

SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION, INC.

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Dear Mr. Lentugov:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 24, 1945, concerning the difficulties being encountered in connection with the transmission of communications to and from your sister organization in Stockholm.

It is regretted that the Board is not in a position to be of assistance to you with this problem because of the limited types of communications which it may facilitate for private groups. It is my understanding that arrangements for the use of pouch mail facilities must be made with the Department of State, and I suggest that you take the question up with that department.

Very truly yours,

Signed Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel  
Acting Executive Director

Mr. Nicholas Lentugov,  
Associate Executive Director,  
Save the Children Federation,  
One Madison Avenue,  
New York 10, New York.

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Miss Florence Model,  
Acting Executive Director,  
War Refugee Board,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Miss Model:

This is to thank you for forwarding to us a report from our sister organization in Stockholm which you have received through the United States Legation in Sweden.

I take this opportunity to ask whether it will be possible for us to use, from time to time, your facilities of communication with Stockholm. Our present correspondence by airmail is very irregular and takes a long time. I hope that you have the means of corresponding more effectively, and if you could help us to communicate with our sister organization in Stockholm, we would be most grateful.

Very sincerely yours,

*N. Lemtugov*  
Nicholas Lemtugov,  
Associate Executive Director.

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The child must be given the means requisite for its normal development both materially and spiritually.—Declaration of Geneva.

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MAY 18 1945

Dear Mr. Lentugov:

The enclosed documents were received for you through  
the United States Legation in Stockholm.

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel  
Acting Executive Director

Mr. Nicholas Lentugov,  
Save the Children Federation,  
One Madison Avenue,  
New York, New York.

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April 30, 1945

Brigadier General William O'Dwyer  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General O'Dwyer:

The local Save the Children have requested that the attached envelope be delivered to Save The Children Federation, New York. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Iver C. Olsen  
Special Attaché for  
War Refugee Board.

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DEC 20 1944

Dear Mr. Voris:

I have your letter of December 7, 1944, requesting that you be permitted to use the facilities of the War Refugee Board to communicate with affiliates of your organization in Sweden and Switzerland.

In order that the Board's facilities may be available for the transmission of material which concerns the rescue and relief of persons in enemy territory, we have found it necessary to ask private organizations to cooperate by using regular communication channels wherever possible. Accordingly, and inasmuch as there are now improved mail services to and from Sweden and Switzerland, I suggest that your communications be sent through regular channels unless they relate to rescue and relief operations in enemy-controlled areas.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Mr. John R. Voris,  
President,  
Save the Children Federation,  
One Madison Avenue,  
New York 10, New York.

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Mr. J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

Permit me to thank you for the valuable co-operation which has been extended by your office facilitating the Swedish Save the Children organization, Radda Barnen, to communicate with us as well as transmitting a message to us from the Save the Children International Union of Geneva.

I wonder if it would be possible for us to use your channel in our communication with these two Save the Children organizations. We would be extremely grateful if the assistance of your organization could be extended to us in this matter. We are greatly handicapped in our work by having to rely almost exclusively on cables.

With appreciation of your consideration

Sincerely yours,

*John R. Voris*  
John R. Voris  
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Dear Dr. Voris:

Enclosed herewith is some material from Foreningen Radda Barnen which was received for you through the United States Legation in Stockholm.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Dr. John Voris,  
Save the Children Federation,  
1 Madison Avenue,  
New York, New York.

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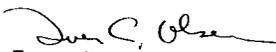
Stockholm, Sweden  
October 25, 1944

Mr. John W. Pehle  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

I am enclosing some material which Föreningen Rädde  
Barnen wishes to be delivered to Save the Children  
Federation, New York. Your assistance will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
Iver C. Olsen  
Special Attaché for  
War Refugee Board

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Mr. J. T. Fehle, Executive Director,  
War Refugee Board,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fehle:

This is to thank you for your kind communication of July 27 sending us a report from our Swedish sister organization, Radda Barnen, which you received through the American Legation in Stockholm.

This cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*N. Lemtugov*  
Nicholas Lemtugov  
Associate Executive Director,  
in charge of Overseas Operations.

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Gentlemen:

I am pleased to send to you herewith a report  
from "Radda Burnen" which was received through the American  
Legation, Stockholm.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Save the Children Federation  
1 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE  
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AMERICAN LEGATION  
Stockholm, Sweden  
July 10, 1944

Mr. John W. Pehle  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

The Swedish organization "Rädda Barnen" (Save the Children) has asked me to forward the enclosed material on their local activities to Save the Children Federation, 1 Madison Avenue, New York.

It would be appreciated if you would have the material in question forwarded, and suggest that perhaps some of it will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

*Iver C. Olsen*  
Iver C. Olsen  
Special Attaché for  
War Refugee Board

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In reply please  
refer to: 320

MAR 22 1944

Dear Mr. Payne:

Thank you for your letter of March 9, 1944, in response to my recent request for advice and suggestions to aid the War Refugee Board in planning its rescue programs.

Your interest and cooperation in the task of the Board are greatly appreciated and your views and suggestions will be given prompt and careful consideration. I shall be pleased to receive such further proposals as you may wish to submit at any time.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle  
Acting Executive Director

Mr. E. George Payne,  
Chairman, Committee on  
Overseas Program and Operations,  
Save the Children Federation,  
One Madison Avenue,  
New York 10, New York.

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March 9, 1944

Mr. J. W. Pehle  
Executive Office of the President  
War Refugee Board  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

On behalf of our Committee on Overseas Program and Operations of which I am Chairman, I wish to acknowledge your letter which was considered by our Committee at its meeting last week.

We appreciate your invitation to private agencies such as ours to give suggestions and to cooperate with your Board in its important humanitarian task to rescue as many as possible of Jewish and other persecuted minorities in Europe. We are aware of the tremendous problems confronting your Board and will be happy if we may be of service to your work.

Since its inception in 1932, the Save the Children Federation has been the American Member of the Save the Children International Union of Geneva. The Federation has been carrying on intensive war work in Great Britain and maintaining close relationship with the Save the Children International Union to which the Federation gives regular although modest financial support. Only last week the Federation sent \$500 to Geneva to be spent for Jewish and Polish refugee children.

Despite the difficulties of the war, the Save the Children International Union maintains effective relationship with its member organizations in twenty-six countries especially in Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Finland, France, Belgium, Holland and the Scandinavian countries. It is able to participate in the activities of the member organizations. It is engaged in making plans for their post-war work. The General Secretary of the Save the Children International Union has been in personal touch with many of the member organizations. In brief, the Save the Children International Union, with twenty-three years of experience in child welfare, represents an unusual channel for constructive and practical humanitarian work.

In view of our relationship with the Save the Children International Union, we feel that we could offer you our cooperation in the part of your work related to children.

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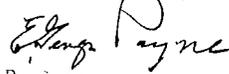
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Mr. J. W. Pehle

March 9, 1944

When representatives of the Save the Children Federation are in Washington, they will take advantage of your suggestion and will contact your office to discuss perhaps more concretely the suggestions which this letter has outlined.

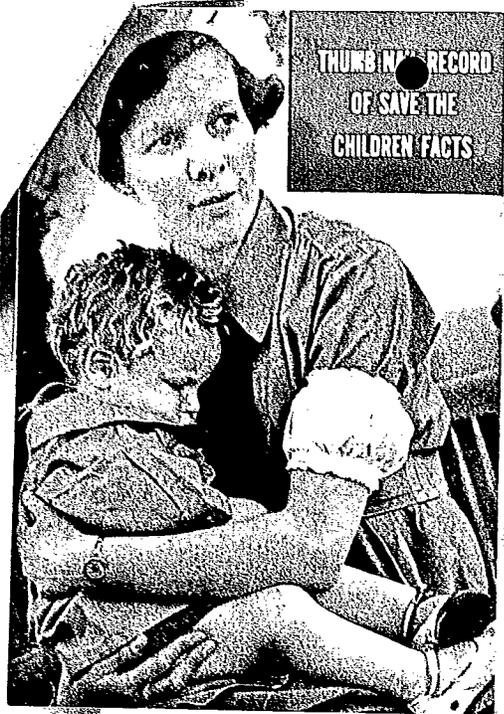
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E. George Payne  
Chairman, Committee on  
Overseas Program and Operations

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## ORGANIZATION

INCORPORATED under the laws of New York State in 1932.

- Managed by a Board of Directors and Executive Committee holding monthly meetings. There is also a corporate body meeting annually, representative of the nation.
- Continuous audit by Certified Public Accountant. Annual financial reports furnished on request.
- The general purpose of the organization is to assist in the relief and care of the health, education and social welfare of the children of the United States and other lands.

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SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION, INC.  
One Madison Avenue, New York

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THE OVERSEAS WORK OF THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION

In creating the Save the Children Federation in 1932, its founders regarded the international field of child welfare as being as essential to the original conception of the organization as is its domestic work.

Our experience has shown that there is strength in an organization which does not differentiate between child needs at home or abroad - but serves both. The Save the Children Federation has enlisted the interest and financial support of its contributing friends and local committees, in its work at home as well as overseas.

Since its inception, the Save the Children Federation has been the American member of the Save the Children International Union, an international child welfare organization founded in Geneva 22 years ago, at the time of the Armistice following the first World War.

The support of the Save the Children International Union has come from member organizations in twenty-six countries. The major assistance comes from Great Britain, - from the Save the Children Fund of London and from the United States, - the Save the Children Federation of New York.

With the beginning of the present war, the Save the Children Federation made an appeal to the American public for the war work of the Save the Children International Union. During the first months of the war and until the fall of France, the American organization was able to help Geneva substantially bringing relief to the first child victims of war in Europe.

After the fall of France and the shifting of the principal theatre of war to Great Britain, the British member of the Save the Children International Union, the Save the Children Fund of London, made an urgent plea for help to its American sister organization, - the Save the Children Federation. This assistance has been consistently given since that time.

In spite of complete respect for the judgment of the Save the Children Fund in London, all available data on every proposed project was carefully examined by the Board of the Save the Children Federation before such project was undertaken in Great Britain. The Federation keeps in close contact with the projects by receiving frequent and detailed reports on the development of the work. Thus the Federation participates in the creation of the program and, of course, by the virtue of supporting this program financially this control has all the elements of effectiveness. Study of the situation by the Executive Director in the summer of 1943 and by the Chairman of the Board of the Federation during this winter proved that this method of cooperation has been successful.

Besides general emergency relief, the work in Great Britain has been concentrated in three major projects: (a) support of residential nurseries, (b) supplemental help to individual children through the sponsorship or photo-care plan and (c) clothing assistance.

At the present time, twenty-eight nurseries are being maintained with the help of the Save the Children organization. This is the largest number of nurseries aided by any one American organization in Great Britain. They are maintained jointly by the Save the Children Federation and the British Government.

It should be especially mentioned that five of these nurseries organized by the News Chronicle group for the children of the war workers operate on "around-the-clock basis" and represent an original experiment which has proved to be very constructive and successful.

The American Save the Children Federation for the fourth year has been giving supplemental help to the children in need through the individual "adoption plan". This plan was originated in Geneva and for a number of years was successfully used in Europe by the Save

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the Children International Union. In accordance with the plan, individuals or organizations in the U.S. "adopt" child victims of war in Great Britain thus providing the "adopted" children with the help which individual cases might require. In return, the "adoptors" receive the picture and story of the child and could correspond with him, thus maintaining personal contact. At the present time, over 8,000 children are assisted through this project. These children are living either with their parents or guardians. The plan serves British children as well as refugee children sheltered in Britain. The personal contact between the sponsors in this country and their "adopted" children has been of great educational and moral value in addition to the material help.

The supervision over the selection of children is effectively exercised in England by the Save the Children Fund and organizations cooperating with the fund. On this side in the office of the Federation, a special secretary has been employed giving full time to the correspondence and relationship with the "adoptors".

Thanks to the successful developments of the Children's Clothing Crusade operating through the public school system in the U.S. the Save the Children Federation is able to ship to Great Britain some 20,000 pounds of clothing each month. This is distributed through the British Save the Children Fund which has been requested to give priority to children in nurseries and also children aided by the "adoption" plan. Besides the relief value, this clothing plan is also of definite educational value to the children on both sides of the Atlantic - those who give and those who receive. This educational element was of special importance when the project was first considered. The successful development of clothing efforts in 1943 enables the Save the Children Federation to expand considerably its clothing operations in 1944.

As the war progresses and the emergency of the work in Great Britain diminishes, the Federation's ties and potentialities in other countries grow in importance.

At the present time, the Save the Children International Union is depending almost entirely upon the help provided by the British and the American Save the Children organizations. American help has been made possible by the faithful support of individuals who continued, after the fall of France, their contributions toward this cause. Among these friends, the Mennonite Central Committee should be especially mentioned as giving regular help.

The Save the Children International Union, - this unique child welfare agency, with its international organizational ties in twenty-six countries and long years of experience, represents an invaluable channel by which help can be extended to child victims of war in a most practical way, using all local forces. Such method, besides its efficiency, will greatly contribute to the self-sufficiency and self-respect of the country helped.

Reliance wherever possible on well established and experienced local organization makes the operations less expensive, more effective and, at the same time, contributes to the harmony in international understanding.

When necessary, the Federation will be ready to send overseas a general supervisor and liaison officer and a limited number of specialists for the administration of particular programs in given areas. These administrators, wherever possible, will work through the groups connected with the Save the Children International Union using as a general rule all available local leadership.

Speaking of the special position of the Geneva organization, it should be mentioned that the Secretary General of the Union, early in 1943, was invited by the Papal Secretary of State to visit the Vatican to discuss child problems with Vatican authorities. Recently the Secretary General spent six weeks in Stockholm working out with the Swedish Save the Children organization plans for child rehabilitation work as soon as conditions permit.

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It is significant that, despite the war, the Save the Children International Union is in contact and effective cooperation with its affiliate members in most European countries especially with Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Finland, France, Belgium, Holland and Scandinavian countries. It is able to participate in the activities of the member organizations. It is engaged in making plans for their post-war work.

In view of the isolated location of Geneva, communication with which has been maintained by cable only, it was decided to organize in Great Britain and in the United States War Emergency Section of the Union which would represent the interests of the Union during the war. Such a Section was organized in Britain and also recently in the United States. The group is very representative and includes persons who are familiar with various aspects of relief problems and who are deeply interested in child rehabilitation work.

The Federation for the time being will be the principal operating agency for the Section both in securing the funds and in the activities overseas. It is planned and hoped, however, that other organizations, with general relief program, may wish to correlate the part of their work on behalf of children with that of the Section and, through it, with the Save the Children International Union.

The Executive Secretary of the British War Emergency Section of the Save the Children International Union, Mrs. J. M. Small, has recently arrived at Cairo from London, being accredited by the Save the Children International Union, the Save the Children Fund of London and the Save the Children Federation to represent them officially in the E.R.A. She has started the organization of child welfare centers for refugee children. The activities of Mrs. Small and her official relation to the E.R.A. on behalf of the Save the Children organization is significant.

It should be added that the Board of Directors of Save the Children Federation is composed largely of executives in the professional fields of church and education, several of whom are specialists in international work and all of whom are deeply conscious of social problems.

The Administrative Staff of the Federation includes several who are familiar with international relief. The Executive Director was connected for nearly a decade with Near East Relief, giving much of his time to its overseas social and educational program. Mr. Nicholas Lemtugov, Director of Department of Overseas work, was the representative of the Hansen High Commission of the League of Nations in Istanbul (then Constantinople) which handled, for a number of years, the program of refugees. Mr. Henry Israel, Director of Welfare Work, was the Associate Director of the Y.M.C.A. Prisoners of War and Student Relief Work. Mr. John Mace, Director of Production, was the field Director of Near East Relief and Mr. William G. Schram, Controller of the Federation, was Controller of the Y.M.C.A. Overseas Work carried in thirty foreign countries.

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