbon personnel here keeping a good skeleton staff in Lisbon for communications and for work in Iberian Peninsula. Please reply urgently as situation most acute."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 2/27/45

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London

Dated February 26, 1945

Rec'd 12:50 p.m.

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Secretary of State,

Washington

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FOLLOWING FOR MOSES LEAVITT JDC NEW YORK THROUGH WRB FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

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(Paul Mann)

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February 26, 1945
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LISBON
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The cable below is WRB 144.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Advise Resnik we received license repay debts and suggest he make repayments securing complete unconditional release from each lender. We have made no remittance direct to Greece as have had no instructions to whom remit and in what amounts. Advise whether remittance should be made and to whom. Linder left for London last weekend.

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~~(ACTING)~~
(GLW)

For security reasons the text of this message must be closely guarded.

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2/24/45

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Harold Trobe from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE ADVISE RESNIK WE RECEIVED LICENSE REPAY DEBTS AND SUGGEST HE MAKE REPAYMENTS SECURING COMPLETE UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE FROM EACH LENDER. WE HAVE MADE NO REMITTANCE DIRECT TO GREECE AS HAVE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS TO WHOM REMIT AND IN WHAT AMOUNTS. ADVISE WHETHER REMITTANCE SHOULD BE MADE AND TO WHOM. FULLSTOP LINDER LEFT FOR LONDON LAST WEEKEND. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 144

Copy sent to Leavitt 2/21/45

2:30 p.m.
February 21, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RBH RBHutchison: 2/20/45

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Cable to Harold Trobe, Lisbon, thru WRB

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Private message: JDC

February 24, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in London under date of February 23, 1945:

"Wish advise unified relief agency in France already set up and beginning functioning March 1st. President Louis Ascher other members of committee include Guy de Rothschild, Marc Yarblum Schrager and others. Secretary General is Raymond Geissman and Director General Maurice Brener who is on leave from us. Gaston Kahn has joined our staff as consultant on relief matters. Full list of board and officers being forwarded with further details. After consultation with Harold Linder we both believe inadvisable purchase French francs your end until you hear further from us."

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 2/24/45

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ALH-769

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London

Dated February 23, 1945

Rec'd 10:05 a.m.

Secretary of State

Washington

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FOLLOWING FOR MOSES LEAVITT, JDC, NEW YORK, FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ

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FEB 26 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Resnik was received through the American Embassy in Rome under date of February 23, 1945:

"Group of doctors in Yugoslavia cabled our organization and American Jewish Committee regarding typhus epidemic in Yugoslavia asking assistance in fighting epidemic. This matter fully known to me and to American Typhus Commission under General Fox.

"Jacobson will accompany OSE medical mission which, for your information, has been given permission by AFHQ to enter Yugoslavia."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt,
Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Rome

Dated February 23, 1945

Rec'd 4 p.m.

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Secretary of State,

Washington.

513, February 23, 5 p.m.

FOR AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, NEW YORK, FROM RESNIK. 3

Group of physicians in Yugoslavia cabled American Jewish Committee and our organization concerning typhus epidemic in Yugoslavia requesting assistance in combating epidemic. This matter fully known to American Typhus Commission under General Fox and to us.

For your information AFHQ granted permission OSE medical mission enter Yugoslavia. Jacobson will accompany.

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February 24, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in London under date of February 23, 1945:

"Passman and Trobe now Istanbul. Bulgarian and Rumanian Legations both cabled for authorization to grant their visas and Ambassador Steinhardt has cabled to American representatives both countries asking their help. Hope you will support promptly and vigorously since Filderman insisting earliest possible arrival our representatives. Understand Herbert Katski returning Washington and would suggest you again explore possibility enlisting his services our behalf. Would appreciate knowing if possible approximate date General O'Dwyer's arrival Switzerland and if he proposes proceed via London.

"After discussions with Harold Linder still feel Plaut should proceed France for assignment. If his plans are now completed for North Africa we shall try to arrange for his entry to France from there."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, New York.

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London

Dated February 23, 1945

Rec'd 10:18 a.m.

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Washington

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FOLLOWING FOR MOSES LEAVITT, JDC, NEW YORK, FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ:

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LONDON

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Please request Mann deliver following message to Dr. Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Pilpel not returning duty overseas. Biele anxious take overseas assignment. We believe Biele should be assigned Lisbon office for time being and after short period with Trobe suggest Trobe be re-assigned by you for field duty. Hayes suggesting two or three Canadian field workers be assigned your staff. We agree in principle provided standard of workers up to our own staff. Advice whether you agree. UNQUOTE

The above is WRB 45.

GREW
(Acting)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/23/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON, FOR MANN FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Dr. Schwarts from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE PIEPEL NOT RETURNING DUTY OVERSEAS. BIELE ANXIOUS TAKE OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENT. WE BELIEVE BIELE SHOULD BE ASSIGNED LISBON OFFICE FOR TIME BEING AND AFTER SHORT PERIOD WITH TROBE SUGGEST TROBE BE RE-ASSIGNED BY YOU FOR FIELD DUTY. HAYES SUGGESTING TWO TO THREE CANADIAN FIELD WORKERS BE ASSIGNED YOUR STAFF. WE AGREE IN PRINCIPLE PROVIDED STANDARD OF WORKERS UP TO OUR OWN STAFF. ADVISE WHETHER YOU AGREE. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LONDON CABLE NO. 45

Copy sent to Leavitt 2/21/45

2:15 p.m.
February 21, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RBH RBHutchison: 2/20/45

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FEBRUARY 19, 1945.

Cable to Dr. Schwartz, ~~Paris~~ London, thru WRB

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PILPEL NOT RETURNING DUTY OVERSEAS. BIELE ANXIOUS TAKE OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENT. WE BELIEVE BIELE SHOULD BE ASSIGNED LISBON OFFICE FOR TIME BEING AND AFTER SHORT PERIOD WITH TROBE SUGGEST TROBE BE REASSIGNED BY YOU FOR FIELD DUTY. HAYES SUGGESTING TWO TO THREE CANADIAN FIELD WORKERS BE ASSIGNED YOUR STAFF. WE AGREE IN PRINCIPLE PROVIDED STANDARD OF WORKERS UP TO OUR OWN STAFF. ADVISE WHETHER YOU AGREE.

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LONDON

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Please request Mann deliver following message to Dr. Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Reference your cable Belgian requirements we are not clear whether National Committee for Defense Jews actually received $150,000 or not. Belgian Embassy advises they cabled their Government under date November 21st authorizing franc equivalent be placed disposal National Committee. We applied for licence remit $300,000 to Alfred Goldschmidt which hope send next days. Resnikoff letter January 12th indicates he assuming responsibility for Jugoslavia Albania and Greek programs. Assume Passman may feel at least Greece within his competence and before conflict jurisdiction arises hope you will clarify responsibilities Resnik Passman. UNQUOTE

The above is WRB 47.

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(Acting)
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2/23/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON, FOR MANN FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Dr. Schwartz from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE REFERENCE YOUR CABLE BELGIAN REQUIREMENTS WE ARE NOT CLEAR WHETHER NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE JEWS ACTUALLY RECEIVED $150,000 OR NOT. BELGIAN EMBASSY ADVISES THEY CABLED THEIR GOVERNMENT UNDER DATE NOVEMBER 21ST AUTHORIZING FRANC EQUIVALENT BE PLACED DISPOSAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE. WE APPLIED FOR LICENSE REMIT $300,000 TO ALFRED GOLDSCHMIDT WHICH HOPE SEND NEXT DAYS. FULLSTOP RESNIKS LETTER JANUARY 12TH INDICATES HE ASSUMING RESPONSIBILITY FOR JUGOSLAVIA ALBANIA AND GREEK PROGRAMS. ASSUME PASSMAN MAY FEEL AT LEAST GREECE WITHIN HIS COMPETENCE AND BEFORE CONFLICT JURISDICTION ARISES HOPE YOU WILL CLARIFY RESPONSIBILITIES RESNIK PASSMAN. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LONDON CABLE NO. 47

copy sent to Leavitt 2/21/45

2:15 p.m.
February 21, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

RBH RBHutchison: 2/20/45

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Cables to Dr. Schwartz, ~~Paris~~ London, thru WRB

February 19, 1945.

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AMEMBASSY

LONDON

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Please request Mann deliver following message to Dr. Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Samuel Goldwyn President Welfare Fund LosAngeles now Paris. Important you familiarize him our program and furnish available material useful for LosAngeles campaign. UNQUOTE

The above is WRB 46.

GREW
(Acting)

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2/23/46

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON, FOR MANN FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Dr. Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE SAMUEL GOLDWYN PRESIDENT WELFARE FUND LOSANGELES NOW PARIS. IMPORTANT YOU FAMILIARIZE HIM OUR PROGRAM AND FURNISH AVAILABLE MATERIAL USEFUL FOR LOSANGELES CAMPAIGN. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LONDON CABLE NO. 46

Copy sent to Leavitt 2/21/45

2:15 p.m.
February 21, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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AMEMBASSY

PARIS

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Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Reference Jacobson's cable to Hicem regarding World Jewish Congress proposal Intercross operate with our funds in their name in southeastern Europe assume you communicating Intercross Geneva this not acceptable to us. No reason why Joint cannot operate in its own name in these countries and Filderman should be instructed accordingly. Although making every effort secure admission our representative Rumania we have not yet obtained clearance. UNQUOTE

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(Acting)
(GHW)
ACTING

WHB:MMV:KG
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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE REFERENCE JACOBSON'S CABLE TO HICEM REGARDING WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS PROPOSAL INTERCROSS OPERATE WITH OUR FUNDS IN THEIR NAME IN SOUTHEASTERN EUROPE ASSUME YOU COMMUNICATING INTERCROSS GENEVA THIS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO US. NO REASON WHY JOINT CANNOT OPERATE IN ITS OWN NAME IN THESE COUNTRIES AND FILDERMAN SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED ACCORDINGLY. ALTHOUGH MAKING EVERY EFFORT SECURE ADMISSION OUR REPRESENTATIVE RUMANIA WE HAVE NOT YET OBTAINED CLEARANCE. UNQUOTE

copy sent to Leavitt 2/19/45

2:30 p.m.
February 17, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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FEB 26 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Embassy in Lisbon under date of February 22, 1945:

"Following message is Rome's No. 26 of February 17, 1945, orginating with Resnik. 'No. 26 of February 17, 1945 at 10 a.m. For Trobe of JDC from Resnik; 35 Secret. Palestine transport of 900 tentatively scheduled to depart on or about March 25; this for your confidential information."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt,
Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

RBH:inp 2/26/45

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DIVISION OF
CENTRAL SERVICES
TELEGRAPH SECTION

ALH-1078
This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government Agency. (~~RESTRICTED~~)

Lisbon

Dated February 22, 1945

Rec'd 8:30 p.m., 23rd

Secretary of State

Washington

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418, February 22, 7 p.m.

FOR LEAVITT FROM TROBE WRB 333 JDC 184

Following is Rome's No. 26 February 17.

Originating Resnik:

26, February 17, 10 a.m.

FOR TROBE JDC FROM RESNIK

35 [redacted] Your ~~confidential~~ information Palestine transport of 900 tentatively scheduled to leave on or about March 25.

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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PARIS

719 Twenty-second

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, through War Refugee Board.

QUOTE Benjamin Brock available European assignment. Age thirty two married. Two years experience Red Cross Northafrica Italy. Background educational and public relief. Preferred accept forty two hundred. He impresses us as intelligent with good potentialities but should be used now in position secondary responsibility. Advise whether you need personnel this type and how many. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GHW)

WRD:MMV:RG
2/22/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE BENJAMIN BROCK AVAILABLE EUROPEAN ASSIGNMENT. AGE THIRTY TWO MARRIED STOP TWO YEARS EXPERIENCE RED CROSS NORTHAFRICA ITALY STOP BACKGROUND EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLIC RELIEF STOP PREFERRED ACCEPT FORTY TWO HUNDRED STOP HE IMPRESSES US AS INTELLIGENT WITH GOOD POTENTIALITIES BUT SHOULD BE USED NOW IN POSITION SECONDARY RESPONSIBILITY STOP ADVISE WHETHER YOU NEED PERSONNEL THIS TYPE AND HOW MANY UNQUOTE

copy sent to Leavitt 2/19/45

11:30 a.m.
February 19, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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"JOINTDISCO" NEW YORK

TELEPHONE: LExington 2-5200

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Feb. 16, 1945

Miss Florence Hodel, Asst. Executive Director,
War Refugee Board,
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear ~~Miss Hodel:~~ Florence

Would you kindly have the attached cable sent through the channels of the War Refugee Board to Dr. J. J. Schwartz, in Paris?

Please send us your confirming copy of this in due course.

Sincerely yours,

Moses A. Leavitt,
Secretary

MAL:DH
enc.

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OUT GOING CABLE

Feb. 16, 1945

J. J. SCHWARTZ
PARIS

BENJAMIN BROOK AVAILABLE EUROPEAN ASSIGNMENT AGE THIRTY TWO MARRIED STOP TWO YEARS EXPERIENCE RED CROSS NORTHAFRICA ITALY STOP BACKGROUND EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLIC RELIEF STOP PREFERRED ACCEPT FORTY TWO HUNDRED STOP HE IMPRESSES US AS INTELLIGENT WITH GOOD POTENTIALITIES BUT SHOULD BE USED NOW IN POSITION SECONDARY RESPONSIBILITY STOP ADVISE WHETHER YOU NEED PERSONNEL THIS TYPE AND HOW MANY

LEAVITT
JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

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Cable messages file

February 23, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 21, 1945:

> "Your 412, Saly giving Intellectuals Committee Swiss francs 10,000 monthly. Schwartz advises this amount arrived at after discussion with Mrs. Boritzer who actively in charge of work. Schwartz believes you should not make any grants to Fanny Silverschein apart from amount already granted in Switzerland. Regarding budget for Paris matter being taken up by Greenleigh who will advise, Schwartz requests you advise if you have any other recommendations."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel
Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS
TELEGRAPH SECTION

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FEB 22 AM 10:29

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PLAIN

Lisbon

Dated February 21, 1945

Rec'd 1:20 p.m., 22nd

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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405, Twenty-first.

WRB 336 JDC 187 FOR LEAVITT FROM TROBE

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Private messages

February 23, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 21, 1945:

> "Mosaiska advises families Sweden eager send funds relatives in Bucharest ask if they can accept funds whereupon we authorize Filderman pay out equivalent amount. Our impression is every effort should be made effect some arrangement if possible since this would help our relations with Swedish community. Cabled Mosaiska we consulting you and will advise soonest."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 2/23/45

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DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS
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Lisbon

Dated February 21, 1945

Rec'd 1:28 p.m., 22nd

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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409, Twenty-first

GRB 340 JDC 190 FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

Losaiska advises families Sweden eager send funds relatives in Bucharest ask if they can accept funds whereupon we authorize Filderman pay out equivalent amount. Our impression is every effort should be made effect some arrangement if possible since this would help our relations with Swedish community. Cabled Losaiska we consulting you and will advise soonest.

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February 23, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 21, 1945:

"Mayer advises Maurice Marcus in Belgrade, reports approximately 2,000 Jewish families in great need clothing, blankets, linens, medicaments, housing."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Secretary of State,

Washington.

404, Twenty-first.

WRB 335 JDC 186 FOR LEVITT FROM TROBE.

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Please deliver following message to Judah Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Following cabled to Joseph Schwartz today: INNER QUOTE Reference Resnik's cable projected emigration 900 children 100 adults from Greece we disturbed excessive cost $600 per passage unless emigration of group is matter of life and death we cannot authorize such excessive costs even by partial participation advise your recommendations. END INNER QUOTE UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GLW)

WRB:MNV:KG
2/21/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, JERUSALEM, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Judah Magnes from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE FOLLOWING CABLED TO JOSEPH SCHWARTZ TODAY: INNERQUOTE REFERENCE RESNIK'S CABLE PROJECTED EMIGRATION 900 CHILDREN 100 ADULTS FROM GREECE WE DISTURBED EXCESSIVE COST $600 PER PASSAGE UNLESS EMIGRATION OF GROUP IS MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH WE CANNOT AUTHORIZE SUCH EXCESSIVE COSTS EVEN BY PARTIAL PARTICIPATION ADVISE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS. END INNERQUOTE UNQUOTE

Copy sent to Leavitt 2/19/45

2:30 p.m.
February 17, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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LISBON
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The cable below is WRB 143.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Advise Schwartz we applying for license remit $10,000 Gottfarb for purchase Sweden medical supplies for Czechoslovakia. Your 161 you authorized instruct Gottfarb use $10,000 from balance Margolis left for medical supplies Poland. Applied license use balance $16,000 for Poland and remitting additional $9,000 total $25,000 making grand total $35,000 medical supplies Poland. UNQUOTE

GREW
(ACTING)
(GEW)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/21/46

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DECLASSIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE ADVISE SCHWARTZ WE APPLYING FOR LICENSE REMIT $10,000 GOTTFARB FOR PURCHASE SWEDEN MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA. YOUR 161 YOU AUTHORIZED INSTRUCT GOTTFARB USE $10,000 FROM BALANCE MARGOLIS LEFT FOR MEDICAL SUPPLIES POLAND. APPLIED LICENSE USE BALANCE $16,000 FOR POLAND AND REMITTING ADDITIONAL $9,000 TOTAL $25,000 MAKING GRAND TOTAL $35,000 MEDICAL SUPPLIES POLAND. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 143.

Copy sent to Leavitt 2/19/45

2:30 p.m.
February 17, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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February 23, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 21, 1945:

"Saly advises credit made available to Filderman for first quarter 1945 amounts to Swiss francs, six million."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 2/23/45

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Lisbon

Dated February 21, 1945

Rec'd 1:05 p.m., 22nd

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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FEB 23 1945
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407, Twenty-first.

WRB 338 JDC 189 FOR LEVITT FROM TROBE.

Saly advises credit made available to Filderman for first quarter 1945 amounts to Swiss francs six million.

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J. Schwartz

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AMEMBASSY

PARIS
698, X Twenty-first

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Please cable soonest your recommendations for March budgetary grants. Noel Arnovici received reentry permit proceeding apply for British visa can you expedite? UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GLW)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/21/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from

M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE PLEASE CABLE SOONEST YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MATCH SUBSIDIARY GRANTS. NOEL ARNOVICI RECEIVED RE-ENTRY PERMIT PRECEDING APPLY FOR BRITISH VISA CAN YOU EXPEDITE? UNQUOTE

copy sent to Leavitt 2/19/45

2:30 p.m.
February 17, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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March 1, 1945

In cable from Lisbon 386 February 20 for WRB JDC 180 serial number should read 385 instead 386. Correction from the Embassy.

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Gen. O'Donnell

CORRECTION

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February 22, 1945

In cable from Lisbon 385 February 20 WRB change serial number to 386.

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February 21, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Embassy in Lisbon under date of February 20, 1945:

"Resnik advises permission granted enter Greece but departure delayed until currency remittance can be worked out with AFHQ, Office Political Advisers, British Resident Minister of State and British Pay Service in Greece."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt,
Secretary,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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RBHutchison: 2/21/45

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Lisbon

Dated February 20, 1945

Rec'd 8:15 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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385, twentieth.

WRB 328, JDC 180, FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

Resnik advises permission granted enter Greece but departure delayed until currency remittance can be worked out with AFHQ, Office Political Advisers, British Resident Minister of State and British Pay Service in Greece.

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FEB 21 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message was received for you from Harold Trobe through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 20, 1945:

> "Further our 159. Schwartz advised Bertrand Jocobson following: 'Use is now sending a medical mission into Yugoslavia and will be able to look into situation which you describe OSE mission going under sponsorship Yugoslav Government and brings medical equipment and supplies would prefer take no action on problem you suggest until mission has had opportunity to look into situation and report'."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt,
Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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War Refugee Bd.
Gen O Dwyer

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Lisbon

Dated February 20, 1945

Rec'd 11:04 a.m., 21st.

Secretary of State

Washington

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383, twentieth.

WRB 330 JDC 182 FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

Further our 159. Schwartz advised Bertrand Jacobson following: "USE is now sending a medical mission into Yugoslavia and will be able to look into situation which you describe USE mission going under sponsorship Yugoslav Government and brings medical equipment and supplies would prefer take no action on problem you suggest until mission has had opportunity to look into situation and report".

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376 Lisbon
2/19

FEB 20 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Embassy in Lisbon under date of February 19, 1945:

"Further our 173, Resnik advises received 8,494,160 lira representing full payment Oswego exchange apart miscellaneous currencies which sent Oswego refugees direct through War Refugee Board. Please advise whether outstanding debts Italy amount 5,000,000 lira may now be paid Resnik further advises Almono Hahun Jewish Agency representative arrived Italy for Palestine transport of 900 understand these refugees will deposit large sum and Allied committee feel ad hoc arrangement can be made for this group to extent 90 to 100,000 dollars. Please advise whether we prepared take up equivalent this sum in lira for payment Palestine."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Gen. O. Dwyer

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Lisbon

Dated February 19, 1945

Rec'd. 3 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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WRB 327 JDC 179 FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE

Further our 173, Resnik advises received 8,494,160 lira representing full payment Oswego exchange apart miscellaneous currencies which sent Oswego refugees direct through War Refugee Board. Please advise whether outstanding debts Italy amount 5,000,000 lira may now be paid Resnik further advises Almono Hahtn Jewish Agency representative arrived Italy for Palestine transport of 900 understand these refugees will deposit large sum and Allied committee feel ad hoc arrangement can be made for this group to extent 90 to 100,000 dollars. Please advise whether we prepared take up equivalent this sum in lira for payment Palestine.

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PARIS

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The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Linder expects arrive London early next week. H. Joseph Hyman Indianapolis renews application for work with JDC also Dr. Morris Davidson husband of Cecilia Razovsky please advise promptly whether interested having either. Advise whether Universal deposited twenty million francs Joint account. UNQUOTE

[redacted]

For security reasons the text of this message must be closely guarded.

GREW (ACTING) (GLW)

WRB:MMV:KG
2/19/45

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DECLASSIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from

H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE LINDER EXPECTS ARRIVE LONDON EARLY NEXT WEEK. H. JOSEPH HYMAN INDIANAPOLIS RENEWS APPLICATION FOR WORK WITH JDC ALSO DR. MORRIS DAVIDSON HUSBAND OF CECILIA RAZOVSKY PLEASE ADVISE PROMPTLY WHETHER INTERESTED HAVING EITHER. ADVISE WHETHER UNIVERSAL DEPOSITED TWENTY MILLION FRANCS JOINT ACCOUNT. UNQUOTE

copy sent to Am. Jewish Joint Dist. Comm.
2/15/45

2:30 p.m.
February 15, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

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Mr H White 4509-A

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Adopted by TDC 2/14/45.

Mr White
Pls return file
To Mr Thompson
2-14-45
RWS

J. W. Pehle
Assistant to the Secretary

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Private messages
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February 19, 1945

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38, Nineteenth

The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver following message to Josef Guzik, c/o Abram Wertheim, Jewish Agency, from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Radio Lublin Poland announced David Guzik alive. We requesting confirmation and will advise. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GHW)

WRB:MHV:KG
2/19/45

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CABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, JERUSALEM, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Josef Guzik, c/o Abram Wertheim, Jewish Agency, from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE RADIO LUBLIN POLAND ANNOUNCED DAVID GUZIK ALIVE. WE REQUESTING CONFIRMATION AND WILL ADVISE. UNQUOTE

copy sent to Leavitt 2/17/45 -

3:00 p.m.
February 16, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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RDrury 2/16/45

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4-9 Rome

February 19, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Resnik was received through the American Embassy in Rome under date of February 17, 1945:

"Alexander returning US on his return here in line with your recommendations our findings will not be on our staff. Please inform interested parties."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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DIVISION OF CENTRAL SERVICES TELEGRAPH SECTION

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PLAIN

Rome

Dated February 17, 1945

Rec'd. 5:10 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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449, Seventeenth, 10 a.m.

FOR MAX PEARLMAN AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE NEW YORK FROM RESNIK. NUMBER 2.

Alexander returning US on his return here in line with your recommendations our findings will not be on our staff. Please inform interested parties.

KIRK

MRM

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Rome
2/17

February 21, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Rosbik was received through the American Embassy under date of February 17, 1945:

"Completely informed on Zolli incident which is the cause of considerable unrest and uneasiness here. Community elections likely to be accelerated by incident and Ottolenghi's replacement probably will result.

"Commissioner for Union Communities in Liberated Italy, Giuseppi Nathan, is the target for considerable resentment.

"We are trying to neutralize and hold in line irresponsible action being suggested by outside influences. We are of the opinion that local community must solve its own problems, which it has done, in fact, since Zolli resigned from Rabbinate on the first of February, and it was not until the 13th of February that the incident occurred. The incident is deplored by some of the local general press."

Very truly yours,

/s/ Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York, New York.

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INCOMING TELEGRAM

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS
CENTRAL SERVICES
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This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government Agency. ~~(RESTRICTED)~~

Rome

Dated February 17, 1945

Rec'd 5:10 p.m.

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Secretary of State

Washington

446, February 17, 10 a.m.

FOR LEAVITT, JDC NEW YORK, FROM RESNIK

One. Fully informed on Zolli incident which causing considerable uneasiness and unrest here. Incident likely to accelerate community elections which will probably result in Ottolenghi's replacement.

Considerable resentment being expressed toward Giuseppi Nathan, Commissioner for Union Communities liberated Italy.

Irresponsible action being suggested by outside influences which we trying to neutralize and hold in line. Our point of view is that local community must solve its problems which, in fact, it has since Zolli resigned from Rabbinate February first and the incident did not occur until February 13. Some of local general press deplore incident.

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February 17, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 16, 1945:

> "Resnik advises American relief for Italy shipping 25,000 pounds matzoth and meal by means of their shipping facilities. Please get details concerning shipment so he can be ready to receive it."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. H. A. Leavitt,
Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

RBH: 2/17/45

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Lisbon

Dated February 16, 1945

Rec'd 4:30 p.m.

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WRB 324 JDC 178.

FOR LEVITT FROM TROBE.

Resnik advises American relief for Italy shipping 25,000 pounds matzoth and meal by means of their shipping facilities. Please get details concerning shipment so he can be ready to receive it.

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PARIS

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Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee through War Refugee Board:

QUOTE Despite long protracted negotiations UPA decided launch separate appeal for 1945 and JDC proceeding organize separate national campaign its behalf writing fully. UNQUOTE

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(ACTING)
(GHW)

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2/16/45

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

To:
(1) Mr D White 44091
(2)
(3)

Telephoned by
J R C 2/13/45

Mr White

Please return
file to Miss Hotchkiss
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J. W. Pehle
Assistant to the Secretary

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE DESPITE LONG PROTRACTED NEGOTIATIONS UPA DECIDED LAUNCH SEPARATE APPEAL FOR 1945 AND JDC PROCEEDING ORGANIZE SEPARATE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN ITS BEHALF WRITING FULLY. UNQUOTE

copy sent to Leavitt 2/15/45

2:45 p.m.
February 14, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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February 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon:

"Resnick advises he making progress having our representative enter Greece. Please advise if you have made recent transfer of funds directly to Greece and, if so, amount and to whom."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Lisbon

Dated February 15, 1945

Rec'd 12:58 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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WRB 321 WDC 175.

FOR LEAVITT FROM TROBE.

Resnick advises he making progress having our representative enter Greece. Please advise if you have made recent transfer of funds directly to Greece and, if so, amount and to whom.

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message sent 2/16/45

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February 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Mr. Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 15, 1945:

"Resnik cables 'Please give your advise as soon as possible on following: Are we authorized to pay debts some of which bear interest out of funds that Allied Financial Agency is turning over to us. We have license to repay debts. I recommend that all outstanding debts be paid totalling five million lire as I have reported previously. Payments have as yet not been made by Allied Financial Agency. However we expect they will do so very soon'."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RESEARCH
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War Ref Bd.
Gen O'Dwyer

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Lisbon

Dated February 15, 1945

Rec'd 3:02 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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Message sent 2/16/45

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February 15, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 13, 1945:

"Alfred Goldschmidt, chairman our Belgian committee, urgently requests you pay Federal Reserve Bank, New York, $300,000 for account Banque Nationale de Belgique and ask Federal Reserve to advise Banque Nationale by cable that deposit has been made. We confirm receipt contribution from Universal Films."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Paris

Dated February 13, 1945

Rec'd 10:21 p.m., 14th

Secretary of State

Washington

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679, Thirteenth

FOR MOSES LEAVITT, AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

"Alfred Goldschmidt, chairman our Belgian committee urgently requests you pay Federal Reserve Bank, New York $300,000 for account Banque Nationale de Belgique and ask Federal Reserve to advise Banque Nationale by cable that deposit has been made. We confirm receipt contribution from Universal Films".

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February 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 13, 1945:

"With regard to Balkan countries purchases of relief in kind should be charged against regular budgetary appropriations and both we and Saly Mayer should be notified amounts involved. With regard to France, since shipments so irregular and uncertain difficult offset such purchases against budgetary appropriations and would therefore suggest that they be in addition to monetary relief at least until such time as commodities can be sent on more regular basis and our agencies can adjust themselves accordingly."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Paris

Dated February 13, 1945

Rec'd 8:37 p.m., 14th

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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681, Thirteenth.

FOR MOSES LEAVITT AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

"With regard to Balkan countries purchases of relief in kind should be charged against regular budgetary appropriations and both we and Saly Mayer should be notified amounts involved. With regard to France, since shipments so irregular and uncertain difficult offset such purchases against budgetary appropriations and would therefore suggest that they be in addition to monetary relief at least until such time as commodities can be sent on more regular basis and our agencies can adjust themselves accordingly".

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message sent 2/16/45

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February 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 13, 1945:

"Expect leave Saturday for London confer Intergovernmental Committee others numerous urgent problems. Returning here within week's time enroute to Italy. Hope Harold Linder will be available London for consultation."

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Gen. O. Dwyer

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Paris

Dated February 13, 1945

Rec'd 10:55 a.m., 15th.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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680, Thirteenth

FOR MOSES LEAVITT AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

"Expect leave Saturday for London confer Intergovernmental Committee others numerous urgent problems. Returning here within week's time enroute to Italy. Hope Harold Linder will be available London for consultation."

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February 15, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 13, 1945:

"In order for us to secure French visa Saul Elgart necessary have following information: Date and place of birth, nationality, passport number, place of issuance and validity."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Dated February 13, 1945

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Secretary of State,

Washington.

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FOR MOSES LEAVITT, AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ

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"In order for us to secure French visa Saul Elgart necessary have following information: Date and place of birth, nationality, passport number, place of issuance and validity."

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February 13, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 12, 1945:

"JDC 168. Passman Jerusalem cables: 'Information reached Palestine from 111 liberated towns Lithuania Galizia Ukrainia White Russia where small number Jews remained each place and community councils formed. Ordered Teheran office send quantity parcels each place community council for distribution. To some places also sent Mazzoth parcels from Palestine also asked Teheran send cables letters to those places asking for details number Jews and situation. Airmailing you list communities. In addition 1200 individual letters reached Palestine from some those communities. To those we sent individually addressed parcels. Dispatched from Palestine 3340 Mazzoth parcels to Rabbis Yeshiva students Orthodox notables. We paid 3750 pounds for 2500 parcels balance paid by Palestinians.'

"Have advised Joseph Schwartz."

Very truly yours,

(?) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Lisbon

Dated February 12, 1945.

Rec'd 7:25 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

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JDC
(Trans. messages)

February 13, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 12, 1945:

"JDC 170. Our 165 group 1200 men moved to camps near Zurich and Montreaux. Dutch group receiving assistance from their government and German French Polish members transport cared for by Swiss authorities. Understand McClelland communicating Washington regarding evacuation this group from Switzerland."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Dated February 12, 1945

Rec'd 10:51 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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FCR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE

Our 165 group 1200 men moved to camps near Zurich and Montreaux. Dutch group receiving assistance from their government and German French Polish members transport cared for by Swiss authorities. Understand McClelland communicating Washington regarding evacuation this group from Switzerland.

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February 13, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 12, 1945:

"JDC 165. Hicem received following from Bertrand Jacobson, Bucharest: 'Following urgent message for Joint from Fildermann: Intercross here under pressure from World Jewish Congress delegates organize 'section for south-eastern Europe' which although will operate with Joint funds will conduct activities not in Joint's name but in name of Red Cross under direction of among others World Jewish Congress delegates. World Jewish Congress already making newspaper publicity thereof. Wired two months ago through Intercross for 2 million francs for assistance in Hungary but received no reply. Yugoslav delegates have requested medical supplies and Polish representatives asking relief for Poland. Wire urgently if you desire us act Hungary, Yugoslavia, Poland, and other liberated areas. If you approve extension our activity beyond Rumanian frontier please supply adequate funds and give me your decision whether to operate in name of Red Cross or Joint's name giving me exclusive authority to choose my co-workers and advise me whether you authorize collaboration with World Jewish Congress. We require urgently at least $800,000 for Rumanian assistance alone including restituted Transylvania otherwise we maintain destitution without reducing it. Insist urgent presence your representative here.'

"Have advised Joseph Schwartz."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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Dated February 12, 1945

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FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE.

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LISBON

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The cable below is WRB 138.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Harold Trobe from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Relatives here greatly concerned situation I. Rotenberg care family Keller Schwartz Rittergasse 12 Basle Switzerland. Please investigate and advise. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GHW)

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For security reasons the text of this message must be closely guarded.

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2/12/45

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE RELATIVES HERE GREATLY CONCERNED SITUATION I. ROTENBERG CARE FAMILY KELLER SCHWARTZ RITTERGASSE 12 BASLE SWITZERLAND. PLEASE INVESTIGATE AND ADVISE. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 138.

2:30 p.m.
February 9, 1945

Miss Chauncey(for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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AMEMBASSY

PARIS
564

The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Joseph Schwartz from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Please investigate situation Rachael Bosslen, Route Salvetat Lacaune Tarn and extend aid up to $250 accordance general licence 666456. Mrs. Bosslen cousin of Joe Weingarten Houston Texas. Please send us full report. UNQUOTE

GREW
(Acting)
(GHW)

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE PLEASE INVESTIGATE SITUATION RACHAEL BESSLEN, ROUTE SALVETAT LACAUNE TARN AND EXTEND AID UP TO $250 ACCORDANCE GENERAL LICENSE 665456. MRS. BESSLEN COUSIN OF JOE WEINGARTEN HOUSTON TEXAS. PLEASE SEND US FULL REPORT. UNQUOTE

2:30 p.m.
February 9, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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LISBON

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The cable below is WRB 136.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Remitting Baly Mayer $500,000 first half February. UNQUOTE

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(Acting)
(GEW)

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For security reasons the text of this message must be classified secret.

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By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN LEGATION, LISBON, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Harold Trobe from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE REMITTING SALY MAYER $500,000 FIRST HALF FEBRUARY. UNQUOTE

THIS IS WRB LISBON CABLE NO. 136

1:30 p.m.
February 7, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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PARIS

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The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Jewish artists group here appealed for aid behalf 35 Jewish artists France. Please consult Alfred Aberdan 14 Passage Victor Marchand Paris 13 Secretary who familiar needs artists groups. Assume they receiving fullest possible aid. Artists here prepared send through JDC artists materials enable group begin work. UNQUOTE

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(Acting)
(GHW)

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE JEWISH ARTISTS GROUP HERE APPEALED FOR AID BEHALF 35 JEWISH ARTISTS FRANCE. PLEASE CONSULT ALFRED ABERDAN 14 PASSAGE VICTOR MARCHAND PARIS 13 SECRETARY WHO FAMILIAR NEEDS ARTISTS GROUPS. ASSUME THEY RECEIVING FULLEST POSSIBLE AID. ARTISTS HERE PREPARED SEND THROUGH JDC ARTISTS MATERIALS ENABLE GROUP BEGIN WORK. UNQUOTE

copy sent JDC 2/8/45

1:30 p.m.
February 7, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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PARIS

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The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver paraphrase of following message to Joseph Schwartz from M. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE We agree we should have consulted you concerning Consistoire grant however oversight attributable partially to fact that funds in nature of loan of indefinite maturity. Have assurance Heiss will cooperate fully and Linder will explain in detail. UNQUOTE

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD.

Please deliver following message to Joseph Schwartz from H. A. Leavitt of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE WE AGREE WE SHOULD HAVE CONSULTED YOU CONCERNING CONSISTOIRE GRANT HOWEVER OVERNIGHT ATTRIBUTABLE PARTIALLY TO FACT THAT FUNDS IN NATURE OF LOAN OF INDEFINITE MATURITY. HAVE ASSURANCE MEISS WILL COOPERATE FULLY AND LINDER WILL EXPLAIN IN DETAIL. UNQUOTE

11:45 a.m.
February 7, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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February 13, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

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"Am in full agreement with your views concerning Max Perlman. Believe amount he is asking is completely out of line with our scale and offer which Committee has made is most generous. Would definitely not go beyond that figure and Perlman should make up his mind at once since it is already more than two months that he has been on leave and we are not in a position to wait longer for a final determination of his status."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. M. A. Leavitt, Secretary,
American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee,
270 Madison Avenue,
New York 16, New York.

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war Ref 201,
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ALH-889
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Paris

Dated February 9, 1945

Rec'd 8:30 a.m., 10th

Secretary of State

Washington

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597, February 9, 2 p.m.

THIS MESSAGE IS FOR MCLEAN PRESIDENT AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE PERSONALLY FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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Private messages
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February 12, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 9, 1945:

"Please ask Chase Bank, New York, cable Credit Lyonnais Agency AG 2 Avenue de Messine, Paris, that any two of following signatures are authorized for withdrawal: Joseph J. Schwartz, Arthur Greenleigh, Jules Jeffroykin, Maurice Brener, Gaston Kahn. Also ask Chase Bank, New York, advise Chase Bank, Paris, substitute Gaston Kahn for Laura Margolis as signature."

Very truly yours,

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Dated February 9, 1945

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Secretary of State,

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Provide message
Date

February 12, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 9, 1945:

"For all inquiries concerning location of relatives in Belgium address Association Daide aux Israilites Victimes de la Guerre, Miss Borenstein, Service de Recherches, 7 Rue Gaucheret, Brussels. This is an efficient setup which will give satisfactory service to you and to central location index. Working on setup for France and will advise you shortly, meanwhile address all inquiries to our office."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
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Secretary of State,

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February 12, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Joseph Schwartz was received through the American Embassy in Paris under date of February 9, 1945:

"Have just returned from Belgium where situation most critical especially due fact committee has received no remittance from abroad since our first $150,000 was authorized. As a result practically all relief payments were suspended during January causing hardship and suffering to thousands. In order to strengthen position of committee and to make it possible for them to try to secure local credits from banks and individuals have had to make definite commitments in writing up to end of April as follows: 9,000,000 francs for regular relief budget; 3,600,000 francs for maintenance approximately 2,500 children in private homes and institutions; 200,000 francs for maintenance home for aged and popular kitchens which giving one meal to 700 daily. Also following one time grants: for establishing and equipping children's homes for 3 to 400 children 1,500,000 francs; clothing for children 600,000 francs; special grant for passover 350,000 francs; grant for opening Talmud Torah 100,000 francs; grant for purchase of transportation for children homes 100,000 francs, total through April 15,450,000 francs or approximately $362,000. If we allow $50,000 a month from January through April plus the $200,000 which we voted as one time grant, we are well within our budget and have some $40,000 left for additional grants which will be necessary to establish homes for at least 300 children more than already have been provided for. In addition to above would recommend urgently that reconstruction committee grant 4 to 5,000,000 francs for establishment of constructive loan organization similar to the one planned for France. Consider this most important and project has full support Van Zeeland and Captain Edward Warburg with whom discussed matter. Have also arranged with SHAEF for permission Laura Margolis come to Brussels as our permanent representative and her entry will be expedited as soon as she arrives in Paris which we hope will not be long delayed. For period after April believe that 50,000 a month will be most inadequate to cover needs Belgian community which now consists approximately 20,000 souls, of whom no less than 7,000 require assistance and which must provide also for needs of well over 3,000 children. Furthermore in this population are included approximately 5,000 refugees from Germany and Austria who don't have a right to work and many of whom require assistance. Believe minimum requirements 5,000,000 Belgian francs monthly and will

try receive contribution towards this budget from Intergovernmental Committee and other sources keeping you advised. Committee has never been fully reorganized and is working effectively despite all its financial difficulties. Following is composition new committee: Alfred Goldschmidt, leading Belgian industrialist and person of high standing in the country, president, Professor Perelman, Professor Allard, Mademoiselle Nevejan, Monsieur Pels, Monsieur Derdman, Paul Philippson and Israel Kubowitzky. Committee is called Association Diade aux Israelites Victimes de la Guerre, 7 Rue Gaucheret, Brussels. Have also visited Holland and spoken with authorities there as well as with Jewish coordinating committee recently organized. Number of Jews in liberated Holland estimated variously between 1200 and 2000 and number in occupied Holland between 8 and 10,000. Dutch Government at present time providing relief to entire population on equal basis and does not wish private agencies to supplement time being except with commodities which difficult obtain. Committee requires small budget of approximately $2,000 monthly for organizational work but will require much larger sums in future since it is estimated that there are approximately 2,500 children, mostly parentless, scattered throughout country and living in non-Jewish institutions and homes. Believe it will be possible for Laura Margolis to handle both Belgium and Holland from Brussels since military authorities have indicated they will facilitate her movements. Brussels committee has borrowed from banks full amount $150,000 which was authorized in October and view urgent need funds current operations would ask you remit earliest moment and if this not possible to arrange additional deposit with Belgian Embassy, Washington, as well as with Chase Bank, in accordance with our previous cable. Please advise."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

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New York 16, New York.

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Paris

Dated February 9, 1945

Rec'd 8:55 a.m. 10th,,

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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Private Messages
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February 12, 1945

ear Mr. Leavitt.

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"Your 5. Naturally we anxious follow wishes reconstruction committee in setting up new credit cooperative but under existing conditions and view legal difficulties this may not be feasible in every respect. Expect to discuss matters thoroughly with Guy de Rothschild who will, we hope, elaborate on your cable. Meanwhile consider it most important Noel Aronovici proceed at least to London where he may be available for consultation regarding cooperative loan Kassas and related matters necessity for which becomes more obvious daily. Our present staff lacks technical knowledge this field and would benefit greatly from expert guidance. Please advise soonest."

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel

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Paris

Dated February 9, 1945

Rec'd 8:30 a.m. 10th

Secretary of State,

Washington.

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February 10, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

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"View urgent need funds Belgium and present difficulties transfer would suggest you apply immediately Treasury license deposit Chase Bank New York equivalent five million Belgian francs disposal Banque des Reports et Depots eleven Rue des Colonnes Brussels. Chase Bank should notify Banque des Reports et Depots by cable that dollars have been deposited whereupon they will make available to our committee Brussels up to five million Belgian francs. Suggest you also notify Alfred Goldschmidt president association Daide aux Israelites Victimes de la Guerre, seven Rue Raucheret Brussels that deposit has been made. Please advise urgently."

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Florence Hodel

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Dated February 8, 1945

Rec'd 8:17 a.m., 9th.

Secretary of State

Washington

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FOR MOSES LEAVITT AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FROM JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.

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February 8, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 6, 1945:

"159. Jackson, Bucharest, cabled: 'Yugoslav Minister here agrees entry Yugoslavia seven refugee physicians from Czernowitz, all of whom returned from Transnistria unable earn living here. Above group all have received information from a well informed source will take over Jewish hospital Belgrade which without doctors and inadequately equipped. When reorganized hospital will contain hundred beds for needs not only Jewish population but Yugoslav Army needs. Since no medical supplies or instruments procurable Yugoslavia material will have to be purchased here. Seven doctors will also need personal equipment, also maintenance in Belgrade at least eight months. Estimated amount required $20,000, including purchase equipment. This offers opportunity for rehabilitating seven physicians also gesture gratitude to Yugoslav Government for helpful attitude toward Jewishpopulation during Nazi occupation and after liberation.'

"Advised Schwartz."

Very truly yours,

(s) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
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Dated February 6, 1945

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262, February 6, 2 p.m.

WRB 303, JDC 159, FOR LEAVITT FROM HAROLD TROBE

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Advised Schwartz.

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February 8, 1945

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

The following message for you from Harold Trobe was received through the American Legation in Lisbon under date of February 6, 1945:

"JDC 160. Daly Mayer made following expenditures all figures Swiss francs thousands: Intercross 2500 OSE 500 Hechaluz 254."

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director

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Lisbon

Dated February 6, 1945

Rec'd 8:40 a.m. 7th.

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Secretary of State,

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261, February 6, 2 p.m.

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February 8, 1945
10 p.m.

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PARIS

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The cable below is through War Refugee Board.

Please deliver paraphrase of the following message to Joseph Schwartz, Paris, from M. A. Leavitt, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE Personal for Joseph Schwartz. Max Perlman requesting $8500 as condition his returning overseas duty. Organization Committee prepared approve $7,000 but anxious have your views. Definite feeling here we cannot meet his request. Glad have your cable regarding expenditures for account Intergovernmental Committee and we preparing request to Sir Herbert for reimbursement. UNQUOTE

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For security reasons the text of this message must be closely guarded.

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date SEP 11 1972

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CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Please deliver the following message to Joseph Schwartz, Paris, from

M. A. Leavitt, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee:

QUOTE PERSONAL FOR JOSEPH SCHWARTZ STOP MAX PERLMAN REQUESTING $8500 AS CONDITION HIS RETURNING OVERSEAS DUTY STOP ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE PREPARED APPROVE $7,000 BUT ANXIOUS HAVE YOUR VIEWS STOP DEFINITE FEELING HERE WE CANNOT MEET HIS REQUEST STOP GLAD HAVE YOUR CABLE REGARDING EXPENDITURES FOR ACCOUNT INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE AND WE PREPARING REQUEST TO SIR HERBERT FOR REIMBURSEMENT UNQUOTE

4:00 p.m.
January 31, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y) Ackermann, Akzin, Cohn, Drury, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files

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