Rescues from Hungary and the Balkans (1942)
Dear Sirs:

There is forwarded to you herewith a copy of a report received through the War Refugee Board representative in Turkey of expenditures made by your Committee in Turkey for the period of October 16 to December 6, 1944.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

J. A. Peble
Executive Director

Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee,
132 Nassau Street,

Enclosure.

[Handwritten note: Filled 1/17/45]
Dear Mr. Pehla:

With our letter of November 11, we transmitted to you the accounts of the Istanbul committee of the Veaed Hahatzalah emergency Committee of New York, relating to the $25,000 which were transferred to the former by the Veaed Hahatzalah Committee, for relief purposes. These accounts covered the period from the time the transfer was received to October 16, 1944.

As your files will disclose, the Istanbul Veaed Hahatzalah committee consists of Messrs. Griffel, Kastner and Klaman. Mr. Klaman at this time is in Bucharest, and Mr. Griffel left Istanbul for Palestine on December 11. This leaves Mr. Kastner as the remaining committee member in Istanbul.

Mr. Griffel, prior to his departure, provided us with an accounting up to December 6, to cover expenditures during the period of his stewardship in Istanbul. The balance of the funds transmitted will be administered by Mr. Kastner here.

The October 16 accounting, which we sent to you, reported the withdrawal of $18,842.37 out of the $25,000 transmitted. Upon receipt of a final statement from the bank, minor adjustments disclosed, according to Mr. Griffel, that the amount withdrawn actually was $18,841.61. The balance remaining, that is, $6,158.39, according to Mr. Griffel's report was converted into T.L. 10,925.00 which are being drawn down for current requirements of the committee.

There are enclosed herein a summary statement of the committee's financial activities, excluding the $18,842.37 which has been paid for three separate vessels, as heretofore reported to you. Attached to the summary statement are individual itemizations in support of the expenditures reported. You will note that, according to the summary statement, the cash balance on hand out of the entire $25,000 is T.L. 4989.35.
If there is any further information you require regarding these statements, please advise us and we shall make further inquiry here.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Herbert Katzki

Enclosures: as described
Istanbul, December 8th 1944

American Embassy

Istanbul

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Gentlemen,

Referring to our letter of October 16th we inform you that we changed the remaining amount from £ 25,000.-- i.e. £ 6158.39 into Lrqs. 10,925.-- in order to cover our expenses here. About the expenses we did here from this amount we enclose herewith specification.

very truly yours,

[Signature]

enclosures:
Received:
We received for 5000.- £
according our letter 16.10.44
Further for 6158.39 £

Expenses:
According our letter 16.10.44
Office permanent Staff from
Oct. 1 - Nov. incl. £ 8781.06
Office Assistant Staff from
Oct. 1 - Nov. incl. 600.50
Office rent from Oct.15-Dec. 12 400.00
Porter (servant) 70.00
Stationery from 11.10. - 6.12 181.00
Telephone paid from 11.10 - 2.12 306.68
Telegram and postage from
Oct. 11 - Dec. 6 1938.64
Journeys 532.00
Emigrants account from
Nov. 8 - Dec. 6 1172.77
Divers acc. enclosed receipt 592.00

Ltgs. 8849.00
Ltgs. 10325.00
Ltgs. 19.774.00
Ltgs. 8781.06
Ltgs. 306.68
Ltgs. 1938.64
Ltgs. 532.00
Ltgs. 1172.77
Ltgs. 592.00

Ltgs. 4.989.35
Office permanent Staff

For the months October 1-st till end November incl.:

Mrs. Kanzah ........................................... Ltqs. 200.--

Miss St. Greif ........................................... 200.--

total ...... Ltqs. 400.--
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**TOTAL**       **Ltgs. 600.50**
Office Rent

From October 16th to December 12th

Litgs. 400.--

Total Litgs. 400.--
Stationery from 11.10. - 6.12.1944.

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Total Ltgs. 181.--
Telephone fees.

Paid from 11.10. - 2,12.44  Ltrs. 306.68

Total  Ltrs. 306.68

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Telegens and Port,

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From 11,10, till 6,12,44

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Ltgs. 1,938.64

Total 

Ltgs. 1,938.64

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Journeys.

Two journeys of Mr. Kastner to Ankara.

Total: 

Ltgs. 335.--
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**TOTAL** Ltq. 1772.17
D I V E R S.

Purchases by Mr. Kastner for Mr. Juhaes Ltqs. 56.---
Ship visiting 26.---
Juhaes divers 18.---
Juhaes cash 50.---
Removing 14.---
Photocopies according invoices 435.---
Total Ltqs. 599.---
Dear Mr. Katzki:

Reference is made to your letter of November 11, 1944, forwarding a report received by you from the Istanbul Committee of the Vaad Hahetzala Emergency Committee.

We are of the opinion and the Treasury Department agrees that none of the items charged against the $25,000 should be disallowed. This remittance was affected for the purpose of carrying out operations authorized by license No. M-2166, the text of which was cabled to the Embassy under date of April 8, 1944, (State's No. 311).

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

J. W. Pohle
Executive Director

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J. W. Pohle
Executive Director

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United States Embassy,
Ankara, Turkey.
Dear Mr. Pehle:

Earlier this year, the Istanbul committee (Messrs. Griffel, Kastner and Klarman) of the Vaad Hahatzalah Emergency Committee, received a transfer of funds from New York in the amount of $25,000. While we do not have the terms of the Treasury license before us, under which this transfer was made, we requested that the committee provide us with a supplementary accounting for funds expended since July of this year. In July of this year, pursuant to the Department's wire No. 595, WRB No. 71, we informed you regarding expenditures made up to that time.

There are enclosed herein:

1) Letter dated October 16, 1944, signed by Messrs. Griffel and Kastner, reporting that the sum of $18,842.37 had been converted, out of the $25,000 received by them;

2) Detailed supporting statements for each of the items mentioned in the October 16 letter.

With reference to the statements themselves, we wish to make the following observations:

1) The original report submitted to us in July by Mr. Griffel was incorrect, inasmuch as it reported an expenditure of T.L. 12,064.57 to the firm of W. P. Henry Vander Zea instead of the correct amount of $12,064.57. Mr. Griffel informed us orally that this expenditure was made at the request of Jewish Agency people in Istanbul, who had purchased a ship called the Lily, which had been transferred to Palestinian registry and was to be used for the transport of refugees. I am advised that after one or two voyages, this ship sank.

2) The expenditures in the amounts of $1385.90 and $391.90 made to Triton Vapur Agent, were contributions made toward the charges of the steamship agency controlling the Bulgarian vessels, Maritza, Milka and Bellacita, for demurrage charges made when these ships were required to remain in
port beyond contract time for the embarkation of refugees;

3) The withdrawal of the $5,000 to cover office expenses was made pursuant to a cable which Mr. Griffel received direct from his committee in New York, of which a photostat is in our possession, and which states, "Authorize take office expenditures". On the basis of this cable Mr. Griffel withdrew $5,000 from the funds transferred, against which he has thus far expended for office purposes T.L. 7,171.35. He has also charged against these $5,000 the sum of T.L. 1,609.73 for other cash expenditures made for small items purchased in behalf of emigrants in transit through Istanbul, etc;

4) The T.L. 1,392.62 expended for telegrams and postage are covered, according to Mr. Griffel, by postoffice receipts and bills. We did not ask to have these exhibited to us.

Mr. Griffel informs us that none of the monies expended from the $25,000 were disbursed outside of Turkey.

If you require any other information concerning these reports, please advise us. Also, please inform us whether any of the items charged against the transfer are disallowable. As we do not have the terms of the license, we cannot judge that from here.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Herbert Katzki

J. W. Pehle, Esquire
Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Treasury Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Enols: as described
American Embassy
Ankara

Gentlemen,

We beg to inform you that from the amount of 105/5 12,500,- transmitted by Vaad Hazala Emergency Rescue Committee, New York, we paid since this date:

1.) to Messrs. W.P. Henry Vender Zee .... $ 12,064.57
2.) to the Ship Agency "Triton Vapur Ascent." $ 1,785.00
3.) dto. dto. dto. .... $ 791.00

for shiptransports.

Besides, we have also changed $ 5,000.-- in Turkish money to cover our office expenses.

Total $ 18,542.77

We remain, Gentlemen, very truly yours,

[Signature]
Details concerning the position 1 - 3 of the letter dated 16th October 1944, addressed to the American Embassy.

Ad Pos. 1 the amount of £12,064.57 has been paid to the Firm W.F.Henry van aer Zee in connection with the ship "LILY".

Ad Pos. 2 & 3 the amount of £1,785.90 also £ 391.90 has been paid as expenses for the stay of the ships "MALITA", "KILIA" and "HELZITA".
Details of distribution from the equivalent of £5000.00 contained in the letter dated 10th October 1944 addressed to the American Embassy.

Office permanent Staff from April 1st - Oct. 1st
/according to enclosure/ Lts. 2,997.60

Office assistant Staff from April 1st - Oct. 1st
/according to enclosure/ 1,412.00

Office rent April till October 17th
/according to enclosure/ 1,100.00

Porter and servant from 1./6. 4.10.44
210.00

Stationery July 11th till October 1st
/according to enclosure/ 278.29

Telephone paid from July 12th till October 6, 1944
/according to enclosure/ 182.82

Telegrams and postage 17.8 - 10.10.44
1,222.62

TOTAL Lts. 1,171.22

Immigrants account from August 1st - Oct. 1st
Lts. 1,609.73

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Office assistant from April 1st - Oct. 1st
/according to enclosure/

Office rent from April to Oct. 1st
/according to enclosure/

Porter and servant from 4.10.44

Stationery from July 11th to Oct. 1st
/according to enclosure/

Telephone paid from July 12th to Oct. 6, 1944
/according to enclosure/

Telegrams and postage 17.8 - 10.10.44

TOTAL Lts. 1,171.22

Immigrants account from Aug. 1st - Oct. 1st
Lts. 1,609.73
Office permanent Staff

For the months April 1-st till end August incl.:
Miss Galotti ................................ Ltqs 1,000.00

and separately, 24.8.1944 (departure)........ 100.00

For the months April 1-st till September incl.:
Mrs. Kanzah ...................................... 600.00
Miss S. Greif ...................................... 600.00
Mr. H. Frunkin .................................... 295.50

total ........... Ltqs 2595.50
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For April 1944 ................. Ltqs; 100.00
For May 1944 ..................... 100.00
June 1944 /partly dr.Hayon Ltqs.100.0 and
Hosalimos apartimani Ltqs.100.00/ 200.00
From July 1st to October 15th 1944 ........ 700.00
Total ...... Ltqs. 1,100.00
Stationery from 6.7.-10.X.1944.

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all according invoices

Lts 7.51
" 12.80
" 21.80
" 5.90
" 9.90
" 0.15
" 8.50
" 0.75
" 18.38
" 2.90
" 8.35
" 17.40
" 32.08
" 39.59
" 8.08
" 10.80
" 19.25
" 1.80
" 2.85
" 9.80
" 1.57
" 39.71

Lts 278.29
Telephone fees paid from 12.7. - 6.10.1944

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12.7.44  Paid by Dr. Hayon .......... Ltg. 71.50
11.8.44  Paid by Dr. Hayon .......... Ltg. 64.46
6.10.44  Paid by Dr. Hayon .......... Ltg. 46.80

Total .......... Ltg. 182.82
### Accounts for Emigrants

16.8.44 According receipt of Mr. Hayon
- Clothes ........................................... Ltq's: 108.20
- Hats ................................................ 20.25
- Sandals .......................................... 15.60
- Gloves ........................................... 9.60
- Various medicines, cigarettes, sweets, lemons, Eau de Cologne ............... 102.40 256.25

18.8.44 According receipt of Mr. Amon
- Different plates and food, keeping boxes etc. ........................................ 30.00

22.8.44 Mr. Amon's commission
- According Sami's receipt for stockings, shirts and food .......................... 45.20

23.8.44 According receipt Greif
- Butter, lemons, commission ................................................................. 7.62
- According receipt Greif
- For soap, toothpaste, lemons .............................................................. 7.44

25.8.44 According Mr. Amon's receipt
- For butter, sugar and cakes ................................................................. 6.25

28.8.44
- To Eliou .............................................
- Travelling expenses to Miss Greif ....................................................... 2.00

29.8.44 For bread ......................................
- For Rabbi 2 x Ltq's: 4.9 ................................................................. 2.41
- Saucepan ...........................................
- Sugar, eggs, butter ............................................................................. 4.19
- Electric boiler ..................................................................................... 23.35
- To hose porter ..................................................................................... 1.00

1.9.44 According Sami's receipt
- For lemons ......................................................................................... 7.05

5.9.44 According Sami's receipt
- For food ............................................................................................. 3.20
- To Eliou .............................................................................................. 1.00
- For candles ........................................................................................... 0.60

6.9.44 For butter, eggs, sugar
- To Eliou 5 plus 1 ............................................................................... 3.70
- For bread ............................................................................................. 6.00
- To Eliou .............................................................................................. 1.87
- For butter, eggs ................................................................................... 5.75

7.9.44 Cash payment from Wappenstein to Mr. Schiff and Mr. Gnatkek .......... 20.00

8.8.44 Expenses Mr. Griffel
- According Mr. Amon's receipt ............................................................... 8.43

10.9.44 According Sami's receipt
- For toothpaste and rakhi .................................................................... 8.43

10.9.44 According Sami's receipt for Talet
- For Family Gnatkek and Schiff, cash .................................................. 52.00
- For bread ............................................................................................. 2.00

Carried forward Ltq's: 605.76
According to Sassi's receipt for lessons
Reimbursement Taetsim Katania
for Haubi Hager according to Kohn's receipt
Morino 20/8 shopping at Kadikeyu
Cash to Lachner lt.s.30.00
Huckenstein 10.00
Rubin 14.00
Huckenstein for children
Klarsmann 20.00
to Landau 2.00

Journey expenses occasionally Morino
Itzhak Rischajon 87.50
" " 30.00
travelling fees and tip 12.00
Journey expenses occasionally Mulbah 34.00
Cash to Suki Fildermann 10.00
To Goldstof for distribution for emigrants 440.00
Expenses for Goldstof, Landau and Fraenkel 24.50
by Mr. Kastner

to Gnatek 10.00
to Löwy 10.00
for the refugees at school 5x 5 25.00
Taxi to Hospital 5.00
to Eliasou 10.00
to Hassi 12.00

TOTAL ltgs. 1,699.73
ANKARA,

War Refugee Board cable no. 71 follows.

Procurement of report at earliest opportunity from
Jacob Griffel giving total in dollar equivalent of amount
of free currency, if any, sent into enemy territory during
period ended June 1 pursuant to section 1 (c) of Treasury
license N-2166 requested by Department, War Refugee Board
and Treasury.

HULL
(GLN)
CABLE TO STEINBERG, ARILAL.

Department, the Refugee Board and Treasury request that you obtain as soon as possible from Jacob Griffith, a report giving the total in dollar equivalent of the amount of free currency, if any, sent into enemy territory during the period ending June first pursuant to section 2(c) of Treasury license 2-2166.

THIS IS OUR LAST CABLE, NO. 71

4:00 p.m.
June 30, 1944

Miss Chauncey (for the Sdly) Abramson, Cohn, Dubois, Friedman, Nodel, Laughlin, Lesser, Mann, Stewart, Central Files, Cable Control Files

File 6/29/44
FROM: Secretary of State, Washington
TO: American Embassy, Ankara
Dated: May 10, 1944
Number: 409

FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD TO STEINHART

Please deliver the following message to Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, from the Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee:

Cabled you twenty five thousand dollars to be used for rescue work only, not for maintenance. Advise us if received and details of your rescue program. Ready to send you further sums on receipt of detailed plans for rescue. Rabbi Israel Rosenberg, Eli Silver, Jacob Levinson, Aron Kotler and Abraham Kalmanowitz.

THIS IS WAR ANKARA CABLE NO. 32

HULL
CABLE TO ANKARA

From War Refugees Board to Steinhardt

Please deliver the following message to Jacob Griffel,
Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, from the Vaad Haatsala Emergency Committee:

"Cabled you twenty five thousand dollars to be used for rescue work only not for maintenance advise us if received and details of your rescue program ready to send you further sums on receipt of detailed plans for rescue Rabbis Israel Rosenberg, El Silver, Jacob Levinson, Aron Kotler and Abraham Kalmanowita"

THIS IS WRR ANKARA CABLE NO. 32

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May 2, 1944
2:20 p.m.

— S.F. —
Phlab 4/29/44
MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED TO JACOB GRIFELL
BAGALOU (ISTANBUL) TURKEY THROUGH AMERICAN
LEGATION ANKARA.

CABLED YOU TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BE USED FOR
RESCUE WORK ONLY NOT FOR MAINTENANCE ADVISE US IF RECEIVED
AND DETAILS OF YOUR RESCUE PROGRAM READY TO SEND YOU FURTHER
SUMS ON RECEIPT OF DETAILED PLANS FOR RESCUE

VAAD HAHATZALA EMERGENCY COMMITTEE
RABBIS ISRAEL ROSENBERG EL SILVER JACOB
LEVINSOON ARON KOTLER ABRAHAM KALMANOWITZ
FROM: Secretary of State, Washington,
TO: AMCONSUL, Jerusalem,
DATED: April 27, 1944
NUMBER: 90
FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD FOR CONSUL GENERAL

Please deliver the following message from War Refugee Board to Rabbi Joseph Mishkowski, Mekor Chaim, Jerusalem:

"Necessary you immediately send influential outstanding delegate to Istanbul to cooperate with Griffel. Remitted 25,000 dollars under license 617451-R to Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu for rescue. Sternbuch also remitted to him 25,000 francs.

Sternbuch cables urgency procuring unlimited number of veteran certificates for Rabbis and religious leaders in grave danger in Hungary and Lithuania.

Sternbuch reports these certificates useful for internment privileges in occupied territories and for possibilities of exchange. Necessary you inform American Consulate names of your Vaad Hatzalah Committee and your activities to enable consulate to lend you every support possible. Vaad Hatzalah Emergency Committee, Rabbi Rosenberg, Silver, Levinson, Kotler, Kalmanowitz UNQUOTE"
CABLE TO THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL AT JERUSALEM

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April 22, 1944
11:15 a.m.

AG. C.S. L.
Bakzin: 4/20/44
Message to be transmitted to

RABBI JOSEPH MISHKOFSKI
MEKOR CHAIM, JERUSALEM

NECESSARY YOU IMMEDIATELY SEND INFLUENTIAL OUTSTANDING DELEGATE TO ISTANBUL TO COOPERATE WITH GRIFFEL, REMITTED 25,000 DOLLARS UNDER LICENSE 617451-R TO JACOB GRIFFEL HOTEL CONTINENTAL BEYOGLU FOR RESCUE. STERNBUCH ALSO REMITTED TO HIM 25,000 FRANCS. STERNBUCH CABLES URGENTLY PROCUREMENT UNLIMITED NUMBER OF VETERAN CERTIFICATES FOR RABBIS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN GRAVE DANGER IN HUNGARY AND LITHUANIA. STERNBUCH REPORTS THESE CERTIFICATES USEFUL FOR INTERNEE PRIVILEGES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND FOR POSSIBILITY OF EXCHANGE. NECESSARY YOU INFORM AMERICAN CONSULATE NAMES OF YOUR VAAD HATZALA COMMITTEE AND YOUR ACTIVITIES. BECAUSE CONSULATE WILL LEND YOU EVERY SUPPORT POSSIBLE.

VAAD HATZALA RABBIS ISRAEL ROSENBERG
EL SILVER, JACOB LEVINSON
ARON KOTLER, ABRAHAM KALLEH MANOWITZ
April 8, 1943,
5 p.m.

CONTROL COPY

Dear Mr. President:

FOLLOWING MESSAGE IN MOOR CABLE.

"PLEASE APPROACH ROSSO FOR AS MANY PEOPLE

POSSIBLE. WE ARE READY WITH MONEY, Sending 100,000. Im-

mediately contact American Embassy, cable us every week.

Meet with Ratzin and others on same committee. Contact
eight others. Answer immediately to Frank Israel Rosen-

berg, El Silver, Jacob Levinson, Aaron Kohler, and Abraham

Kohnenstein, UNCC.

Yours,

Hull

(Cec)
March 31, 1944

10:00 a.m.

TO: Mr. Warren

WHOM: J. H. Pohle

It will be appreciated if you will have the attached cable despatched at once to Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, Turkey, from the Vaad Haatsala Emergency Committee, and bill the Vaad Haatsala Emergency Committee, 132 Nassau Street, New York 7, N. Y., for the cost of the message and any answer thereto.

Attachment.
CABLE TO ANKARA
From U.S. Refugees Board to Steinhardt

Please deliver the following message to Jacob Griffl, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, from the Vaad Hadassah Emergency Committee:

"Please arrange rescue for as many people possible. We are ready with money, sending $25,000. Immediately contact American Embassy, cable us every week. Form with Fastnor and others a rescue committee. Contact also Stormbush. Answer immediately to Vaad Hadassah, 132 Nassau Street, New York City. Rabbi Israel Rosenberg, 11 "Eliver, Jacob Levinson, Aaron Kotler and Abraham Ralsanowitz"
FROM: Secretary of State, Washington.
TO: AMERICAN EMBASSY, ANKARA.
DATED: April 6, 1944, 7 p.m.
NUMBER: 311

CONTROL COPY

Given below is the substance of a license (no. U-2106) which the Treasury Department has issued to VAD MAHATZALE Emergency Committee, 132 Nassau Street, New York City. It is requested that you deliver to the representative of VAD MAHATZALE in Turkey, Mr. Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, the substance of this license.

(a) Notwithstanding General ruling Number 11, we hereby authorize your representatives in Turkey, together with such agents as may be appointed by them, to communicate with persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory, by any means which they may deem necessary or expedient, for the purpose of arranging the evacuation, to such areas of safety or relative safety as may be selected by such representatives or their agents, of those persons in such territory in imminent danger of their lives, and to arrange for the safeguard and sustenance thereof until such evacuation is possible, the representatives being authorized hereby to pursue any other action which may be appropriate for said purposes,

DECLASSIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 4-15-72
By R. H. Parks Date, SEP 18 1972
purposes, including the payment of funds to persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory who may have provided either goods or services in connection with the foregoing.

In order to acquire the necessary local currency for financing the operations referred to, we authorize the following three methods, provided that method number three shall not be used if it is feasible to use either of the first two methods to obtain the local currency or exchange: (1) The currency or exchange of the country or countries in which operations are to take place may be purchased in Turkey if your representatives are reasonably satisfied that the sellers have held such exchange or currency from a date prior to the date as of which the United States Government froze such country or countries, or if it was acquired subsequently, that such currency or exchange was procured by the seller under circumstances not of benefit to the enemy. Your representatives are to consult with the United States Embassy in Ankara when possible in each such case. The sellers of such local currency or exchange may be reimbursed in Turkish pounds at the prevailing unofficial rate of exchange in Turkey; (2) local currency or exchange of the country or countries in which the operations are to take place may be purchased...
purchased in enemy or enemy-occupied territory provided that reimbursement is not made until the war has been terminated. Blocked accounts may be established on your books in the United States or in a bank either in Turkey or in the United States in order to insure reimbursement to the seller of such currency or exchange subsequent to the war, provided that no assignment of any interest in such blocked account or payment therefrom will be permitted unless specifically approved by the Treasury Department in each case; (3) the necessary local exchange, funds, or goods or services may be acquired in enemy or enemy-occupied territory against payment in free currency notes or free foreign exchange provided that your representatives shall take such reasonable steps as may be possible to prevent such free currency notes or free foreign exchange from being acquired by any person who will make the same available to the enemy, either directly or indirectly.

(B) Individual licenses authorizing the specific amounts pursuant to this license will be issued by Treasury and the total amounts represented by claims against any blocked account established in accordance with this license, plus the sums paid out or otherwise blocked pursuant hereto, shall not exceed the total amount
amount in dollars (or the foreign currency equivalent) so specifically authorized by the Treasury.

(C) Your representatives should insure to whatever extent is possible that the sellers of exchange or local currency are persons acceptable to the United States Embassy at Ankara and a full report should be made to the United States Embassy concerning the financial transactions completed in accordance with this license.

(D) Periodic reports with respect to the operations carried into effect pursuant to this license should be given to the United States Embassy in Ankara by your representatives.

You should inform Mr. Jacob Griffel that the Vaad HaHatsala is making an initial remittance of $25,000 to begin the operations.

You should note that the foregoing license is substantially the same as licenses issued previously to this and other private agencies for the purpose of carrying out similar operations from Spain, Sweden, Portugal and Switzerland. These operations have been approved by the Treasury, the Department, and the War Refugee Board, and you are requested to facilitate carrying them into effect in so far as may be possible. Furthermore, you are requested to report to the Department
Department at once any difficulties which may be encountered, especially in connection with the financial operations, and a statement as to progress toward the objectives envisaged should be included in your report. All reports filed in accordance with paragraph (d) of the license should be promptly forwarded to the department. In matters of this kind, time is frequently of the essence, as you are aware, and therefore you should avoid delays. Therefore, you are requested to give liberal interpretation to the license and the authority which it grants, as and when the occasion arises, reporting to the department any such interpretations. You are informed that paragraph (A-1) already has been construed as allowing the purchase from persons in Turkey of local currency or exchange irrespective of where the currency or exchange may in fact be located. Furthermore, you should note that while under paragraph (A-3) foreign exchange may be made available in enemy or enemy-occupied territory, you should use this method if under the circumstances, the relief operations and evacuation which the license authorizes, can thereby be carried into immediate execution most effectively. On the other hand, either (1) or (2) should be used in preference to the third method if the operations will not be prejudiced in any way.
From previous communications from the War Refugee Board you will have recognized that the saving of lives is felt to be of paramount importance and it follows that while we are still vitally concerned with preventing the acquisition of foreign exchange by the enemy, this factor is to be subordinated to the maximum realization of the rescue objectives, of which the license discussed above is an important factor, being undertaken at the present time.
This will confirm the fact that the license issued to the Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee (W-2166) has been prepared for transmission to the American Legation in Ankara.

(Initialled) W.I.R.

William I. Riegelman
MEMORANDUM

For attachment to:

FFC Letter No:

Date: MAR 24 1944

Project No:

TO: Liaison Officer, Foreign Funds Control

FROM: War Refugee Board

Subject: Rescue of Jews from Balkans

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a letter dated March 21, 1944, from Mr. Rabbi Kalmanowitz, Vaad Hahatzala, dealing with the transfer of $25,000 to Turkey for immediate rescue work to save lives of as many people as possible.

The War Refugee Board recommends that appropriate Treasury licenses and other necessary documents be issued permitting the execution of the project contemplated in the letter described above.

Remarks:

F. Hodel
For the War Refugee Board

Action:

Basic license No. W-2666 issued March 29, 1944.
Remittance License No. Resue NY 637451 issued March 30, 1944.
Other: Letter No. 59305 dated March 29, 1944.
Letter No. 59303 dated March 29, 1944 (cable). Liaison Officer
Letter No. 59302 dated March 29, 1944 Foreign Funds Control

Date: MAR 30 1944
Pursuant to application filed directly with this Department, you are hereby authorized to issue license to Vladina Shabtai Emergency Committee, 132 Nassau Street, New York, City, permitting it, notwithstanding General Ruling No. 11, to remit the equivalent of $250.00 to Dr. Jacob Grifel, Hotel Continental, Beyoğlu, Turkey, for disbursement in accordance with the provisions of license No. 6-2166.

[Initialed] O.A.S.

Unit 402 New Jersey 3-24-44
In reply please refer to 59305

Sir:

The war refugee board has transmitted to this department a copy of your letter dated March 22, 1944, in which you requested the board to recommend the issuance of a license permitting you to transport the sum of $15,000 to Mr. Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoğlu, Turkey, for immediate rescue work among refugees in Hungary and the Balkan countries.

Pursuant to the recommendation made to this department by the war refugee board, there is enclosed herewith license No. 5-2166 governing the financing of such activities and permitting you to communicate with your representative in Turkey with respect thereto. The license also permits your representative in Turkey to communicate with persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory for the purposes contemplated therein. You will note that this license expires six months after date thereof. In this connection, you are informed that this department will be pleased to consider extending such expiration date in the event that the operations licensed therein should extend beyond such six-month period.

The American Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, is being notified of the issuance of this license and requested to approach your representative in connection therewith. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York has been authorized to issue to you a license to effect the remittance of $15,000 to Mr. Griffel for the purpose of financing the operations contemplated in your letter under reference.

Very truly yours,

Orvin A. Schmidt
Acting Director

United Nations Emergency Committee,
132 West 56th Street,
New York, New York.

116 Park Avenue 3-25-44
To Vaud Mahatsala Emergency Committee,
(Dane of Licensee)
132 Murphy Street, New York, New York,
(Address of Licensee)

Sir:

1. In order to arrange for the evacuation to places of safety or relative safety as shall be selected by your representatives of persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory whose lives are in imminent danger and, pending feasible evacuation, to sustain and safeguard the lives of such persons, your representatives in Turkey (including such agents as they may appoint) are hereby licensed, notwithstanding the provisions of General Ruling No. 11, to communicate with persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory in any manner they deem necessary or expedient and to take all other appropriate action, including the acquisition of necessary funds, goods, or services from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory against payment in accordance with the terms of this license. The necessary funds to finance such operations may be obtained by any of the following methods:

(a) The first method is the purchase of currency or exchange of the country in which the operations are to be effected from persons in Turkey who your representatives, after consulting with the American Embassy in Ankara when feasible, or reasonably certain have held such currency or exchange since prior to the freezing of such country by the United States, or have since acquired such currency or exchange in any manner as has not benefited the enemy. The sellers of such currency may be reimbursed therefor in Turkish pounds at the prevailing unofficial rates of exchange in Turkey.

(b) The second method is the acquisition of local currencies or exchange from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territories for which reimbursement will not be made until after the war. In order to insure reimbursement after the war to the persons supplying such currencies or exchange, blocked accounts may be established on your books in the United States, or in a bank in the United States or a bank in Turkey. No payments may be made from any such blocked account without the specific approval of the Treasury Department and no assignments may be made of any interest in such blocked account without such approval.

(c) The third method shall not be used if it is feasible to obtain the local funds by either of the first two methods. The third method is the acquisition of the necessary local funds, goods or services from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory against payment in free exchange or free currency notes. Your representatives should take reasonable steps to avoid such foreign exchange or free currency notes being paid to persons who will make it available to the enemy.
2. The total amount of funds paid out or set up in blocked accounts or otherwise obligated under the terms of this license shall not exceed the amounts of dollars (or the foreign currency equivalent thereof) authorized by specific Treasury license to be used under this license.

3. Your representatives should keep the American Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, fully informed with respect to the financial transactions affected under this license. Insofar as feasible your representatives should make certain that the persons from whom the local currencies or exchanges are purchased are acceptable to the Embassy. Your representatives should satisfy themselves that payments to such persons will not benefit the enemy.

4. Periodic reports with regard to any operations engaged in under this license should be filed with the Treasury Department by your representatives through the American Embassy in Ankara, Turkey.

5. This license is granted upon the statements and representations filed with the Treasury Department, and is subject to the condition, among others, that you will comply in all respects with Executive Order No. 8389 of April 10, 1940, as amended, and the regulations issued thereunder and the terms of this license.

6. This license expires six months after date hereof, is not transferable, is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 8389 of April 10, 1940, as amended, and the regulations issued thereunder and may be revoked, modified, or declared void at any time at the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury acting directly or through the agency through which the license was issued, or any other agency designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Orvis A. Schmidt
Acting Director
In reply please refer to: 59303

To: Chief, N.Y.I. Division, Department of State.

From: Orvis H. Selvidge

Attention: Mr. William Hogeiman

It will be appreciated if the attached cable, relative to the issuance of License No. K-2166 to the Voad Refugia Emergency Committee, 132 Nassau Street, New York, New York, may be despatched immediately to the American Embassy, Ankara, Turkey, through the facilities available to the Department of State.

Please advise Mr. E. B. Parke, the Foreign Funds Control Liaison Officer with the War Refugee Board when cable is despatched.

Attachment.

RBParke14 3-24-44
Please transmit directly to Mr. Jacob Griffl, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, representative in Turkey of the Ford Motor Sales Corporation Committee, 159 Newman Street, New York City, the following which is text of license No. 2166 issued by the Treasury Department to the Ford Motor Sales Corporation (text of license begins):

1. In order to arrange for the evacuation to safety or relative safety of all or any persons in enemy-occupied territory whose lives are in immediate danger and pending possible evacuation to maintain and defend the lives of such persons, your representatives in Turkey (including such agents as they may appoint) are hereby licensed, notwithstanding the provisions of General Rule No. 11, to communicate with persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory in any manner they may deem necessary or expedient and to take all other appropriate action, including the acquisition of necessary funds, goods, or services from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory against payment in accordance with the terms of this license. The necessary funds to finance such operations may be obtained by any of the following methods:

(a) The first method is the purchase of currency or exchange of the country in which the operations are to be effected from persons in Turkey who your representatives, after consulting with the American Embassy, in amount, when possible, in such degree as is reasonable certain have held such currency or exchange since prior to the freezing of such country by the United States, or have since acquired such currency or exchange in such manner as has not benefited the enemy. The sellers of such currency may be reimbursed therefore in Turkish pounds at the prevailing unofficial rates of exchange in Turkey.
(b) The second method is the acquisition of local currencies or exchange from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territories for which reimbursement will not be made until after the war. In order to insure reimbursement after the war to the persons supplying such currencies or exchange, blocked accounts may be established on your books in the United States, or in a bank in the United States or a bank in Turkey. No payments may be made from any such blocked account without the specific approval of the Treasury Department, and no assignments may be made of any interest in such blocked account without such approval.

(c) The third method should not be used if it is feasible to obtain the local funds by either of the first two methods. The third method is the acquisition of the necessary local funds, goods or services from persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory against payment in free exchange or free currency notes. Your representatives should take reasonable steps to avoid such foreign exchange or free currency notes being paid to persons who will make it available to the enemy.

2. The total amount of funds paid out or set up in blocked accounts or otherwise obligated under the terms of this license shall not exceed the amounts of dollars (or the foreign currency equivalent thereof) authorized by specific Treasury license to be used under this license.

3. Your representatives should keep the American embassy in Ankara, Turkey, fully informed with respect to the financial transactions effected under this license. Insofar as feasible your representatives should make certain that the persons from whom the local currencies or exchange are purchased are acceptable to the embassy.
4. Periodic reports with regard to the operations engaged in under this license should be filed with the Treasury Department by your representatives through the American Consulate in Havana, Cuba. (As of text of license.)

The operations undertaken by this license have the approval of the Department, the War Department, and the Treasury. The Treasury is requested to take all reasonable steps to facilitate these operations and report, in so far as possible, the progress being made and any difficulties encountered, particularly a situation with the financial operations involved. In order to avoid delays in these matters, the Treasury is requested to make liberal interpretations of the terms of this license, bearing in mind that the aim of the measure. The Secretary of the Treasury should be kept advised of any major later relations.

To begin operations, an initial remittance of $25,000 to Mr. Griffel is being made by the Ward Hohalski.
In reply please refer to 59502

Dear Mr. Davis:

For your information and the completion of your files, there is enclosed herewith a copy of License No. 3-2166 issued under even date to the Zoad Mahakala Emergency Committee, 132 Nassau Street, New York, New York.

Sincerely yours,

Orvis A. Schmidt
Acting Director

Mr. Norman I. Davis,
Manager,
Foreign Funds Control Department,
Federal Reserve Bank of New York,
New York, New York.

enclosure.

Respectfully,

3-24-44
March 21, 1941.

The War Refugee Board,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

In view of the present situation in Hungary and the threatening developments in other countries, I am hereby authorized to grant them a license for the transfer of $15,000,000 (fifteen million dollars) to Turkey for immediate rescue work to save the lives of as many people as possible.

The money will be sent to Mr. Jacob Schiff, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, Turkey.

Furthermore, we take the liberty to ask you to send to the same person in behalf of us a telegram, copy of which is enclosed to this letter.

It is evident that utmost speed is necessary if anything is to be accomplished at all. Therefore, I trust you will give this matter your special consideration.

Thanking you for all the help you will give us in advance we are

Very respectfully yours,

A. Kalmanowitz
Rabbi and Head Rabbi-in-Exile
VAAD HAHATZALA EMERGENCY COMITTEE
Copy of Telegram to be sent to Veal Hetzala:

Jacob Griffel, Hotel Continental, Beyoglu, Turkey. Please arrange rescue for as many people possible. We are ready with money, sending $5,000. - Immediately contact Jacob Griffel, call us every week. Form with Kestner and others a rescue committee, contact also Veal Hetzala, 138 Market Street New York.

Sincerely,
Rabbi Israel Rosenberg
Rabbi El. Silver
Rabbi Jacob Levinson
Rabbi Aaron Kotler
Rabbi Abraham Kalmanovitz