

UNITED POLISH SOCIETIES OF THOMPSONVILLE, CONNECTICUT

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My dear Senator:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 31, 1944, and its enclosures.

Since the children referred to are in British territory, their welfare is not within the province of the War Refugee Board. If Polish organizations in this country desire to remit funds for the support of such children, they are free to do so provided they first secure such Treasury license as may be required by reason of blocked nationals having an interest in the transaction. If such Polish organizations find it necessary to raise funds in order to engage in such relief activities, the matter should be cleared with the President's War Relief Control Board.

I trust that the foregoing will suffice to answer your inquiry. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Honorable Francis Maloney,
United States Senate.

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Mr. Pehle*

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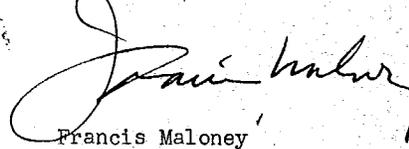
Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
 War Refugee Board
 Treasury Department
 Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Pehle:

I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter which I have addressed to Honorable Cordell Hull, The Secretary of State. Also enclosed is a copy of the letter from Reverend Paul J. Bartlewski, referred to therein, and a copy of the resolution adopted by the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, Connecticut.

This is forwarded for your information and consideration.

Sincerely yours,


 Francis Maloney

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May 31, 1944

Honorable Cordell Hull
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I send you herewith, for your information and consideration, a copy of a letter, and resolution, which I have received from Reverend Paul J. Bartlewski, Pastor, St. Adalbert's Church, Thompsonville, Connecticut. The resolution was adopted by the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, and urges immediate assistance to Polish refugee children.

I am certain that this matter will have your sympathetic attention and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Maloney

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May 27th, 1944

Honorable Francis Maloney
Senator from Connecticut
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Maloney:

I enclose herewith, for your earnest consideration, a copy of the Resolution adopted by the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, Connecticut, on the Anniversary of the Adoption of the Polish Constitution, May third, 1791.

I would appreciate any action you may deem advisable on behalf of the Polish Refugee Children, now scattered throughout the world.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

Rev. Paul J. Bartlewski
Pastor
St. Adalbert's Church
Thompsonville, Conn.

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RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the present global war has inflicted a multitude of hardships and privations upon all the peoples of the world, particularly the people of Nazi persecuted Europe, has slaughtered countless people, ruined and desolated numerous villages and towns, and left destitute hordes of small children, orphans in the world's storm; and

WHEREAS, efforts have been directed to aid and assist these persecuted peoples, but because of the war's intensity and scope, these efforts, naturally, are not as effective and as complete as conditions would permit; and

WHEREAS, Poland has become one of the first and continuous battle grounds of this intensified war, the battles surge forward across that country, leaving in their wake desolation, destruction and slaughter, driving before the countless hordes Polish people, particularly Polish orphan children who are left to the mercy of both the Russian and Nazi Governments; and

WHEREAS, those countless Polish orphans, unwanted for the most part in the famine-ridden war zones, have trekked and marched many thousands of miles from their homes, either voluntarily or by direction and edict of either of those Governments; and

WHEREAS, the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, Connecticut, have accurate and exact information from eye witnesses that there are in the cities of Bombay and Karachi, India, Thirty Thousand (30,000) or more such Polish orphan children, concentrated in those cities with little or no aid, enduring all manner of privations, hungry and starving, partially or scarcely clothed; and

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WHEREAS, the Federal Government having organized a Commission to aid and assist refugees of war torn Europe to find a haven or a harbor during the struggle, could not or does not know of the existing conditions among the above-mentioned Polish orphan children in the cities of Bombay and Karachi, nor the dangers because of their location in these famine stricken areas; and

WHEREAS, the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville believe that through the National Polish Societies of America, necessary funds could be raised whereby the children could be transported to a better locality and cared for under better conditions if the Federal Commission on Refugees became aware of the existence of these Polish orphan children; and

WHEREAS, the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, Connecticut, have information and verily believe that the National Polish Societies will cooperate to the fullest with any Agency or Agencies of the Federal Government, and render any and all assistance necessary to provide transportation for these children to a safer refuge to be cared for until the termination of the global struggle;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in public assembly convened, of the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, on the One Hundred Sixty-third Anniversary of the adoption of the Polish Constitution, that this assembly go on record favoring immediate intensified action by the United Polish Societies of America, favoring immediate assistance to be furnished Polish refugee children located at Bombay and Karachi, India, and that immediate steps be taken to acquaint the Federal Commission to

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aid refugees of war torn Europe with the plight of these children, with a view of enlisting the assistance of that commission in procuring relief and assistance for the above-mentioned orphan children, and request their transportation to safer havens where they may be properly fed and clothed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the records of the United Polish Societies of Thompsonville, Connecticut, and a copy forwarded to the United Polish Societies of America, at Chicago, Illinois, and that copies of the same be forwarded to the Honorable William E. Miller and B. J. Monkiewicz, Congressmen from Connecticut, and the Honorable John A. Danaher and Francis Maloney, Senators from Connecticut.

SIGNED:

Rev. Paul J. Bartlewski

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My dear Senator Danaher:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 30 and its enclosures which are returned herewith.

Since the children referred to are in British territory, their welfare is not within the province of the War Refugee Board. If Polish organizations in this country desire to raise funds for the support of such children, they are free to do so provided they first secure such Treasury license as may be required by reason of blocked nationals having an interest in the transaction. If such Polish organizations find it necessary to raise funds in order to engage in such relief activities, the matter should be cleared with the President's War Relief Control Board.

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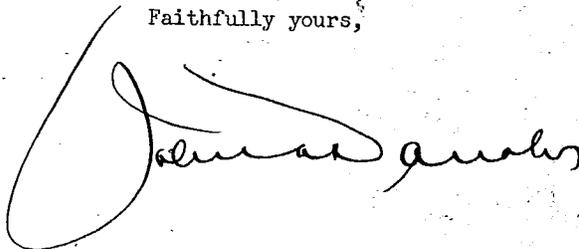
My dear Sir:

I enclose a letter, dated May 27th, from the Rev. Paul J. Bartlewski, who is Pastor, St. Adalbert's Church, Thompsonville, Connecticut. Also enclosed is a copy of a resolution adopted by the United Polish Societies of that town on the subject of Polish refugee children.

I shall appreciate receiving such advices as you deem to be appropriate in order that I might make reply.

Thank you very much for your courtesy.

Faithfully yours,



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JOHN A. DANAHER

P.S. Will you please return the enclosure to me after it has served its purpose? Thank you. JAD

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w Thompsonville, Connecticut

May 27, 1944

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Senator from Connecticut
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Danaher:

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a copy of the Resolution adopted by the United Polish Societies
of Thompsonville, Connecticut on the Anniversary of the
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on behalf of the Polish Refugee Children, now scattered throughout
the world.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Rev. Paul J. Bartlewski

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Pastor,
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SIGNED:

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