Requests for Special Aid: Ettlinger, Jacob
No. 5018

Subject: Transmitting/Copy of letter from Jacob Ettlinger Concerning Relatives in German Concentration Camps.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith for such action as the Department deems appropriate copy of a letter of February 1, 1945 addressed by Jacob ETTINGER of Stockholm to the Department of State, submitting three lists of close relatives and friends who are now said to be interned in German concentration camps.

Mr. Ettlinger, who is a Swedish national, is managing director of the Swedish firm, AB. Metall- & Bergprodukter, Stockholm, medium-sized importers and exporters of ore, ferro-alloys, metals, metal scrap, chemicals, woodpulp, etc. Mr. Ettlinger in calling at the Legation expressed an interest in having his relatives and friends included in an exchange of persons between Germany and the United States. After a careful statement by a member of the Legation staff of the difficulties in the matter, Mr. Ettlinger nevertheless requested the Legation to transmit to the Department the enclosed material.

Respectfully yours,

Herschel V. Johnson.

Enclosure:
Copy of letter of February 1, 1945 and three lists enclosed therewith.

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In duplicate to the Department.
Enclosure to Despatch No. 5018 of February 6, 1945
From the American Legation in Stockholm.

Copy

JACOB ETTLINGER,
STOCKHOLM, 16.

February 1, 1945.

State Department,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

With reference to the conversation which I had with the Secretary of your Embassy at Stockholm, Mr. Cabot Coville, I hereby take the liberty of approaching you in the following matter, and I beg to thank you in advance for all you may do in order to help me in the interests of my near relatives and many friends of mine, who had the misfortune to come to a concentration camp at Bergen-Belsen in the vicinity of Hanover.

I am aware of the fact that about one hundred of these unfortunate people have been exchanged through the good offices of the State Secretary against German citizens. I have been informed that the persons mentioned have already arrived in Switzerland for transportation to Philippeville.

The object of this letter is now to ask for your help so that also the other unfortunate inhabitants of the Bergen-Belsen camp might be released in the same way. My personal interest embodies in the first line my brother-in-law, Mr. Hermann Isrieel Diefenbronner, and his wife my sister, Mrs. Elsa Diefenbronner, born Ettlinger, Bergen-Belsen, Baracke 11 E. The names of my other friends are to be found on the list enclosed. I am willing to reimburse the expenses which you have in connection with this transaction, and I want again to extend to you my thanks for your kindness.

I am taking the liberty to appeal to you, because everybody appreciates greatly the work which you have performed for the help of the suffering humanity.

Do you think that something could be done as well for the Jewish persons who have been forced to stay in the camp of Theresienstadt in Bohemia-Moravia and Ravensbruck (Germany), on whom you will also find a list enclosed.

Awaiting to hear from you,

I remain, Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully

Jacob Ettlinger.
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Camp Bergen-Belsen near Celle (Hannover)

Hermann Israel Diefenbronner               Barrack 11 E
Zisa Diefenbronner, born Ettlinger

Maler Ettlinger, Block 13

Joseph Bamberger, Barrack 11 B

Greta Bamberger, born Prinz, Barrack 21

Paul Mokrauer                                  Block 13

Martha Mokrauer, born Oppenheim

Sigismund Mokrauer

Arnold Wreschner                                Block 25

Alice Helene Wreschner, born Ettinghausen

Steffen Wolfgang Wreschner

Robert Emanuel Wreschner

Ida Lucienne Wreschner

Anton Rehbock                                     Block 28

Johanna Rehbock, born Buchen

Rolf Eliel

Ida Eliel, born Rehbock

Betty Pakter-Wormser, Block 25

Ada Betty Ichenhauer, Block 13

Mirjam Cohen Bendiks-Jacobson, Barrack 26
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Camp Theresienstadt
(Protectorate of Bohemia-Moravia)

Elias Ichenhauser  }  Langestrasse 244/3
Rahel Ichenhauser   }
Paul Friedmann, Hauptstrasse 145
Chief Rabbi Dr. Max Friediger, Seestrasse 28
Arthur Friediger, Seestrasse 28
Irma Hendel, born Dubsky, Rathausgasse 4/16
Betty Metz, Hauptstrasse 21
Gerda Cohn, Hauptstrasse 21
Franz Fischhof, Bahnhofstrasse 27
Siegfried Grunebaum, exact address unknown
(born October 2, 1887 at Bergen near Frankfurt a/M)
Abraham Morgolinsky, Langestrasse 023/6
Moritz Oppenheim, Berggasse 4
Ernst August Gottschalk, Badhausgasse 11 b
Bernhard Hirschi, Rathausgasse 11
Julius Moritz, Seestrasse 22-19 a
Enclosure to Despatch No. 5010 of February 6, 1945 from the American Legation in Stockholm.

Women Concentration Camp at
Ravensbrück near Fürstenberg (Mecklenburg)

Friedricke Wreschner, born Klaber
Charlotte Sidonie Wreschner
Margrit Mirjam Wreschner

Block 27