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Administrative Matters: Personnel

Warren, George

January 27, 1945

Dear George:

I can not leave the War Refugee Board without telling you how much I have appreciated your personal cooperation on the programs which have been of such great concern to both of us. I want you to know that I am deeply grateful for all your help and support.

It has been a real pleasure to work so closely with you and I wish you luck and success in your future work in this field.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mr. George L. Warren,
Department of State,
Washington, D. C.

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

August 19, 1944

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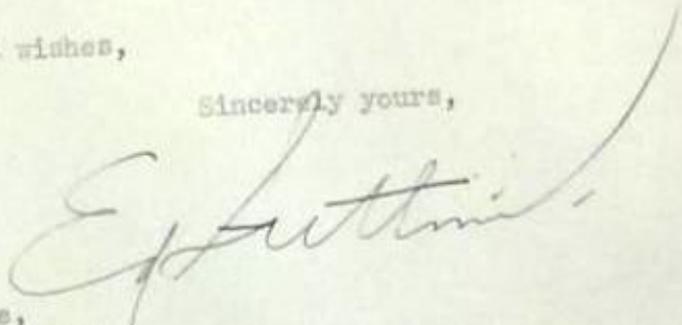
Dear John:

Thank you for your kind note of August 17 expressing your appreciation for George Warren's activities over the past seven months. I know that all of us in the Department feel that he has served a most helpful and constructive role in bringing the Board and the Department closer together in our mutual efforts on behalf of refugees.

I am taking the liberty of showing him your letter and I know he will appreciate it tremendously.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Mr. John Pehle,
War Refugee Board,
Executive Office of the President,
Washington, D. C.

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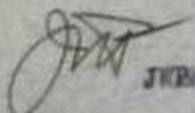
Dear Ed:

For a change, this is not an official letter of request, attention calling, or mild protest. It is simply a friendly note of appreciation of George Warren's sympathetic and competent help to the War Refugee Board over the past seven months. We all feel that George has been cooperative, constructive and genuinely helpful in all our efforts in behalf of refugees, and I should like the record to be marked accordingly.

Cardially,

(Initialed) J.W.P.

Honorable Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.,
Under Secretary of State.



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February 21, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES:

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Captain Strauss of the Navy called me today. He said that he had had a note from Ed Stettinius asking him to send me a letter giving his views on George Warren. Strauss said he preferred to give me his views orally.

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. A. Strauss', located in the lower right quadrant of the page.

Warren

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cc: Messrs. Hodel, Stewart, Luxford, DuBois, Lesser,
Friedman

JWPehls:lh

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WASHINGTON

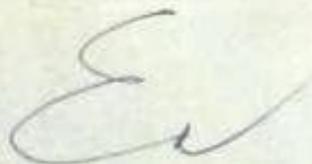
February 17, 1944

Dear John,

Commander Lewis Strauss has just told me he thinks George Warren will be an excellent man on the refugee matter. He has known him a long time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

February 15, 1944

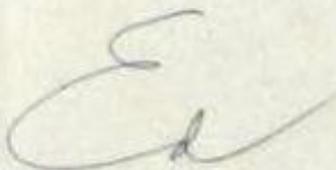
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Dear John,

Herewith is a self-explanatory
memorandum on the background of
George Warren.

Sincerely yours,



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

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : U - Mr. Stettinius

DATE: Feb. 14, 1944

FROM : WEA - Mr. Taft

SUBJECT: Mr. George Warren and War Refugee Board.

I recommend that Mr. George Warren be appointed as Adviser on Refugees and Displaced Persons in WEA, at P-8, \$8,000. He is now a consultant in the State Department at \$25.00 a day, which is roughly the same compensation.

The attached memorandum to Mr. Raynor gives his background. I would contemplate that he would perform these functions:

1. Liaison with Mr. Pehle for all matters affecting the War Refugee Board. Act as chairman of the Interdivisional Committee on Refugees, and arrange for Pehle's access to Departmental correspondence.
2. Adviser to the Secretary on all matters affecting the War Refugee Board.
3. Consultant (as now) in connection with the sub-committee of the Post-War Programs Committee on Displaced Persons and Migration in the post-war settlements.
4. Consultant to Governor Lehman on displaced persons.

This is satisfactory to Governor Lehman. Upon your approval I will get a definite answer from Mr. Warren. I am sure, after talking to him, that he is interested and will be willing to accept.

This has been cleared with Messrs. Acheson, Berle, Travers and Long.

Since the above he has agreed to accept.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : U - Mr. Hayden Raynor
FROM : WEA - Charles P. Taft
SUBJECT: George L. Warren

DATE: February 12, 1944

Mr. George L. Warren has had a continuous, wide, and successful experience in relief and refugee matters. While still at Harvard, from which he received an A.B. in 1910, he was District Secretary of the Boston Family Society, a position he held until 1916 when he became the Director of the Bridgeport Family Society. He left that position in 1919 to become the Personnel Director of Warner Bros. Company, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and remained with this firm until 1928, while at the same time serving as Chairman of the Homeless Section and as Chairman of the Red Cross Chapter.

Since 1928, Mr. Warren has been concerned with international relief matters, and since 1933 he has been representing this Government on refugee problems. In 1929, Mr. Warren became the International Director of the International Migration Service, a position which involved annual trips to Europe from 1930 to 1938 and which required the supervision of six case-working offices in different European countries with headquarters in Geneva. He served as the U.S. member of the League of Nations Committee on Indigent Aliens between 1933 and 1938, and as Secretary of the President's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees since 1938. In 1938, he attended the Evian Conference as Assistant to Myron Taylor and became Assistant to George Rublee, First Director of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees. In April 1943, he served as a Technical Adviser to the Anglo-American Conference on Refugees in Bermuda and, since then, has served continuously as a Consultant on displaced persons to OPRRO, UNRRA, and the State Department.

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