General O'Dwyer has asked me to advise you that he called Mr. McClelland on the telephone this morning to get the latest report on our program from Switzerland.

Five trucks are leaving Switzerland Monday, April 9th, for Lubeck in the northern part of Germany, carrying 60 tons of parcels and fuel. Four more trucks are leaving Switzerland April 12th for the Dachau camps which are near Munich. 30,000 War Refugee Board parcels will go forward by railroad from Switzerland to an International Red Cross depot near Heinsberg, Germany. With this movement under way, it is contemplated that the 60,000 War Refugee Board parcels still in Switzerland will be cleared out of Switzerland within the next two weeks. This clearly points up the need for the prisoner of war parcels which General O'Dwyer reported to you yesterday had been arranged for with the War Department. Mr. McClelland was delighted with this news and he will work out at once all the details of repackaging in Switzerland. Mr. Katzki has arrived in Switzerland from Paris and will stay in Geneva for the next week to work closely with the International Red Cross on the details of this program.

With respect to evacuating refugees to Switzerland, McClelland reported that it is expected that a truck convoy will arrive in Switzerland very shortly bringing 300 women, children and aged people. He stated that the Germans had not yet finally agreed to the use of our trucks for evacuating refugees to Switzerland.

(Signed) Florence Hodel
General O'Dwyer spoke with Mr. McClelland in Bern, Switzerland, by telephone today at 12:30 a.m. Mr. McClelland advised the General that Kastki had arrived in Switzerland yesterday and was en route to Geneva where he would try to work with the International Red Cross on the details of our food deliveries. McClelland stated that he had sent an urgent wire to the Board this morning reporting that things were going quite well.

He stated that he was very happy to report that the French-Belleville trucks were moving ahead and would probably not return to Switzerland for some time. In addition, we have been discussing French Renaults leaving Switzerland on April 9th for Debach and the Munich area. It is expected that these trucks will stay in that area until they are able to deliver all of the relief supplies they will carry. It is also hoped that about 10,000 War Refugee Board parcels will be forwarded by railroad to a Red Cross depot at Reussenberg, which is near large concentrations of Internes.

McClelland also reported that, in addition to the foregoing 3 French trucks, it is hoped that 12 more French trucks will soon be in operation for us. He reported that the 50,000 parcels contained in General Galland's agreement with the Swiss for the shipment of 300,000 parcels will now be cleared out of Switzerland within the next two weeks.

In view of the fact that the War Refugee Board stock of food parcels in Switzerland is expected to be exhausted in the next two weeks, McClelland inquired as to when the next 300,000 parcels could be expected. General O'Dwyer advised McClelland that we were cancelling our contract for the 300,000 parcels, but that we had just arranged with the Army for the acquisition of 100,000 parcels previously stored in Switzerland. General O'Dwyer explained that the War Department had exercised a condition of repurchasing some of these parcels for war refugees in concentration camps. General O'Dwyer questioned McClelland concerning the reported requirement that packages going to civilian internees be of the size that we had specified before from this country. McClelland stated that he thought this size had been specified merely because of German parcel cost requirements. However, he is not clear on this point and will check immediately by telephone with the International Red Cross. McClelland stated further that it was his
opinion that the security problem was largely one of the Red Cross working on the poisoning. The General then asked McIlrath whether repackaging could be done in Switzerland and whether or not containers could be obtained there. McIlrath said he was pretty sure container could be obtained in Switzerland. However, he will check on this point and report to the Board.

The General then asked for a report on the possibility of bringing people out of Germany into Switzerland. McIlrath stated that it is expected that 300 persons, mainly women and children, will arrive soon in Switzerland in a truck convoy. In reply to the General's question as to whether or not our troops could be used for evacuating refugees, McIlrath stated that this question had not yet been settled in principle; that final word was still awaited from the Germans.

F. Hodel
Secretary of State
Washington

US URGENT
1988, April 6, 11 a.m.
FOR O'DWYER OF WFD FROM MCCLELLAND.

Arrangements with ICRC for securing trucks to transport WFD food parcels into Germany for civil detainees are shaping up as follows: Six Renault trucks will be available for loading morning April 9 and should depart on April 10. ICRC's Division of Special Assistance still hopes send them to Berlin - Lübeck - Hamburg area to relieve rapidly worsening condition of detainees in concentration camps of Oranienburg, Ravensbrück and Hamburg Neuengamme. If it proves impossible to dispatch trucks this area they will be sent Munich region and east.

Prospects are good getting four to six more Renaults moving by April 13.

These French trucks, although new, all required light overhauling, painting with ICRC insignia, etc, extra, which has delayed their use.

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State Dept. Letter, 4-12-72
With thanks

By R. H. Parks Date SEP 19 1972
With tires and diesel oil procured for ICRC by board's efforts committee hopes make at least four trucks available also next week for our program.

Since it is quite possible that only areas of Munich and to east and northeast thereof will be accessible in future it is planned to direct relief shipments by truck mainly to these regions taking in camps of Dachau, Landsberg Ambach, Flossenburg and Hambach near Linz, including emergency relief to evacuated deportees on roads. These shipments would be apart from any that might go to Lubbeck area.

Recent news from Germany indicates that almost all internal telephone and telegraph communications are disrupted so that individual camp commanders are progressively more isolated. Little or no centralized SS control, therefore, appears to exist which may tend to preclude any general last minute extermination of large group civil detainees.

ICRC reported this afternoon that truck convoy carrying 300 French women and small children, presumably civil detainees, is expected to arrive.
#1988, April 6, 11 a.m., from Bern.

arrive Kreuzlingen tomorrow.

Exact area or camp from which these persons
come is still unknown.

Herbert Katzki arrived this afternoon, April 5 from Paris and will actively work with me on
these TB programs.

All further significant developments in situation
will be reported to Board.

HARRISON

JT
Secretary of State, Washington.

1962, April 5, 7 p.m.

In view of the urgency case as outlined Department's reference telegram Legation has exceptionally (Department's 998 WRB's 439 March 9, and Legation's 1991 April 5 from McClelland for WRB) authorized Swiss deliver one tank car diesel oil to ICRC for use in trucks transporting supplies for prisoners of war camps in Germany from stock of diesel oil of American origin held in Spain by auto transit but which object of special control measures exacted by BEW and MEW when imported in 1942. British Legation has concurred (repeated London 1059) and so advised Swiss authorities.

HARRISON

For security reasons the text of this message must be closely guarded.

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State Dept. Letter, 9-15-72
By R. H. Parks Date, SEP 19 1972
This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government agency.

DHH-709

Bern

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Secretary of State

Washington

1945, April 5, 6 p.m.

FOR MR SHO MCCLELLAND

Department's 998 WRB's 439 March 9.

ICRC plans use thirty tires and tubes recently released to committee by SHAFF G-4 in Paris to equip four to five Swiss trucks. Such trucks, however, burn Diesel oil only gasoline driven trucks suitable for this purpose being unobtainable in Switzerland. Urgent question has accordingly now arisen of securing Diesel oil. Swiss petroleum firm of "petrola" is willing immediately advance up to fifteen tons Diesel oil to ICRC. Swiss commercial authorities, however, request prior permission from Allied blockade authorities to import corresponding amount of Diesel fuel from Swiss stocks at present in Spain to replace that released to ICRC. These stocks were originally licensed by our blockade for use in Swiss trucking operations in Spain only so
-2- #1981, April 5, 6 p.m., from Bern

only so that import into Switzerland would constitute deviation from original use.

In view of extreme urgency of situation and in support of board's desire as outlined in your 438 that all possible steps be taken to deliver YRE food parcels to intended beneficiaries in Germany economic section of this Legation with concurrence of British Legation is exceptionally approving importation of one tank car of this Swiss Diesel oil from Spain to replace oil advanced now by "petrola" to ICRC and is so advising our and British blockade authorities.

In order to conform to blockade provisions concerning relief deliveries by ICRC in Germany this Diesel oil will be formally made available to committee for prisoner of war trucks but will permit ICRC release other trucks for YRE programs.

It would be most appreciated if board will support this decision of our and British Legation's with the competent agencies of our government.

See Legation's 1982, today,
Repeated London 105.

HARRISON

EDA
SECRETARY OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

1662, April 4, 5 p.m.

FOR O'BRIEN FROM KANNE AND KATZKI.

G-4 negotiations regarding shipment food packages heretofore reported to you are now substantially completed. Katzki is proceeding to Switzerland April 4 with arrangements made for immediate re-entry into France if circumstances warrant. Pursuant to Treasury telegram 1277 Mann is proceeding to London April 5 but can return to Paris should such be necessary. Ground work laid with G-4 and G-5 for movement of group from Switzerland to Philippeville and southern Italy with preliminary target date set the first half of group set for April 30. G-4 and G-5 will make necessary arrangements for transportation from Swiss border are now arranging feeding and shelter accommodations for group while in France. We are also in touch with Youngdahl the UNRRA representative, with G-5 (SHAEF main and French mission) and JDC representatives in Paris.

CAPPERY

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R.H. Parks Dec 1972
The following for James H. Munn from Secretary of the Treasury.

In view of Taylor's absence from London you are instructed to return to London to be in charge of Treasury office there immediately upon completion of War Refugee Board negotiations with C-4 in Paris. War Refugee Board concurs.

By T. J. [Signature]

Declasified

By Authority of T.O. 160

By SEP 19, 1972
CABLE TO CAFFERY, PARIS, FOR JAMES H. MANN FROM SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

In view of Taylor's absence from London you are instructed to return to London to be in charge of Treasury office there immediately upon completion of War Refugee Board negotiations with G-4 in Paris. War Refugee Board concurs.

4:30 p.m.
March 30, 1946

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Cohn, DaRois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files.

philcable 3/30/46
Depends I see about
that he agreed to
Mann returning to
London, and he not
seen wording of cable.

L. G. Aarons
You are hereby instructed to return to Washington for consultation with Treasury and Board, upon completion of War Refugee Board negotiations with C-4 in Paris. It is hoped you can reach Washington by April 23rd.
CABLE TO CAPT. H. W. MCCONNELL FROM SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY AND WILLIAM O'DOWD, WAR REFUGEE BOARD

You are hereby instructed to return to Washington for consultation with Treasury and Board, upon completion of War Refugee Board negotiations with G-I in Paris. It is hoped you can reach Washington by April 30th.

To be in charge of Treasury office until
The following is from Holland for O'Meara of WIB.

Today I returned to Bern and arrangements to have ICRC pick up loads of thirty tires and tubes which U. S. Army will deliver on April 3 to Swiss border at Fascletry are being made with ICRC. I shall advise Board as soon as I learn how many Swiss trucks can be secured with these tires.

In addition, I am taking up the matter of getting as many French trucks off for Germany with our relief supplies as possible with ICRC. Based on written promise of the U. S. Army of delivery of two thousand gallons gasoline per week for WIB program. All progress in this connection will be reported promptly to WIB.
LORD: THIS IS A MIGHTY/Administration. I MIGHTBE KIND ENOUGH TO
NOT FACILITATE AN INTERVIEW. I THOUGHT WE HAD BETTER CALL YOU UP AND
SEE IF YOU HAVE THINGS WORTH COMING.

OFFICER: YES, SIR.

LORD: WE HAVE BEEN GENERAL'S OFFICE ON THREE OCCASIONS, AND HE SAYS
THAT IT IS USURP THE PARKS TO GIVE US ANY INFORMATION AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF
THE MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS. AS SUCH, HE WOULD LIKE TO BE BOUND BECAUSE
OF THE MILITARY Necessity FOR USING THEM. HE HAS GIVEN US
2,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE A WEEK AND HE HAS GIVEN US 30 TRUCKS, 30 TRUCK
THERES, AND THOSE 30 TRUCK THERES WILL TAKE SIX ARMY THERES AVAILABLE, parses
... 
... THE 2,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE INCLUDES LUBRICATION
OIL AND GREASE. WE CAN USE THAT OIL, MIND YOU, OR WE CAN USE THE
... TRUCKS WHICH HAVE TURNED OVER TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS IN
... SWITZERLAND. THERE ARE BRAND NEW TRUCKS, TIMES YOUR CAPACITY.

OFFICER: EXACTLY.

LORD: WE DON'T KNOW. WE THINK WE CAN GET ENOUGH TO USE UP OUR FUEL.

OFFICER: YES.

LORD: IF WE ARE UNABLE TO SAY JUST HOW MANY THERES WE CAN HAUL, BECAUSE AT
THIS TIME WE DON'T KNOW EXACTLY THE LENGTH OF THE VOYAGE THAT EACH TRUCK
WILL TAKE, BUT IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING THESE TRUCKS AND IF WE WERE
WILL BE, THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO USE UP OUR FUEL. HOW IT IS POSSIBLE,
I THINK, GENERAL, THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO GET THIS FUEL WITHOUT MUCH
WIRK AND EASE. IF WE FIND OUT THAT WE HAVE TRUCKS ENOUGH TO HAUL IT,
AS SOON AS HE HAVE COME UP TO SWITZERLAND AND TANG THE WHOLE THING OUT, AND SHE
WE STAY AND ARE ABLE TO IMPORT SOME OF THE CONCRETE WE ARE GOING TO IMPORT
SHOOT A MESS TO YOU, BECAUSE WE CAN GET ANY MESS GAS AN AUTHORIZATION FROM
THE CANADA THAT WILL HAVE TO CLEET THROUGH. THAT OF COURSE, IS SOMETHING
THAT YOU WILL HAVE TO GET.

OFFICER: WELL, SIR, WE WOULDN'T OF COURSE ASK THE CANADA DEPARTMENT FOR THAT
AUTHORIZATION UNTIL YOU NOTIFIED US THAT YOU HAD THE ROCKS AND HADNED IT.

LORD: THAT'S RIGHT. WE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO, BECAUSE WE WANT TO GO THERE
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State Dept. Letter 1/1/72
By H. H. Parks Date SEP 19 1972
MR. KASUI AND MR. O'DIER

MANN: FIRST AND ONLY, JUST HOW WE STAND ON WHAT WE HAVE.
O'DIER: WE WILL WAIT FOR YOU TO TELL US WHEN YOU WANT THEM.
MANN: THAT'S RIGHT.
O'DIER: ALL RIGHT.
MANN: I WANT TO MAKE THIS POINT, THAT GENERAL GILLESPIE HAS BEEN VERY SYMPATHETIC HERE, HE HAS BEEN VERY NICE TO US, ALL THE PEOPLE IN G-6 HAVE. WE THINK THAT IF THIS WORKS, AS WE BELIEVE IT WILL, THAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED SOMETHING HERE.
O'DIER: 'YOU CERTAINLY HAVE.
MANN: YOU WILL HEAR MORE FROM US A LITTLE LATER ON. JUST A MINUTE. KASUI AND MR. GILLESPIE WOULD WANT TO SAY SOMETHING TO YOU. THEY'VE GOTTEN OTHER POINTS ON THIS THING THEY WANT TO TAKE UP.
O'DIER: ALL RIGHT, JIM. THANKS VERY MUCH.
KASUI: GENERAL, ONE OR TWO THINGS, PERHAPS, WHICH YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE OVER FOR US. SAM HILL OVER HERE, THINK YOU KNOW THE NAME.
O'DIER: YES, I KNOW SAM.
KASUI: NEVER SENT A TELEGRAM OVER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON MARCH 23 IN CONNEXION WITH THESE 100 TRUCKS WHICH ARE SUPPOSED TO BE EMBARKED FOR PRISONERS OF WAR PACKAGES, ONLY FOR PRISONERS OF THE BATTLEFIELD, YOU SEE.
O'DIER: YES.
KASUI: NOW, HEBER, IN HIS TELEGRAM TO THE DEPARTMENT, ASKED WHETHER IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO USE SOME OF THE SPACE ON THESE TRUCKS FOR THESE INTERNEES, THAT IS, ALLIED PEOPLE IN CONCENTRATION CAMPS AND ALLIED PEOPLE OVER ON THE ROADS, WHO ARE BEING MOVED ABOUT. HEBER, UP TO THE PRESENT TIME, HAS RECEIVED NO RESPONSE TO THAT WIRE.
O'DIER: WE'LL CHECK ON THAT.
KASUI: THAT'S RIGHT, AND IF YOU POSSIBLY CAN GET A FAVORABLY ANSWER OUT OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US TO GET AN ALLOCATION ON THESE AMERICAN RED CROSS TRUCKS. WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM WASHINGTON HEBER CAN'T DO A THING.
MR KASSER AND MR OCHER

DAY: YES.

DAY: WE SAW THAT WERE NOT EVEN BEFORE WE CAME OVER AT THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, I BELIEVE, AND I THINK WE CAN GIVE IT A FURTHER POSSIBLY AND GET SOME OF HIS SPACE ALLOCATED TO USE.

DAY: THAT'S FINES, HOWEVER, WE WILL TRY AND DO THAT AT OUR END.

DAY: VERY GOOD. IF YOU GET A FAVORABLE ANSWER OR ANY KIND OF AN ANSWER ON IT LET US KNOW THAT IT IS SO THAT WE CAN GO BACK TO TALK TO RED CROSS. WE CAN'T TAKE OFFERS. WE WILL BE GIVEN SPACE ALLOCATED TO USE.

DAY: HOW LONG WILL YOU BE IN LANZI?

DAY: WELL, I'M BACK IN SUIZERLAND TO CHARGE OF IT AND I'M IN THE STATE RIGHT NOW. I'M GOING TO REACH HERE TO KEEP PADING AROUND, YOU KNOW?

DAY: I THINK THAT'S SENSIBLE.

DAY: YES, WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

DAY: AND I HAD A LITTLE CONFERENCE YESTERDAY WITH ARMY-5, WITH THE

AND SOME OTHERS ABOUT THE OPAQUE OF THOSE 2,000 PEOPLE OUT OF SUIZERLAND. THAT REMONSTRANCE IS BEING DISCUSSED NOW AND FOR THE TIME BEING IT WAS HIGHLY CHALLENGED SPACE FOR THE END OF APRIL HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE DEAD. THE IDEA IS TO TRY TO USE THESE PEOPLE IN THE TWO GROUPS OF 1,000 EACH. THERE ARE ABOUT 2,000 ALREADY THERE WHO WILL BE INVOLVED.

DAY: YES.

DAY: WE ARE WORKING ON IT AND I THINK SOME PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE.

AT LEAST, THEY HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY ARE FOLLOWING UP THE THING.
KATZIKI: AND WILL DO WHAT THEY CAN TO MOVE THESE PEOPLE THROUGH. IN THAT CONNECTION, THERE WAS ONE VERY INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT. THERE WAS AN UNREA REPRESENTATIVE THERE, AND IT TOLD HIM THE SUMMARY OF YOUR CONVERSATION WITH GOVERNOR LEHMAN, HE KNEW NOTHING AT ALL ABOUT IT.
O' DIER: WELL, IT'S ALL RIGHT, HE WILL IN TIME. I WOULDN'T DISCUSS THAT NOW.
KATZIKI: I THINK THAT UNREA, I DON'T LIKE TO TELL THAT FELLOW OVER HERE. HIS NAME IS YOUNG BALL.
O' DIER: YES, DON'T DISCUSS THAT ANY FURTHER NOW, HERBERT. DON'T DISCUSS THAT ON THE TELEPHONE NOW.
KATZIKI: OKAY.
O' DIER: I WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT.
KATZIKI: ALL RIGHT.

IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY...DO YOU THINK THERE IS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THESE BULLOVA THINGS?
O' DIER: ARE YOU STILL INTERESTED IN THAT?
KATZIKI: WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT AS A KIND OF AN "ACE IN THE HOLE", BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO GET STUCK FOR CAPACITY IF WE FIND OUT THAT STUFF IS MOVING.
O' DIER: ALL RIGHT, I WILL LOOK INTO THAT RIGHT AWAY.
KATZIKI: ALL RIGHT.
O' DIER: HOW DOES IT STAND WITH GETTING THE SHIPMENT OF FOOD PARCELS AUGMENTED?
KATZIKI: THAT'S WORKING OUT BEAUTIFULLY.
O' DIER: I SEE. HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHEN THAT STUFF WILL START TO MOVE?
KATZIKI: I WOULD GIVE YOU ABOUT 30 DAYS, HERBERT. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF GOOD SUCCESS ON THAT AND WE ARE WORKING VERY FAST ON IT.
O' DIER: I SEE. IF NECESSARY WE CAN START TO BORE COOL STUFF, I WILL DISCUSS THAT FURTHER HERE IN CASE WE NEED IT. YOU KEEP US INFORMED.
MR. KATZKI AND MR. O'DYER

29 March 1945

PARIS 6-0-1

KATZKI: MR. O'DYER, I'M THINKING THAT FURTHER HERE IN CASH WE THINK IT IS IMPERATIVE

IF YOU NEED THAT, BUT YOU WANT, WE'LL HAVE FOOD THERE FOR YOU BEFORE YOU

HAVE EXHAUSTED YOUR STOCKPILES.

KATZKI: I SEE. ALL RIGHT, NOW HERE IS MCCLELLAND, I'M GOING TO PUT HIM ON.

O'DYER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, HERBERT, THIS IS BEAUTIFUL.

KATZKI: THAT'S ALL RIGHT, AND GENERAL, DO YOU HAVE ANY NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR US?

O'DYER: NO, JUST WHAT YOU SAID. MCCLELLAND TO GO TO BERLIN, YOU AND I TO STAY

THERE AS LONG AS YOU'RE NEEDED, THEN ONE OF YOU TO GO INTO HIM AND HELP HIM

OUT.

KATZKI: ALL RIGHT. JUST A MINUTE, I'M GOING TO PUT MCCLELLAND ON.

O'DYER: THANK YOU.

MCCLELLAND: HELLO, GENERAL.

O'DYER: CONGRATULATIONS MR. MCCLELLAND. HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

MCCLELLAND: VERY WELL, THANK YOU. I THINK WE'VE GOTTEN REASONABLE SUCCESS

FROM OUR CONVERSATIONS HERE, IN VIEW OF THE RECENT MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS.

THAT MORE OR LESS INHIBITS ANY POSSIBILITY OF GETTING TRUCKS, BUT I AM

GOING BACK TO BERLIN TOMORROW MORN.

O'DYER: YES.

MCCLELLAND: AND I WILL PROBABLY BE BACK THERE TOMORROW NIGHT AND AM SENDING WIRE

AHEAD TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS TO GET THE GAS GOING. THAT IS WE HAVE

A PROMISE FROM THE SHAPF TRANSPORTATION PEOPLE HERE TO HOOK ON TO

HERE THE ALLIANCES, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE IS GETTING FOR PRISONERS OF

WAR, 2,000 GALLONS A WEEK AND THE SHAPF PEOPLE HERE HAVE GIVEN US A LETTER

STATING THAT FACT AND WITH THAT LETTER IN GENEVA I THINK WE CAN GET AN IMMEDIATE

ADVANCE OF GASOLINE.

O'DYER: YES.

MCCLELLAND: WHICH WILL GET SOME OF THESE TRUCKS ROLLING WITHIN THE NEXT TEN

DAYS.

O'DYER: BEAUTIFUL.

MCCLELLAND: AND I PROMISED TO DELIVER US THE TIRES ON THE PAPYRUS

BEFORE TUESDAY AT NOON, AND I'M SENDING AHEAD THIS AFTERNOON TO THE INTER-

ATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SEND A TRUCK UP TO PICK THOSE TIRES UP.
MR KATZEN AND MR O'DYER

PARIS 4-2-45
23 March 1946

O'DYER: YES.

MCCLAND: SO, I WILL PUSH, IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE, IN SWITZERLAND TO RELEASE THESE SIX TRUCKS WITH THOSE TIRES, AND HAVING THAT IN THE TITLES, EVEN THOUGH IT'S A SMALL NUMBER, SUCH STRATEGIC POINT, AND OF COURSE, THE AIRSPACE IN SWITZERLAND, AS FAR AS THE ARMY IS CONCERNED, IS IMPROVING DAILY blankets with blankets that they are less and less likely to be behind THE RIGHT BALL AND THEY WILL LOOSEN UP A LITTLE ON SOME OF THEIR TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT AND FUEL HAYES, EVEN.

O'DYER: BEAUTIFUL.

MCCLAND: AND THEN THERE WERE A FEW IRRONS IN THE PINE ON OBTAINING TRUCKS COMMERCIALY IN SWITZERLAND.

O'DYER: YES.

MCCLAND: SO I THINK WE WILL GET ALL 150 ONS OF NRO STRIP. NOT OUT ALREADY ON RAILROAD, BUT WE HAVE VERY LITTLE ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL REALLY GET THERE SO WE DIDN'T PUT TOO MUCH ON.

O'DYER: NOW, MR. MCCLAND, IF YOU SHOULD NEED MORE TITLES AND YOU WANT US TO PURCHASE THEM HERE, WE'D LIKE TO KNOW THE SIZES.

MCCLAND: YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW THE TYPE OF WHAT?

O'DYER: OF TITLES. IF YOU WANT US TO PURCHASE TITLES FOR YOU, I DON'T KNOW THAT WE CAN DO IT, BUT BEFORE WE DO IT WE WOULD HAVE TO KNOW WHAT THE SIZE OF THE TITLES THAT YOU WANT.

MCCLAND: TITLES, AS SOON AS I GET BACK I WILL GET THAT ON THAT AND SEND IT OFF TO YOU THEN IN DURABILITY.

O'DYER: HOW ABOUT THOSE 12 TON TRUCKS THAT YOU HAD? YOU HAD SIX TRUCKS IN SWITZERLAND, DID YOU HAVE TITLES FOR THEM?

MCCLAND: I'M NOT GOTTING YOU VERY CLEARLY, GENERAL.

O'DYER: THERE WERE SIX TRUCKS THAT YOU RECEIVED IN SWITZERLAND.

MCCLAND: YES.

O'DYER: DID YOU HAVE TITLES FOR THEM OR DID YOU NEED TITLES FOR THEM?

MCCLAND: WE GOT THEM WITHOUT TITLES, THEY DIDN'T REQUIRE TITLES, BUT THE NUMBER OF TRUCKS THAT CAN BE OBTAINED THAT WAY IS VERY LIMITED AND WE PROBABLY COULD ONLY USE THEM ON ONE OR TWO HAULS.

O'DYER: I SEE.

DECLASIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72

By R.H. Parks Date SEP 19 1972 - 6 -
MR. KATZKI AND MR. O'TIER

MC CLELLAND: "SINCE THE SWISS COMMERCIAL FIRMS WON'T RISK THEM ANY LONGER THAT THAT.

O'TIER: "WELL, ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE.

MC CLELLAND: "WELL, I HOPE WE CAN KEEP IT UP, ESPECIALLY AT THIS CRITICAL MOMENT, BECAUSE THIS IS SORT OF THE LAST LAP NOW. I HOPE THAT THE ARMY REALLY FINISHES IT OFF FOR US, BECAUSE THAT'S THE ONLY FINAL SOLUTION, BUT IF WE CAN GET IN BENDED THERE AND SAVE A FEW OF THOSE PEOPLE, WHY THAT'S WHAT WE ARE REALLY INTERESTED IN DOING NOW.

O'TIER: "SPLENDID.

MC CLELLAND: "I THINK MR. MATHEW WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU AGAIN JUST FOR A MINUTE BEFORE WE CUT OFF.

O'TIER: "ALL RIGHT.

MC CLELLAND: "WELL, GENERAL, I HOPE I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF GETTING BACK TO WASHININTON AND MAKING YOUR ACQUAINTANCE PERSONALLY ONE OF THESE MONTHS.

O'TIER: "THANK YOU, AND I HOPE IT IS SOON, MR. MC CLELLAND, I CERTAINLY WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU.

MC CLELLAND: "THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOODBYE.

O'TIER: "GOODBYE.

MANN: "SAY, GENERAL.

O'TIER: "YES, JIM.

MANN: "I WROTE KATZKI A LITTLE NOTE, SAYING I WANTED TO SAY ANOTHER WORD. I THINK HE HAS COVERED MOST OF THAT. I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT THE GASOLINE CALLED "EXTRA PURPOSES" IS BEING DELIVERED NOW, AND THAT WE ARE GETTING THOSE TANKS ON TUESDAY, AND THAT THE ARMY OVER THERE HAS BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE.

O'TIER: "JIM, WE WOULD LIKE, IF POSSIBLE, IF ONE OF YOU IS GOING TO BEEN, THAT YOU REMAIN IN PARIS AND KATZKI GO TO BEEN, WHEN THE TIME COMES.

MANN: "I DIDN'T GET THAT GENERAL.

O'TIER: "WE WOULD LIKE, IF ONE OF YOU HAVE TO GO TO BEEN, SWITZERLAND, WE WOULD LIKE THAT YOU REMAIN IN PARIS AND KATZKI GO TO BEEN.

MANN: "YES, HOW LONG DO YOU WANT ME TO REMAIN HERE, GENERAL?

O'TIER: "AS LONG AS YOU THINK, YOU'LL GET A CABLE FROM US ON THAT.

MANN: "I SEE. THEN AFTER THE PARIS THING IS OVER, DO YOU WANT ME TO GO ON NO RIGHT
O’Dyer: No, I want Katzki to go to Berlin.
Mann: I say that after the Paris job is over do you want me to go ahead, to

O’Dyer: No, you stand by and you will get a cable from us in a day or two.
Mann: Okay, General.
O’Dyer: Telling you what to do.
Mann: Okay, and General, would you just have Florence call our families and say

That you talked with us and we’re okay

O’Dyer: She’s sitting beside me here, Jim.
Mann: I see, well, just give the rest the regards of all of us, and tell her to
call our families and tell them that we’re getting along fine.

O’Dyer: That will be done.
Mann: Okay, I think that’s all, General, unless some of the other boys

have something, just a minute.

Katzki: This is Katzki again, there’s nothing more except to say good bye to

you, General, we’ll help get out the blank and see what we can pull out of

the hat.

O’Dyer: Good bye, Jim. Good luck.
Katzki: Good bye.
INCOMING

MR KATZKI AND MR O'NEIL

THIS IS MANN SPEAKING FIRST. GENERAL, THE ARMY WAS KIND ENOUGH TO PUT FACILITIES AT OUR DISPOSAL, WE THOUGHT WE HAD BETTER CALL YOU UP AND TELL YOU HOW THINGS WERE GOING.

O'NEIL: WE HAVE SEEN GENERAL GALLAND, C-IN-C, ON THREE OCCASIONS, AND HE SAYS THAT IT IS UTTERLY IMPOSSIBLE TO GIVE US ANY TRUCKS AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF THE MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS. AS MUCH AS HE WOULD LIKE TO, HE CAN'T BECAUSE ELSEWHERE. OF THE MILITARY NECESSITY FOR USING THEM. HE HAS GIVEN US 2,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE A WEEK AND HE HAS GIVEN US 30 TIRES, 30 TRUCK TIRES, AND THOSE 30 TRUCK TIRES WILL MAKE SIX ARMY TRUCKS AVAILABLE, FAST TRUCKS. THE 2,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE AND OIL AND GREASE, WE CAN USE THAT WE THINK, MIND YOU, WE THINK FOR SOME FRENCH TRUCKS WHICH HAVE TURNED OVER TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS IN SWITZERLAND. THESE ARE BRAND NEW FRENCH TRUCKS, THREE TON CAPACITY.

O'NEIL: HOW MANY?

MANN: WE DON'T KNOW. WE THINK WE CAN GET ENOUGH TO USE UP OUR FUEL.

O'NEIL: 2,000 GALLONS A WEEK?

MANN: BUT WE ARE UNABLE TO SAY JUST HOW MANY TIRES WE CAN HAUL BECAUSE AT THIS TIME WE DON'T KNOW EXACTLY THE LENGTH OF THE VOYAGE THAT EACH TRUCK WOULD TAKE. BUT IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING THESE TRUCKS AND WE THINK WE WILL BE, THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO USE UP OUR FUEL. NOW IT IS POSSIBLE, I THINK, GENERAL, THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO GET THIS FUEL WITHOUT.

O'NEIL: IF WE FIND OUT THAT WE HAVE TRUCKS ENOUGH TO BURN IT. AS SOON AS WE HAVE GONE UP TO SWITZERLAND AND TRIED THIS THING OUT, AND SEE HOW WE STAND, AND ARE ABLE TO REPORT SOMETHING CONCRETE, WE ARE GOING TO SHOOT A WIRE TO YOU, BECAUSE WE CAN GET ANY MORE GAS, AN AUTHORIZATION FROM THE WAR DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE TO COME THROUGH. THAT, OF COURSE, IS SOMETHING THAT YOU WILL HAVE TO OBTAIN.

O'NEIL: WELL, JIM, WE WOULDN'T, OF COURSE, ASK THE WAR DEPARTMENT FOR THAT AUTHORIZATION UNTIL YOU NOTIFIED US THAT YOU HAD THE TRUCKS AND NEEDED IT.

MANN: THAT'S RIGHT. WE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO, BECAUSE WE WANT TO GO THERE.
MR. KATZKI AND MR. O'DYER

MAN: FIRST AND BEST JUST HOW WE STAND ON WHAT WE HAVE.

O'DYER: WE WILL WAIT FOR YOU TO TELL US WHEN YOU WANT THEM.

MAN: THAT'S RIGHT.

O'DYER: ALL RIGHT.

MAN: I WANT TO MAKE THIS POINT, THAT GENERAL GILLAND HAS BEEN VERY SYMPATHETIC HERE, HE HAS BEEN VERY NICE TO US, ALL THE PEOPLE IN G-4 HAVE.

O'DYER: YOU CERTAINLY HAVE.

MAN: YOU WILL HEAR MORE FROM US A LITTLE LATER ON. JUST A MINUTE. KATZKI AND NO GILLAND BOTH WANT TO SAY SOMETHING TO YOU. THEY'VE GOT OTHER POINTS ON THIS THING THEY WANT TO TAKE UP.

O'DYER: ALL RIGHT, JIM. THANKS VERY MUCH.

KATZKI: GENERAL, ONE OR TWO THINGS, PERHAPS, WHICH YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE OVER FOR US. MAN NAME OVER HERE, THINK YOU KNOW THE NAME.

O'DYER: YES, I KNOW HIM.

KATZKI: REBER SENT A TELEGRAM OVER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON MAY 28 IN CONNECTION WITH THESE 100 TRUCKS WHICH ARE SUPPOSED TO BE TRANSMISSION FOR PRISONERS OF WAR PACKAGES, ONLY FOR PRISONERS OF WAR FOR ALLIES, YOU SEE?

O'DYER: YES.

KATZKI: NOW, REBER, IN HIS TELEGRAM TO THE DEPARTMENT, ASKED WHETHER IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO USE SOME OF THE SPACE ON THESE TRUCKS FOR ALLIED INTERNEES, THAT IS ALLIED PEOPLE IN CONCENTRATION CAMPS AND ALLIED PEOPLE OVER ON THE ROAD, WHO ARE BEING MOVED ABOUT. REBER, UNTIL THE PRESENT TIME, HAS RECEIVED NO RESPONSE TO THAT WIRE.

O'DYER: WE'LL CHECK ON THAT.

KATZKI: THAT'S RIGHT, AND IF YOU POSSIBLY CAN GET A FAVORABLE ANSWER OUT OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US TO GET AN ALLOCATION ON THOSE AMERICAN RED CROSS TRUCKS, WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM WASHINGTON REBER CAN'T DO A THING.
MR KATZKI AND MR O'DYER

O'DYER: YES.

KATZKI: He sent that wire out even before we came over at the International Red Cross, I believe, and I think we can give it a push possibly, and get some of his space allocated to us.

O'DYER: That's fine, Herbert, we will try and do that at our end.

KATZKI: Very good. If you get a favorable answer, or any kind of an answer on it, let us know what it is so that when we go back to talk to them, we can talk to him in case the response is affirmative.

O'DYER: How long will you be in Paris?

KATZKI: Well, I guess I'll go back to Switzerland tomorrow in order to get busy on some of the parts having to do with Switzerland, and then and I am going to stay here in Paris to see that some of these things get moving.

O'DYER: Good.

KATZKI: After they get moving, John and I together, or one of us, will go over to Switzerland depending upon how things are going. One of us may have to remain here to keep pushing around, you know?

O'DYER: I think that's splendid.

KATZKI: Yes, we'll see what happens.

We had a little conference yesterday with Army G-5, with the U.N.R.R.A., and some others about the movement of these 2,000 people out of Switzerland. That business is being discussed now and for the time being it has been, **REDACTED** chartered space for the end of April has been assigned to the movement. The idea is to try to move these people in two groups of 1,000 each. There are about 2,080 altogether who will be involved.

O'DYER: Yes.

KATZKI: The Army is working on it and I think some progress has been made. At least, they have indicated that they are following up on the thing.
MR. KATZKI AND MR. O'DYER

KATZKI: AND WILL BE WHAT THEY CAN TO MOVE THESE PEOPLE THROUGH. IN THAT CONNECTION,

THERE WAS ONE VERY INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT. THERE WAS AN UNRRA REPRESENTATIVE

THERE, AND HI HIM THE SUMMARY OF YOUR CONVERSATION WITH GOVERNOR LEHMAN.

HE KNEW NOTHING AT ALL ABOUT IT.

O'DYER: WELL, IT'S ALL RIGHT. HE WILL IN TIME. I WOULDN'T DISCUSS THAT NOW.

KATZKI: I THINK THAT UNRRA, I DON'T LIKE TO TELL THAT FELLOW OVER HERE. HIS

NAME IS YOUJDALL.

O'DYER: YES. DON'T DISCUSS THAT ANY FURTHER NOW, HEREFORE. DON'T DISCUSS THAT

ON THE TELEPHONES NOW.

KATZKI: OKAY.

O'DYER: I WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT.

KATZKI: ALL RIGHT.

IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY... DO YOU THINK THERE IS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THESE

BULOVA BRICKS?

O'DYER: ARE YOU STILL INTERESTED IN THAT?

KATZKI: WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT AS A KIND OF AN "ACE IN THE HOLE", BECAUSE

WE DON'T WANT TO GET STUCK FOR CAPACITY IF WE FIND OUT THAT STUFF IS MOVING.

O'DYER: ALL RIGHT. I WILL LOOK INTO THAT RIGHT AWAY.

KATZKI: ALL RIGHT.

HOW DOES IT STAND WITH GETTING THE SHIPMENT OF FOOD PARCELS APPROVED?

O'DYER: THAT'S WORKING OUT BEAUTIFULLY.

KATZKI: I SEE. HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHEN THAT STUFF WILL START TO MOVE?

O'DYER: I WOULD GIVE YOU ABOUT 30 DAYS, ESSENTIALLY. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF GOOD SUCCESS

ON THAT AND WE ARE WORKING VERY FAST ON IT.

KATZKI: I SEE. IF NECESSARY WE CAN START TO BORROW ON SOME OF THIS STUFF.

O'DYER: I WILL DISCUSS THAT FURTHER HERE IN CASE WE NEED IT. YOU KEEP US

INFORMED.
MR. KATZKI AND MR. O'NEILL

O'NEILL: I THINK WE DISCUSS WHAT PURPOSE HERE IN CAUCUS-WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT
IF YOU NEED THAT, BUT YOU WANT, WE'LL HAVE FOOD THERE FOR YOU BEFORE YOU
HAVE EXAMINED YOUR SHOOPLES.

KATZKI: I SEE. ALL RIGHT, HOW HERE IS MOORELAND, I'M GOING TO PUT HIM ON.

O'NEILL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, HERBIE, THIS IS BEAUTIFUL.

KATZKI: THAT'S ALL RIGHT, AND GENERAL, DO YOU HAVE ANY NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR US?

O'NEILL: NO, JUST WHAT YOU SAID, MOORELAND TO GO TO BERN, YOU AND JIM TO STAY
HERE AS LONG AS YOU'RE NEEDED, THEN ONE OF YOU TO GO INTO HIM AND HELP HIM
OUT.

KATZKI: ALL RIGHT. JUST A MINUTE, I'M GOING TO PUT MOORELAND ON.

O'NEILL: THANK YOU.

MOORELAND: HELLO, GENERAL.

O'NEILL: CONGRATULATIONS MR. MOORELAND, HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

MOORELAND: VERY WELL, THANK YOU. I THINK WE'VE GOVERED REASONABLE SUCCESS
FROM OUR CONVERSATIONS HERE, IN VIEW OF THE RECENT MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS.

O'NEILL: THAT MORE OR LESS ELIMINATED ANY POSSIBILITY OF GETTING VENURES BUT I AM
GOING BACK TO BERN TOMORROW MORNING.

O'NEILL: YES.

MOORELAND: AND WE MAY POSSIBLY BE BACK THERE TOMORROW NIGHT AND AN SPEEDING WEBS
AHEAD TO THE INFORMATION RED OXES TO GET THE GAS GOING, THAT IS WE HAVE
A PROMISE FROM THE SHMK TRANSPORTATION WE PEOPLE HERE TO HELP ON TO
PREPARE THE ALLOKARES THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE IS GETTING FOR PRESERVATION
OF WAR, 2,000 GALLONS A WEEK, AND THE SHMK PEOPLE HERE HAVE GIVEN US A LETTER
STATING THAT THEY AND THAT LETTER IN GENERAL I THINK I CAN GET AN IMMEDIATE
ADVANCE OF CARBONEL.

O'NEILL: YES.

MOORELAND: WHICH WILL GET SOME OF THESE FRENCH VEHICLES ROLLING WITHIN THE NEXT FEW
DAYS.

O'NEILL: BEAUTIFUL.

MOORELAND: AND S. O'NEILL PROMISED TO DELIVER US THE WRDS ON THE FIRST
QUESTION TODAY AT NOON, AND I'M VEERING AHEAD THIS AFTERNOON TO THE EXTREM
NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SEND A SPOCK TO HOLD THOSE TIGHTS UP.

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By E.H. Parks Date: SEP 19 1972 - 5 -
MR. MCKELVIE AND MR. O'NEILL

14 MARCH 1945

NAZI SURRENDER IN SWITZERLAND, AS FAR AS THE ARMY IS CONCERNED IS IMPROVING DAILY BLOSSES THEIR REALIZATIONS THAT THEY ARE LESS AND LESS LIKELY TO BE BOUND THE EIGHT HOURS AND THREE WOULD LOOK UP A LITTLE IN SOME OF THEIR TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT AND FUEL MATERIEL. EVEN.

O'NEILL: READINESS.

NAZI SURRENDER AND THEN THERE WERE A FEW IRONS IN THE FIRE ON OBTAINING TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT AND FUEL MATERIEL IN SWITZERLAND.

O'NEILL: YES.

NAZI SURRENDER: SO I THINK WE WILL GET ALL 150 TONS OF STUFF. MOVED OUT ALREADY ON SATURDAY, BUT WE HAVE VERY LITTLE ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL REALLY GET THERE SO WE DIDN'T PUT IT IN MUCH ON.

O'NEILL: NOW, MR. MCKELVIE, IF YOU SHOULD NEED MORE IRONS AND YOU WANT US TO PROCEED FROM HERE YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW THE SIZES.

NAZI SURRENDER: YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW THE SIZE OR SMALL.

O'NEILL: OF IRONS. IF YOU WANT US TO PROCEED FOR YOU, I DON'T KNOW THAT WE CAN DO IT, BUT BEFORE WE DO IT WE WOULD HAVE TO KNOW WHAT THE SIZE OF THE IRONS THAT YOU WANT.

NAZI SURRENDER: FIRST, AS SOON AS I GET BACK, I WILL GET THAT ON THE AND SEND IT OFF TO YOU THEN IMMEDIATELY.

O'NEILL: HOW ABOUT THOSE 12 TON IRONS THAT YOU HAD? YOU HAD SIX IRONS IN SWITZERLAND, DID YOU HAVE TONES FOR THEM?

NAZI SURRENDER: I'M NOT GETTING YOU VERY CLEARLY, GENERAL.

O'NEILL: THERE WERE SIX IRONS THAT YOU HAD IN SWITZERLAND.

NAZI SURRENDER: YES.

O'NEILL: DID YOU HAVE TONES FOR THEM OR DID YOU NEED TONES FOR THEM?

NAZI SURRENDER: WE GOT THEM WITHOUT TONES. THEY DIDN'T REQUIRE TONES, BUT THE NUMBER OF TONES THAT CAN BE OBTAINED THAT WAY IS VERY LIMITED AND WE PROBABLY COULD ONLY USE THEM ON ONE OR TWO Haul.
MR. NASH AND MR. O'DAY

NO CLElland: Since the Swiss commercial firms won't risk them any longer that that.
O'Day: Well, all right. Thank you very much and I congratulate you on the work
that you have done.

NO CLElland: Well, I hope we can keep it up, especially at this critical moment,
because this is sort of the last lap now. I hope that the Army really finishes it off for us, because that's the only final solution, but if we can get
1. Behind them and save a few of these people, why that's what we are really
interested in doing now.

O'Day: Splendid.

NO CLElland: I think many would like to talk to you again just for a minute before
we cut off.
O'Day: All right.

NO CLElland: Well, General, I hope I have the privilege of getting back to Wash-
ington and meeting your acquaintance personally once of these months.
O'Day: Thank you, and I hope to hear soon. Mr. No CLElland, I certainly want to
congratulate you.

NO CLElland: Thank you very much. Goodbye.
O'Day: Goodbye.

Nash: Say, General.
O'Day: Yes, Jim.

Nash: I wrote NASH a little note, saying I wanted to say another word. I
think he has covered most of that. I just wanted to point out that this
Gasoline called "Extra Purposes" in being delivered now, and that we are get-
ing them two times on Tuesday, and that when the Army over here has been very
generous.

O'Day: Jim, we would like, if possible, if one of you is going to Bern, that
you remain in Paris and NASH go to Bern, when the time comes.

Nash: I didn't get that General.

O'Day: We would like, if one of you have to go to Bern, Switzerland, we would
like that you remain in Paris and NASH go to Bern.

Nash: Yes, how long do you want me to remain here, NASH General?
O'Day: As long as you think, you'll give us a cable from us on that.

Nash: I feel, then after the Paris thing is over, do you want me to go on to Bern?
MR KATZKI AND MR O'NEILL

O'NEILL: NO, I WANT KATZKI TO GO TO BERN.

O'NEILL: I SAY THAT AFTER THE PARIS JOB IS OVER DO YOU WANT ME TO GO AHEAD, TO

O'NEILL: NO, YOU STAND BY AND YOU WILL GET A CABLE FROM US IN A DAY OR TWO.

O'NEILL: TELLS YOU WHAT TO DO.

O'NEILL: OKAY, AND GENERAL, WOULD YOU JUST HAVE ELOISE CALL OUR FAMILIES AND SAY

O'NEILL: THAT YOU TALKED WITH US AND WE'RE OKAY?

O'NEILL: SHE'S SITTING BesIDE ME HERE, JIM.

O'NEILL: I SEE. WELL, JUST GIVE THEM THE REMINDS OF ALL OF US, AND TELL HIM TO

O'NEILL: CALL OUR FAMILIES AND TELL THEM THAT WE'RE EXCITING ALONG FINE.

O'NEILL: THAT WILL BE DONE.

O'NEILL: OKAY. I THINK THAT'S ALL, GENERAL, UNLESS SOME Of THE OTHER OTHER BOYS

KATZKI: THIS IS KATZKI AGAIN, THERE'S NOTHING HERE EXCEPT TO SAY GOOD BY TO

KATZKI: YOU, GENERAL. WE'LL KEEP IN TOUCH HERE AND TELL WHAT WE CAN PULL OUT OF

KATZKI: GOOD BY, JIM. GOOD LUCK.

KATZKI: GOOD BY.

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date, SEP 10, 1972

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General O'Dwyer would like Secretary Morgenthau to know the latest developments in our program from Switzerland.

Mr. Mann, Mr. Ketzl, and Mr. McClelland, who have been in Paris since March 25th negotiating with the military, telephoned the General today. They reported that they have had three conferences with General Maurice W. Gilland of 3-4 who has been extremely sympathetic and helpful. Because of military necessity at the present time, it is utterly impossible for the army to release trucks to us. However, arrangements were made for the immediate release of 2,000 gallons of gasoline a week with the necessary lubricating oil and for the release of 20 truck tires. This will make it possible for McClelland to continue negotiating for trucks in Switzerland and he is very hopeful that with gasoline and tires he will be able to get some Swiss army trucks. McClelland is returning to Bern, Switzerland, and hopes to have trucks rolling from Switzerland early next week.

I think the Secretary will be interested in knowing that James Mann appears to have done a wonderful job and the General is delighted that we were able to have his services for these negotiations in Paris. It is contemplated that Mann will stay on in Paris for a short while to finish up the negotiations.
INCOMING TELEGRAM

SECRETARY OF STATE

Dated March 23, 1945

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Secretary of State
Washington

US URGENT

March 23, 1945, 8:30 a.m.

FOR O'NEILL EISENBERG, MCELLELAND AND KITCHEN.

General Gilland's decision given us this morning
March 23 is that present operational requirements and
military necessity make it impossible for army to
release any trucks for Board's program.

Despite our energetic representations, Gilland,
although sympathetic to the program, stood his ground
on over-riding military necessity. We did secure
from Gilland a promise to provide 30 tires and tubes
calculated to release 5 Swiss trucks and 2000 gallons
of gasoline weekly if the IRC can arrange to transport
it to Switzerland in the same manner as gasoline for
PO's relief. We are now investigating this matter.

Gilland referred to the 100 trucks recently
made available to IRC under SHAEF instructions for
relief.

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By H. E. Parks Date SEP 19 1972
-2- 1519, March 29, 1 p.m. from Paris

relief deliveries to POW's in Germany. We suggested
that we attempt to secure an allocation of space on
these trucks. This question, however, must be cleared
with SHAPE since the trucks were earmarked for POW
service. Gilland is passing our problem back to
SHAPE with his suggestion as indicated. We shall
pursue the matter with SHAPE and the IRC delegate
in Paris.

According to latest reports, civil internes in
Germany and German occupied areas are in a very pre-
carious situation. As a result of military develop-
ments it is most likely that the Germans will withdraw
all feeding from internes who are not useful in their
war effort. Mortality is increasing. Camp populations
are being shifted from one area to another, on foot
and over long distances. Thousands are unable to
endure the rigors of these forced marches and are
succumbing. Unless transportation for food packages
is secured and these people are fed, they may not
receive even minimum food to sustain life.

We are following up every possibility both in
Paris and Bern for securing transportation. We
suggest: (1) You may wish to reopen question of
space
March 29, 1 p.m. from Paris.

space allocation with the American Red Cross since military developments may make impossible the fulfillment of their POW programs in various areas.

(2) You may wish to secure a directive to SHAEF that trucks be made available. (3) You may wish to send us some basis for p [•].

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(*) Omission serviced.

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space allocation with the American Red Cross since military developments may make impossible the fulfillment of their PCM programs in various areas. (2) You may wish to secure a directive to SHAEF that trucks be made available.

(3) You may wish to send us some basis for pursuing Bulova proposals, if you have no objection to our doing so.

We will report all developments.

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Correction: You may wish to send us some basis for pursuing Bulova proposal if you have no objection to our doing so. We will report all developments.
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The following for Howell McClelland is from War Refugee Board.

Reference your no. 1799 from Bern of March 26. Katzki is entirely at your disposal. Any arrangement you make with him will be satisfactory to Board. Advise Katzki that Andrus agrees.

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(Acting)

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By R. H. Parks Date SEP 19 1972
The following is for Russell McClelland from UNR Refugee Board.

Re your 1754 of March 24 from Bern.

We have today asked UNR's Olsen in Stockholm as follows:

[Telegram text repeated below]

We have turn over 40,000 parcels to UNR. In interest of getting as many parcels into Germany as rapidly as possible this appeared to be recommendable move of which I hope you approve. UNR

You are requested: 1) to make clear to UNR's Storck that these supplies are property of UNR, and 2) to make this transfer to either Swedish Red Cross or UNR as opposed UNR since former are in a position to effect actual deliveries internees Bergen-Belsen. UNR

In future in asking parts of these supplies available to distributors other than UNR, it is suggested that they be made UNR

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operations to which agencies who cannot directly make

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US URGENT

CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FOR ROSSWELL MCCLELLAND FROM WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Re your 1754 of March 24 from Bern

We have today cabled WRB's Olsen in Stockholm as follows:

"Repeated below is a portion of a telegram received from WRB's McClelland, Bern, re WRB's stockpile food parcels in Goteburg:

'On March 16 accordingly with my approval ICRC Geneva wired their Goteburg man authorizing him turnover 40,000 parcels to WJC. In interest of getting as many WRB parcels into Germany as rapidly as possible this appeared to me recommendable move of which I hope you approve.'

'You are requested: (1) to make clear to WJC's Storch that these supplies are property of WRB; and (2) to make this transfer to either Swedish Red Cross or SWCA as opposed WJC since former are in a position to effect actual deliveries internees Bergen-Belsen.'

In future in making parts of these supplies available to distributors other than ICRC, it is suggested that they be made available to such agencies as can actually effect delivery as opposed agencies who cannot directly do so.

12:20 p.m.
March 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Cohn, DaBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Miles
CABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, PARIS, FOR ROBERT MCCLELLAND FROM WAR REFUGEES BOARD

Re your 1754 of March 24 from Bern.

We have today cabled WRA's Olsen in Stockholm as follows:

"Repeater below is a portion of a telegram received from WRA's McClelland, Bern, re WRA's stockpile food parcels in Gotenburg:

"On March 16 accordingly with my approval IARO Geneva wired their Gotenburg man authorizing his turnover 40,000 parcels to WJC. In interest of getting as many WRA parcels into Germany as rapidly as possible this appeared to me commendable move of which I hope you approve."

"You are requested: (1) to make clear to WJC's storehouse that these supplies are property of WRA; and (2) to make this transfer to either Swedish Red Cross or IARO as opposed to WJC since former are in a position to effect actual deliveries internment Bergen-Belsen."

In future in making parts of these supplies available to distributors other than IARO, it is suggested that they be made available to such agencies as can actually effect delivery as opposed agencies who cannot directly do so.

12:20 p.m.
March 27, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Cohn, DeBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Dwyer, Files.

-FJMcGhina - 3/27/45
According to report from IRC delegate in Gothenburg he has received 37336 cartons containing War Refugee Board food parcels. This is our reply for WRF in reply to Department's 496, March 16, 4 p.m. Each carton contains 8 food parcels weighing 3 kilos. Shipments of these parcels have been as follows:

3600 cartons have been sent to concentration camp at Hamburg, Neuengamme.

1600 cartons have been sent to concentration camp at Ravensbrueck.

2200 cartons have been sent to Luebeck for distribution to prisoners of war in compensation for standard food parcels sent to Norwegian civilians.

In addition to the foregoing 6554 cartons containing kosher food parcels have, after authorization from Genove, this past week been placed at disposal of local World Jewish Congress group for shipment to various concentration camps.
-2- #1272, March 28, 4 p.m., from Stockholm

Parcels are being shipped as rapidly as possible but transportation problems remain a serious obstacle.

JOHNSON

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Re 1462 from Paris dated March 27, 6 p.m. At end of last line delete "." and insert "there," making line read "regarding prospects for securing transportation there."

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By R. H. Parks Date SEP 19 1972
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Secretary of State,
Washington.

US URGENT
1462, March 27, 8 p.m.

FOR ODwyer-FROM McCLELLAND AND KATZKI.

We had second conference with General Gilland today again emphasising points discussed March 25 with McClelland providing additional details. General Gilland emphasized mounting army transportation requirements arising from recent advances final decision delayed for this reason. We are continuing to insist on line discussed with Katzki underlining urgency and immediacy of situation. Gilland has promised answer March 28. McClelland advised you from Switzerland regarding prospects for securing transportation.

CAFFERY

MWF
Secretary of State
Washington

1451, March 26, 10 P.M.
FOR G DROG WE B (REPEAT WE B) FROM MANN AND KATZKI

He arrived afternoon March 24, started negotiations with Brigadier General Gill and G (repeat G) —4, March 25. Letter familiar views War Department through telegrams. He stated that it was now necessary clear matter Army G (repeat G) —1 for integration their program which he plans to do today. We will advise you of developments. McClelland has not yet arrived. Please advise families of our safe arrival.

CAFFERY

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This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government Agency. (Revised)

Secretary of State
Washington

1704, March 24, 11 a.m.

FOR WRB FROM MCCLELLAND

Department's 1083 March 16

Concerning on-shipment of our 224,328 WRB parcels at Gotoborg ICRC recently informed me that on March 16, two railroad cars containing 5,400 WRB parcels each left Gotoborg for women's concentration camp at Ravensbrueck and on March 17 two more railroad cars left for Hamburg-Huogenmoe concentration camp containing 4,800 packages each. This makes total of 20,000 parcels which have gone forward lately.

When Kubowitzki of World Jewish Congress was in Switzerland early in March he informed me that Storch WJC man in Stockholm was requesting funds to purchase additional foodstuffs in Sweden to send to Jewish internedcs in Germany having been able forward his original stock to Bergen-Belsen and Theresienstadt. Since we had a large
2-3/1944, March 24, 11 a.m. from Born

a large unused stock of WRB parcels in Gothenburg which
was not moving it seemed unnecessary to me that WJC
should have to purchase still more food, I therefore
offered Kubowitzki to release 40,000 WRB "K" parcels
to WJC in Sweden for delivery to Jewish detainees
particularly in Bergen-Belsen through the satisfactory
shipping channels which Storch seemed to have worked
out with Swedish YMCA. On March 16 accordingly with
my approval ICRC Geneva wired their Gothenburg man
authorizing him turnover 40,000 parcels to WJC. In
interest of getting as many WRB parcels into Germany
as rapidly as possible this appeared to me recommendable
move of which I hope you approve.

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CORRECTION

DSH  March 24, 1945
This telegram must be
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Telegram 1754, March 24, 11 a.m., from Bern reading
"FOR VISA FROM NEUTRAL LAND Department's 1083, March 16"
should be numbered 1765 according to advice from Bern.

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FROM: Headquarters Communications Zone, European Theater of Operations,
U.S. Army, Paris, France

TO: War Department

No: E 24347

Date: 23 March 1945

The cable for Eisenhower signed by de Gaulle.

Acknowledgment is made of your cable no. WAR 24660. Neither
McClelland nor McCormac has yet arrived in Paris; this is in accordance
with information received from the Joint Distribution Agency (in Dr.
Greenleaf's office).

ACTION: Joe McCloy

INFO: OIR, G-2 (Refugee Board) CAD, Mr. Patterson.

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PARAPHRASE

FROM: Headquarters Communications Zone, European Theater of Operations,
US Army, Paris, France

TO: War Department

No.: E 24137

Date: 23 March 1945

To Somervell for McCloy signed Eisenhower.

Acknowledgment is made of your cable no. WAR 56650. Neither McCallon or Katzki has yet arrived in Paris; this is in accordance with information received from the Joint Distribution Agency (in Dr. Greenleaf's Office).

ACTION: No. McCloy

INFO: OPD, O-C (War Refugee Board) CAD, Mr. Patterson.

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Subject: 24498 (23 Mar 45)

Address:
War Refugee Board,
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Washington 25, D. C.

Date: 23 March 1945

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Secretary of State, Washington, March 23, 1945

US. URGENT

1739, March 23, 4 p.m.

FOR OWEN OF WHIP FROM MCCLELLAND.

Department's 1148, WRB# 468, March 21.

According your instructions I shall leave for Paris at soonest possible moment although with prevailing transportation difficulties I probably cannot reach there before March 25 or 26.

I will contact Brigadier General Maurice Gallard of S'AEF G-4 immediately on arrival.

Kindly advise me of Embassy Paris approximate date Katzki's arrival.

HARRISON

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Secretary of State,
Washington.

1740, March 23, 6 p.m.

FOR YRE PRO ROCHELLEND,

Department's 1090, WNB'S 455 March 16,

Efforts to secure trucks here and move WNB parcels from Switzerland in collaboration with ICRC's Division of Special Assistance (DSA) for unassimilated persons are now meeting with small success.

Six twelve-ton trucks are being rented from private concern and will be available next week to transport relief supplies including WNB supplies to Buchenwald and Vienna area exclusively for civil detainees.

We were also able assist Stenam of Union Rabbis rent four trucks commercially which will leave next days for Bergen Belsen with Jewish Easter bread and other relief supplies.

Price such trucks is very high—one franc eighty per mile plus stiff insurance charges but we felt it worthwhile.

As reported in Legation's 1687, March 21 YWCA has...
-2-7140, March 23, 6 p.m., from Bern.

Cabled twelve wood burning trucks now in Germany to ICRC DSA. These trucks have not been located in confusion but they ought begin turn up next week.

French Government has sent 100 new three-ton Renault trucks to Geneva for ICRC's use. French are quite willing that eight or ten if not more be used exclusively for deliveries to their civil detainees if fuel can be made available. French, however, can send little or no fuel themselves and present SHAER deliveries are solely for shipments to POWs.

On March 23 or 24 one railway car containing 1170 TRB parcels and other relief supplies from Union Rabbis and JDC will go forward to Theresienstadt and two other cars containing 4,900 TRB parcels plus JDC material will be shipped to Vienna area. We sincerely hope they will get through.

More trucks can be rented in Switzerland if tires can be obtained; and I shall, of course, discuss this possibility with SHAER. I understand that AMROSS plans ship tires to Toulon for Switzerland on next boat. Could you not squeeze in a few TRB tires for ICRC--DSA?

HARRISON

BB
Dated March 23, 1945
Rec'd 9:30 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

1729, March 23, 5 p.m.

FOR O'DAYER WSB FROM HELLELAND.

Department's 998, WSB's 459, March 9 and 1900

HAR'S 466, March 16.

Enclosed your telephone call March 21. I regret that illness prevented my going to Paris immediately on receipt your 998 but I was laid up with flu until March 20.

It would be most helpful to have Katsiki in Paris in first place actively to follow up negotiations with UNRRA concerning allocation trucks, tires and fuel for UNRRA relief and evacuation work in Germany and secondly to accelerate evacuation from Switzerland of "Hungarian" group of 1672 refugees as well as some 700 stateless from the Berne convoy. Slowness with which this has been moving is beginning to have unfavorable reaction in dealings with Swiss. It is most important at this critical time that at least a few hundred of the refugees be moved on as promptly as possible in view of conceivable arrival in Switzerland shortly of unknown numbers of new refugees. Katsiki could perform most valuable service as UNRRA liaison and to handle such matters now and in future with UNRRA in France and in Caserta and USBR.

If I had someone to do this outside work who could assist me in Switzerland for a week or two from time to time, I could continue swinging the job at this end without need of your sending a special UNRRA man to assist me full time here.

I shall discuss this whole question with Katsiki and would appreciate your opinion. Please wire me in Paris.

HARRISON

Miss Chevancey (for the Sec'y) Cohn, Dubois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchson, McCormack, O'Dayre, Files.
US URGENT

McClelland sends the following for O'Dwyer, WB2, and the
Department.

I refer herewith to the Legation's telegrams of March 6,
and March 21, nos. 1421 and 1537 respectively.

It has unfortunately not been possible for me to report
sooner on results of recent discussions with German authorities
by ICRC President Burckhardt, because of illness.

Burckhardt first met with Kaltenbrunner of SS on March 12
in the Vorarlberg region between Swiss border and Innsbruck. A
personal letter was sent by Himmler stating that he was prevented
by military duties from being present and delegating to Kalten-
brunner full power.

On March 13 conversations were continued in Kreuzlingen,
Switzerland, with Kaltenbrunner plus Berber, Director of Foreign
Political Institute of Foreign Ministry, and Windeske of German
FD, and on March 14 with Berber alone in Zurich. For some
months now Berber has been in Switzerland and appears to be one
of Rosenberg's special contact men.

The main concession obtained from SS, as Burckhardt explained
the matter, is permission for delegates of ICRC to be
stationed in all major camps for both "Schutzhäftlinge" (SH)
and POWs to supervise personally distributions of relief. SS
laid down one condition which was that such representatives of
ICRC not circulate particularly back and forth to Switzerland
but that they remain in these camps until the end of the war.
Since certain numbers of SH are being worked in War Industries,
this restriction is presumably on the grounds of military
security.

On the 21st of March, Burckhardt of ICRC reported to me
that the choice of appropriate delegates for these camp posts

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By R. H. Pack Date SEP 19 1972
was being actively pursued by the committee, and they will be
depatched as rapidly as possible into Germany.

There is willingness on the part of VG to allow deliveries
of relief of all types by truck or other means of transport to
SH irrespective of nationality or race. It was requested by
SS that any such relief distribution should be conducted di-
cretely, especially any relief given to marching columns along
the roads, in view of difficulties of food supply situation
for the Germans themselves.

With respect to evacuation of SH, final detailed authori-
sation covering specific persons whom ICRC will be permitted
to evacuate has not been obtained from Berlin as yet, although
the SS agreed in principle to allow the exit of women, children,
elderly and ill people irrespective of religion or race. An
answer was expected by ICRC by the 26th or 27th of March.

It was suggested by Burckhardt of ICRC that, in view of
danger of approaching front, inmates of women's concentration
camp of Ravensbrueck be among the first evacuated. This
camp is located on the main highway to Neustraessi approximately
70 kilometers north of Berlin and contains at least 30,000
women of principally Hungarian (Jewish), Polish, Norwegian,
Belgian, Czech, Dutch, French, Russian and other nationalities,
and it is definitely one of the bad camps.

It was stated by the Germans that transportation for any
such evacuations could not be supplied by them. Consequently,
it is planned by ICRC to utilize returning POW relief trucks,
although this will be a difficult and inadequate method of
effecting evacuation, especially persons who are ill.

The use by ICRC for evacuees of parcel ships returning
from Luebeck to Goteborg was not favored by the Germans who
stated that these waters were thickly mined and that they did
not wish to be held responsible for sinking any ships loaded
with evacuees.

The possibility of sending sanitary blocked train to
Ravensbrueck from Switzerland if and when final authorization
for the evacuation of this camp is given by the Germans, is
still being discussed with the Swiss authorities by ICRC,
although the Swiss are both reluctant to release such trans-
port equipment and doubt that train could get through under
the present chaotic state of German railroads which are being
continuously.
With respect to the question of evacuation of SH in general an attempt was made by Kaltenbrunner to create the impression that SH had really been only an executive organ throughout the next years of mass arrest and deportation of civilians to Germany from occupied countries and SH would be willing to allow useless SH to leave Germany now that food and housing situation was growing difficult within Germany.

It appears that B rocker of ICRC is working on some special scheme for evacuation of French SH who are to be exchanged for German civilians held by the French (I understand especially Brittle Germans taken in Alsace region by the French).

It is reported that French authorities are prepared to furnish 100 trucks to carry out this plan.

As soon as information regarding identity of first groups of SH whose evacuation will be permitted by the Germans is obtained from ICRC, I will report to WAD promptly.

In carrying on war Refuge Board can contribute to this double relief and evacuation program most effectively by (1) obtaining as many trucks and drivers as possible, and (2) organizing and placing into operation technique for evacuating from Switzerland such SH groups who may arrive there and who are non-combatant in Europe for the time being.
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WAR DEPARTMENT MESSAGE

FROM: War Department

TO: Headquarters, Communications Zone, European Theater of Operations, Paris, France

SUBJECT: WAR 56650

DATE: 21 March 1945

From McCoy to Eisenhower.

With reference to message number WAR 49934 of 8 March 1945, we have been advised by the War Refugee Board that within a few days Herbert Katzki will arrive at your headquarters to discuss reference cable subject. In these discussions, the War Refugee Board in Washington has asked James H. Dunn, War Refugee Board Representative in London, to assist Katzki. For the purpose of getting in touch with Brigadier General George C. Gilliland, G-4, Com Zone, ETO, instructions have been given to Katzki.

It has not been possible for the War Refugee Board to secure a report from McCollum. Have they come from Berlin to Paris?

ORIGINATOR: Mr. McCoy

INFORMATION: OPB, G-2 (War Refugee Board), CAD, Mr. Patterson, C of S

CL-NOT-56650 (War 45) DKG 2120072
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It has not been possible for the War Refugee Board to secure a report from McClelland. Has he come from Bern to Paris?

9-30-45
Cord L. Millen

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Originator: Mr. McCloy
Information: OD, G-2 (War Refugee Board), CAD, Mr. Patterson, G of S

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CLASSIFIED DOCUMENT RECEIPT
Since our telephone conversation of today, we have learned that your presence is needed in Paris for discussion with Brigadier General Curtis H. Willett, G-4. Accordingly, you are directed to proceed as early as possible there Paris and I am sure you will be on your way as soon as possible to develop and work out all details of segregation of trucking equipment and supplies referred to in paragraph No. 9 of Department's cable No. 998 of March 8.

As requested in our conversation, please keep those currently advised of all developments in this crucial and urgent program.

[Signature]

[Date: 3/21/43]

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State Dept. Letter: L11-72
Signed by R. H. Park Day SEP 19 1972
CABLE TO HARRISON, BERN, FOR MOULELLAND FROM O'DEYER, WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Since our telephone conversation of today, we have learned that your presence is needed in Paris for discussion with Brigadier General Maurice W. Gilland, G-4. Accordingly, you are directed to proceed to Paris at once where Katzki and Mann will join you as soon as possible to develop and work out all details of acquisition of trucking equipment and supplies referred to in paragraph No. 2 of Department's cable No. 998 of March 8.

As requested in our conversation, please keep Board currently advised of all developments in this crucial and urgent program.

THIS IS WSS BERN CABLE NO. 468

4:00 p.m.
March 21, 1945

Miss Chauncey (for the Sec'y), Cohn, DuBois, Gaston, Hodel, Hutchison, McCormack, O'Deayer, Files.

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General: Did you get our cable of March 9?
McClelland: Yes, I did. Unfortunately I have been out of the office for 10 days - ill with the "flu". Just got back this afternoon. Haven't been able to go to Paris.
General: That's what I wanted to tell you. We are sending a man there so you don't need to go there. We are sending a man from here. He will contact you when he gets there. That will save you that trip.
McClelland: You are sending a man to Paris?
General: He will get in touch with you when he gets there.
McClelland: Do you expect him to be there in a day or two? How soon do you think you/ go, Mr. McClelland?
General: I could plan to leave at the end of next week, Saturday.
McClelland: That would be too late, he will be there before then. He will contact you from there. We are also trying to get another man from London to help you.
McClelland: How about Katzki?
General: He is going to Paris — you will hear from him in a day or two. Have you been able to get any local trucks?
McClelland: We are still working on the proposition but it is not very promising.
General: Katzki will give you information on that point.
McClelland: There is one bright spot — — — — have been able to get a
promise of about 12 wood-burning trucks. They have not
been located yet but it is hoped they will be available
in about a week. They are wood-burning trucks but are
in good condition. It is awfully hard to get them from
the Swiss without tires.

General: We are going to help on that too from this end. Send
us around and tell us everything that you want us to
do from this end.

(Off the phone)

General: You stay there and work on local trucking and keep us
informed every day you can on what is going on. Katz
will give you a much fuller report than I can give you
now.