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THE UNITED HUNGARIAN JEWS OF AMERICA, INC.

SAMUEL B. OHLBAUM  
PRESIDENT

165 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK 6, N. Y.  
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July 6th, 1945.

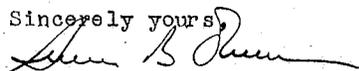
Miss Florence Hodel,  
War Refugee Board,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Miss Hodel:

Thank you so much for your letter of June 30th, 1945. It was delayed in transit by reason of the fact that you had addressed it to 184 Broadway instead of 1834 Broadway.

I have followed your suggestion and have written to Mr. Warren of the State Department asking for an appointment. I would want very much to go in to see you when I am in Washington but, as I recall it, you told me that you would be away next week on vacation. I shall, however, take advantage of your kind offer at some future time and consult you again.

Sincerely yours,

  
SAMUEL B. OHLBAUM,  
President.

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WAR REFUGEE BOARD

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SAMUEL B OHLBAUM

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Dear Mr. Ohlbaum:

General O'Dwyer has asked me to look into the problems you presented to him in your letter of June 27, 1945, with respect to relief and rehabilitation for the Jews of Hungary.

As to your first question, I have checked with the interested government agencies and find that at the moment it is impossible to ship any quantity of clothing to Hungary either directly or through other countries. In connection with this problem, I suggest that you keep in close touch with Mr. James Brunot of the President's War Relief Control Committee, who has indicated that he will be pleased to discuss the matter with you and keep you currently advised of any changes in the situation.

With respect to your second question, I wish to advise you that at the moment there is no direct method for the remittance of money to Hungary. However, the Treasury Department has indicated that it is willing to consider applications to remit funds to Hungary either through banking facilities in Switzerland or through the facilities of the Department of State. Permission to use the facilities of the Department of State must be arranged for through Mr. Kenneth G. Krentz, Assistant Chief of the Division of Foreign Service Administration.

In answer to your third question, I am advised by the Department of State that it is willing to send through its channels a message from you to the United States Minister in Hungary. The Department of State has no information concerning the "Hungary Jewish Representative Committee" which you mentioned. I have been further advised that it is impossible for any private organization or citizen to communicate directly with Colonel Townsend.

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I feel that you would be best assisted in your problem to get aid to the Jews of Hungary if you would arrange to discuss the matter with the Department of State. Mr. George Warren, Advisor on Refugees to the Secretary of State, would be willing to talk with you at some length concerning your problem. He expects to receive a detailed report from the United States Minister in Budapest very shortly which will have the latest information concerning the conditions and needs of the Jews in Hungary.

If there is any further service I can do for you in this matter, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

Florence Hodel  
Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Samuel B. Ohlbaum, President,  
The United Hungarian Jews of America, Inc.,  
184 Broadway,  
New York, New York.

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# The United Hungarian Jews of America, Inc.

Az Egyesült Amerikai Magyar Zsidók Szövetsége



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June 27th, 1945.

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

Dear General O'Dwyer:

Thank you for the courtesy which you extended to a special committee of our organization that met with you this morning at your office. In line with the conference held, may I impose upon you to furnish us with the best available information which you may have concerning several matters that are imminently of great import to the purposes of our organization. As you know, our objective has been and will continue to be to bring all possible aid for relief and rehabilitation, as well as projects of reconstruction, to the Jews of Hungary. In order that we may implement the resolutions heretofore adopted by our convention and to carry out the intentions of the twenty-six substantial organizations composing The United Hungarian Jews of America, Inc., we desire to know the following:

1. What direct means could be made available to us to transport a large quantity of clothing for distribution among the Jews of Hungary? If this cannot be done directly, may it be effected through Switzerland, Rumania or any other country?
2. What means could be made available to us to send sums of money directly to a responsible committee or group, recognized as such, functioning in the Jewish community in Hungary?
3. Is it possible for us to make direct contact with the United States Minister to Hungary through the channels of the State Department and is it possible further to make contact, either through the Minister or otherwise, with the Hungarian Jewish Representative Committee now believed to

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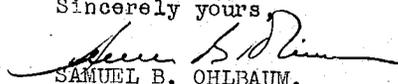
be acting in Hungary and recognized or acknowledged as an official group by the Soviet Government?

Incidentally, I noticed in this morning's Times that Colonel Dallas Townsend, the acting United States Commanding Officer in Budapest, "has been busy tracing Hungarians for relatives in the United States." May it not be possible for us to make contact with Colonel Townsend or any other appropriate official connected with the United States Control Commission for the purpose of lending our aid in such endeavors as are being made to locate and assist the relatives of American citizens in Hungary.

I am sure that the burden which I am asking you to assume in giving your attention to the matters herein mentioned will be accepted by you in your usual conscientious and humanitarian spirit.

Assuring you in advance of the gratefulness of the many thousands of American Jews of Hungarian origin whom this organization represents, I am,

Sincerely yours,

  
SAMUEL B. OHLBAUM,  
President.

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General William O'Dwyer,  
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War Refugee Board,  
Treasury Building,

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July 29, 1944.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of July 27, 1944, requesting an appointment to discuss the possibilities for aiding the emigration of Hungarian Jews.

Mr. Pehle, Executive Director of the War Refugee Board, is out of the city for a week or two. However, should you desire to come to Washington to discuss the matter during his absence we shall be glad to see you at your convenience. It is quite possible that one of the Assistant Executive Directors of the Board will be in New York within the next ten days and he will call on you if you so desire. If you decide to come to Washington, please call my office for a definite appointment upon your arrival. My telephone number is Executive 6400, Extension 5371.

Very truly yours,

*(s) J. B. Friedman*

J. B. Friedman  
Acting Executive Director.

Lewis Hernan, Esq.,  
11 West 42nd Street,  
New York 18, New York.

cc: Messrs. Abrahamson and Lesser

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LEWIS HERMAN  
COUNSELOR AT LAW  
11 WEST 42ND STREET  
NEW YORK 18, N. Y.  
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July 27th, 1944

Hon John W. Pehle  
U.S. Treasury Dept.  
War Refugee Board  
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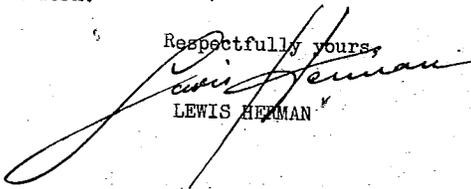
Dear Sir:

I have noted your appointment as head of the President's War Refugee Board and I, as representative of The United Hungarian Jews of America, Inc., take this opportunity of writing these few lines to you.

Our organization has funds for the purpose of aiding the emigration of some Hungarian Jews to a place of safety. We are particularly hopeful that some Hungarian Jews may be included among those that may be set up in the free port that President Roosevelt has mentioned in one of his speeches.

Your name has been given to me as the official in charge of these matters and with whom we could discuss the problems we are interested in. Kindly indicate when and where I may call upon you in order to discuss with you the ways and means our organization could help by effort and by funds in this this great humanitarian work.

Respectfully yours,

  
LEWIS HERMAN

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**New York Council  
of Hungarian Americans  
for Victory**

344 East 69th Street  
New York  
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## Why Do We Need Victory Councils?

BECAUSE Americans of Hungarian descent need a central organization through which they can make their contributions to numerous civilian war efforts. Frequently, war work organizations have to get in touch with Americans of Hungarian descent. Where can they find them? They cannot contact all the churches, all the societies, all the newspapers of Americans of Hungarian origin. They must act through coordinating societies, because such action does not entail any loss of time or effort. The necessity of "nationality groups" has been recognized by such important organizations as the Treasury's War Savings Staff, the USO, the blood-donor movement, the Russian War Relief, all of which work with the assistance of such groups.

BECAUSE the Victory Councils are particularly well equipped to finance the numerous activities in which they engage. Since the work is voluntary, not much money is needed for Council expenses, except for stationery, postage, rallies and occasional radio broadcasts. Supposing there is no such central organization as the Victory Council. What happens then? In that case new committees must be set up all the time and that involves organization expenses in each case. But if there is a Victory Council the situation is entirely different. Then resources can be pooled and a separate financial division may be set up, entrusted with the task of looking after the troublesome problem of providing money for expenses, while all the other divisions may continue to devote all their time and energy to the purely war activities.

BECAUSE the Victory Council makes the best possible use of the time of all of its workers. Most of the campaigns are seasonal; only a few

of them are continuous. Although war bond sales should be continuous, experience shows that new impetus is imparted to the selling campaign by an occasional patriotic rally. Even in the blood-donor campaign best results can be obtained by concentrating on certain days on which Americans of Hungarian descent make their blood contributions as a separate group. Now, if all committee heads belong to a Victory Council, meeting regularly, they can help one another in their "slack seasons," so that all participate in the fight on the home front all the year 'round.

BECAUSE members of the Victory Council gain valuable experience by exchanging information. Mistakes of the past are avoided, and each task is laid in willing as well as experienced hands.

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The Victory Council lays the stress on the fact that many of us are or will be fathers and mothers of children whose happiness and freedom depend on the victory of the Stars and Stripes. Many of us are fathers and mothers of boys fighting under our American flag at Guadalcanal, in Africa, and other parts of the globe. Heretofore, the emphasis of our organizations in the United States was on the fact that we were the sons and daughters of parents born in Hungary. It is evident that we want to prepare for the future rather than dwell upon the past.

The success of our Victory Council in New York was due to all these factors. It has organized Americans of Hungarian descent in New York City for a large variety of civilian war work. It is the members of our Council who have helped it to earn the praise of many

representative Americans in high positions. Here are the comments of a few of them on our blood donations campaign.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, wired: "Hungarians have thus demonstrated loyalty to the country of their adoption in more than empty words."

Attorney General Francis Biddle wrote in part:

"It is with interest and profound admiration that I note the generous contribution of the Hungarian section of the Legion of Volunteer Blood Donors."

Former Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York wired:

"May I ask you to convey my appreciation and good wishes to all those who are participating in this splendid and necessary undertaking."

Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia of New York City wrote:

"My warmest praise to the Hungarian volunteer blood donors for National Defense. . . . Your choice of July 4th for rendering this service is indeed a happy one for there is no greater way to prove that you are true liberty-loving men and women than by giving your life's blood for the principle of freedom which you hold dear."

Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntyre wrote:

"Will you be good enough to express to the Hungarian section of Volunteer Blood Donors for National Defense the sincere thanks of the Navy Department for donating the blood for the saving of lives of men in our army and navy. Not only is it a splendid gesture to choose July 4th for their donation but it shows a spirit of patriotism that all Americans can well afford to follow."

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#### Officers, Divisions and Division Chairmen of the New York Council of Hungarian Americans for Victory

The chairman of the Council is Louis Toth,  
certified public accountant, member of the firm  
of Horwath & Horwath, member of the faculty  
of Cornell University, and chairman of the  
board of trustees of the First Hungarian Re-  
formed Church of New York. The chairman  
presides at Council meetings, represents the  
Council at meetings and conferences and co-  
ordinates the plans and activities of the various  
divisions.

The secretary of the Council is Lewis  
Herman, attorney at law, who has been very  
active and very successful in arranging Hun-  
garian programs on the radio station operated  
by New York City. Mr. Herman works with  
Emery Komlos, assistant secretary of the Coun-  
cil, who is also chairman of the Civilian De-  
fense Division.

Ernest B. Horwath, senior partner of Hor-  
wath & Horwath, nationally known firm of  
public accountants, is chairman of the Advisory  
Board. Members of this Board are prominent  
Americans of Hungarian descent who can not  
devote much time to the civilian war effort but  
who can assist the Council in other ways.

The Council has the following organized  
divisions:

**WAR BONDS DIVISION.** Chairman:  
Mrs. Albert Philip. This division began its activi-  
ties with the sale of war bonds and stamps at  
our patriotic rally on October 11, 1942. Mrs.  
Philip is a senior staff officer of the American  
Women's Voluntary Services and she had long  
before been engaged in selling war bonds. The  
group of women under her leadership sold  
nearly five million dollars worth of bonds in  
1942.

**USO AND BLOOD DONORS DIVIS-  
IONS.** Chairman: Dr. Geza Takaro, pastor of

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the First Magyar Reformed Church of New York, and Vice-President of the Magyar Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. In 1942 our USO Division has turned over more than \$2,500.00 to USO headquarters. Our division for blood donations is among the first on the list of the nationality groups. In 1942 we have given more than 1,000 pints of blood to the Red Cross for the armed services.

**ALLIED NATIONS' RELIEF FUNDS DIVISION.** Chairman: Erno Rapee, music director of Radio City Music Hall. This Division has been particularly active on behalf of the Russian War Relief Fund. A dinner arranged by it for that fund resulted in the collection of nearly \$2,000.00.

**WAR REFUGEES DIVISION.** Chairman: Ferenc Gondor, editor and publisher of Az Ember, a liberal Hungarian weekly. This Division has an office at 507 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and is instrumental in helping Hungarian refugees here and abroad.

**CIVILIAN DEFENSE DIVISION.** Chairman: Emery Komlos, Secretary of the Hungarian Section of the International Workers' Order. The Division is soliciting volunteers for all types of civilian defense jobs.

**SALVAGE DIVISION.** Chairman: Dr. Eugene A. Hegy, zone director of the Yorkville Defense Council and member of the staff of the salvage division of the War Production Board in New York. Some of Dr. Hegy's plans for salvaging metal were adopted by WPB and were mentioned in the Congress.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS DIVISION.** Chairman: T. G. Kemeny-Harding, President of the Harding Impex Co., Inc., New York, and Vice-Chairman of the First Magyar Reformed Church, New York. This division makes all arrangements for public meetings and rallies of the Council. It communicates with other committees in the United States to establish similar

organizations for the promotion of the war effort. In cooperation with the chairmen of all divisions, it manages all temporary campaigns. The 1943 Victory Book Campaign and the March of Dimes campaign to combat infantile paralysis are conducted through this Division.

**PRESS DIVISION.** Chairman: Dr. Emil Lengyel, lecturer on education, School of Education, New York University. This division looks after the publicity of the Council, makes arrangements for radio broadcasts, writes scenarios.

**FINANCE DIVISION.** Chairman: John H. Sherry, member of the firm of Sherry and Picarello, attorneys at law, member of the faculty of Cornell University. This division is in charge of the financial affairs of the Council. Members pay no fees; all contributions are voluntary.

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Our Council has done remarkable work in uniting Americans of Hungarian descent on the home front.

We call on all Americans of Hungarian descent, irrespective of their creeds or political affiliations, to join the Victory Council. We cannot afford to squander our energies or to put our personal interests ahead of the interests of our country engaged in a momentous struggle for the survival of those great institutions to which we have fallen heir.

Our supreme desire is to be able to look our friends and neighbors, our soldiers and sailors in the eye and tell them with a clear conscience that we are doing our share and have been doing our share right along.

Let all of us, in every community of our country, form committees, designated as Victory Councils, so that there may be no doubt about their patriotic aims.

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*Chairman of the Council*  
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LEWIS HERMAN, 217 Broadway,  
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*Office of War Refugees Division*  
AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR HUNGARIAN WAR  
REFUGEES,  
507 Fifth Avenue,  
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JUL 11 1944

Dear Mr. Luftman:

This is in reply to your telegram dated July 7. Since it was not delivered until 6:45 p.m. on July 10, and since the rally of your organization was scheduled for July 9, it was, of course, impossible for me to send a message to you on the occasion of the rally.

I wish to assure you that I share your deep apprehension and horror for the inhuman and bestial treatment that has been imposed upon the Jews of Hungary. The War Refugee Board is urgently concerned with the situation and is taking every practicable step in its effort to bring relief and rescue to the Jews of Hungary. I wish further to assure you that the Board will continue unrelentingly in its efforts in this direction.

If, as a result of the discussions at your rally, there develop any specific suggestions, I would appreciate your sending them to me.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Peble

J. W. Peble  
Executive Director

Mr. Mitchell Luftman,  
Chairman, Rescue Committee,  
The United Hungarian Jews of America,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York City.

*Original signed by  
Mr. Peble*

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WAR REFUGEE BOARD 8804 GARFIELD  
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WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 5TH, 1944, YOUR NO 889, THE UNITED HUNGARIAN JEWS OF AMERICA OF, WHOSE RESCUE COMMITTEE I AM CHAIRMAN WISH TO EXPRESS DEEP APPREHENSION AND HORROR ON ACCOUNT OF THE INHUMAN AND BESTIAL CONDUCT OF THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT TOWARD THE JEWS OF HUNGARY. I WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION SO THAT MY COMMITTEE MAY CONSIDER THE ENTIRE MATTER IMMEDIATELY AS TO WHAT PRACTICAL STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN OR CONTEMPLATED BY YOUR BOARD TO ALLEVIATE OR SUPPRESS IF POSSIBLE, THIS TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE. I RESPECTFULLY REFER YOU TO THE ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE NEW YORK TIMES OF JULY 6, 1944, PAGE 6, ENTITLED "HUNGARY DEPORTS JEWS, NEDEN SAYS."

AS AN IMPORTANT RALLY WILL BE HELD BY MY ORGANIZATION ON JULY 9TH, I SHALL WELCOME ANY MESSAGE FROM YOU FOR THAT OCCASION.

PLEASE REPLY TO UNDERSIGNED AT 1440 BROADWAY, NYC= MITCHELL LUFTMAN, CHAIRMAN.

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In reply please  
refer to: 889

Dear Mr. Luftman:

I have your letter of June 1, 1944, requesting information as to how your organization may be of assistance to the War Refugee Board in rescuing the Jews of Hungary.

Expressions of the concern of the people of the United States for the fate of the persecuted peoples, and evidence of public support for their rescue, will facilitate our efforts to obtain the humanitarian objectives for which the Board was created. I assure you that the Board is doing everything in its power to save as many of the victims of enemy oppression as is possible.

As you undoubtedly know, the Board is working in close cooperation with a number of established private organizations which are rendering a valuable service in the field of emergency aid and relief. A great many of the programs which the Board has developed include projects which are operated and financed by such agencies which receive their funds from private contributions.

Your interest in the Board's work and your desire to be of assistance are indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Pehle

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Executive Director

Mr. Mitchell Luftman,  
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*Via Special Delivery*

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June 1st, 1944

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

Dear Sir:

On May 14th, 1944, a convention was held at New York City, under the auspices of the United Hungarian Jews of America.

At that time, 25 Jewish Hungarian Societies joined this National Organization for the specific purpose of rescue work in all fields, covering financial aid, clothing and medicines with which to help and assist our unfortunate co-religionists in Hungary.

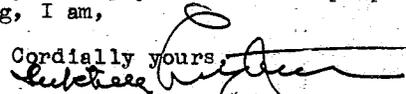
Since your organization is primarily interested in this humanitarian work, we shall be grateful if you will inform us how we may cooperate with you so that our joint efforts can be of maximum benefit to them.

Events are moving so fast, that any delay would be catastrophic, and therefore, time unquestionably is of the essence.

A meeting of this Organization attended by the delegates of the said 25 Societies will be held June 6th, 1944. As we wish to formulate definite plans at that time, we take this opportunity of requesting you to advise us as to the possibilities and details of procedure so that the matter may be fully discussed and acted upon for which I thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.

Looking forward to your reply in time to prepare the necessary data for our meeting, I am,

Cordially yours,

  
 MITCHELL LUFTMAN,  
 Chairman, Rescue Committee

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