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July 5, 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. J. W. Pehle FROM: Mr. A. A. Berle, Jr.

With reference to your memorandum of June 30, 1944, enclosing a copy of a cable from Mr. Chaim Schein of Tel Aviv, I attach hereto a copy of an instruction which is being sent to the officer in charge of the American Consulate General at Jerusalem, Palestine, concerning Mr. Schein's desire to have his relatives included in an exchange arranged between the United States and German Governments.

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Enclosure:

To American Consulate General, Jerusalem.

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To the

American Consular Officer in charge,

Jerusalem, Palestine.

The Secretary of State encloses a copy of a telegram received by the War Refugee Board from Mr. Chaim Schein, 31 Maze Street, Tel Aviv, concerning the inclusion of his relatives in a future exchange arranged between the United States and German Governments.

The consular officer in charge is requested to acknowledge receipt of the telegram by the War Refugee Board and to inform Mr. Schein in the following sense:

While the United States Government is continuing to exert every possible effort to save as many of the victims of German persecution as it can, this Government has not yet undertaken to make up lists of persons to be included in the exchanges, but has endeavored to create a situation in which all persecuted persons would be saved from enemy action threatening their lives. The German Government has not reached the point where it permits this Government to submit lists of people we wish to assist in leaving enemy-held areas; instead, it has tendered to this Government lists of releasable persons within recognized categories in return for similar lists of Germans in the United States submitted by this Government.

The appropriate authorities in the United States suggest that Mr. Schein may wish to furnish full information regarding his relatives to an appropriate philanthropic organization in this country in order that the organization concerned might readily be able to furnish such information if and when the United States Government finds it possible to use it in connection with an exchange arranged with the German Government.

Enclosure:

Telegram from Mr. Schein, June 14, 1944.

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**T**0: Mr. Berle

FROM: J. W. Pehle

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