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From: FRENCH RED CROSS
PARIS

dated: Feb. 8th, 1947

To: The Director General,
UNRRA,
LONDON

No. 8377/G

Sir,

Please allow me to express my appreciation of the contents of your letter dated Jan. 28th as well as my deep gratitude for the fine work you have carried out.

Our common efforts to relieve sufferings have enabled me to appreciate UNRRA's deep understanding of these sufferings

On behalf of the French Red Cross, please accept my best thanks ~~and those~~ for yourself and your collaborators together with the assurance of our devoted co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

Sgd: illegible
Vice-President
French Red Cross



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Le 8 Février 1947

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LE PRÉSIDENT

RELATIONS EXTERIEURES

Monsieur le Directeur Général,

J'ai été particulièrement sensible aux termes de votre lettre du 28 Janvier et je m'empresse de vous assurer de toute ma reconnaissance pour la belle tâche que vous avez accomplie.

Nos efforts mutuels pour améliorer le sort de ceux qui souffrent, m'ont permis d'apprécier la haute compréhension de l'U. N. R. R. A..

Au nom de la Croix-Rouge Française, je vous demande de bien vouloir partager avec vos collaborateurs l'assurance de toute notre gratitude et celle de notre parfait dévouement.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Directeur Général, l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Le Vice-Président
de la Croix-Rouge Française

Monsieur le Directeur Général
of the UNITED NATIONS RELIEF
and REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
11, Portland Place
LONDON W.1

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To Mr. Dudley Ward, Office of the General Counsel

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

I attach draft letter of thanks from the P.R.D.G. to individual voluntary agencies for their work in conjunction with UNHRA, which I understand is to be signed by Sir Humphrey Gale and accompanied by a copy of the Resolution passed by the Council Committee for Europe.

I hope this is adequate. I have letters from nearly all the UNHRA Missions in more or less detail, expressing appreciation of voluntary societies in the respective countries, from which, if you would prefer, I could quote.

If this draft letter is satisfactory, I will have sufficient copies mimeographed, together with copies of the Resolution, and addressed to the individual voluntary societies in the United Kingdom. Perhaps you would let me know whether you wish to send similar letters to the American agencies and Continental bodies who have been working in Europe.

10th January, 1947



To R.S. Registry
Reference..... **VS150**

TO: Mrs. Tiarks, Voluntary Society Liaison Unit
FROM: Reports and Statistics Branch.

With reference to your minute of 8 October, we are already sending to Sir Michael Creagh extracts from all Mission Reports dealing with voluntary society matters, and will continue to do so. The copy of the Mission reports assigned to the Department of Relief Services is sent to Relief Services Registry for Chief of Relief Services as soon as it reaches us, and doubtless you will be able to make arrangements with Miss Gibbons' office to see it.

The September reports are now beginning to come in and we are asking the Missions whose reports have been late in the past to expedite their despatch.

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Audrey Rider.

MISS RIDER.

9th October, 1946.



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To Reports and Statistics Branch

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

The Voluntary Society Liaison Unit has been asked to produce a fully up-to-date report on voluntary societies' activities in connection with UNRRA for the next C.C.E. meeting. I should, therefore, be very grateful if you could give us priority in getting such reports on voluntary societies' activities as may come in from the Missions. We have received most of the August reports and are now needing those for September in order to get this document up to date.

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Reference FKK/AFM

To : Dr. A. Topping *AT*

From : Frances K. Kernohan. *F Kernohan*

Subject: CCE Report - Voluntary Agencies.

For Info. Only

Sir Michael just telephoned me to say that Dudley Ward and the P.R.D.C. had agreed not to include the comprehensive report on Voluntary Agencies on the Agenda for 16th October. Sir Michael says he is giving you the details. As I understand it, this will mean that a current comprehensive report on Voluntary Agencies will be due for the November CCE meeting.

7th October, 1946.

Copy to: Miss Gifford
Sir Michael Creagh

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To Mr. Clarence Moore

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

Attached are two copies of the report on the activities of the voluntary societies for the month of September, 1946.

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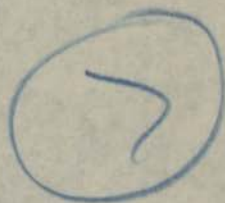
To Mr. Clarence Moore

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

Attached are two copies of the report on the activities
of the voluntary societies for the month of August, 1946.

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To Miss Frances Kernohan

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Secy. Liaison Unit

Attached is a copy of the Progress Report of this Unit for July, 1946, which I believe you require for the C.C.E. meeting. It might be as well not to mention the Tolstoy Foundation, as they have not yet obtained the support of the U.S. Government and we have heard unofficially that they are unlikely to do so. The inclusion of this society might be slightly controversial.

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To: D/C.F.A.
From: C.B.S.

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Outline Plan.

In accordance with our agreement, submitted herewith are instructions relating to Voluntary Agencies for inclusion under Part IX of the outline plan for the closing down of UNRRA Operations in Europe.

27th August, 1946.



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To Mr. Clarence Moore

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

Attached are two copies of the report on the activities of
voluntary societies for July, 1946.

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TO : William B. Sutch
FROM : Sir Michael Creagh.

With reference to the attached, I suggest omitting paragraph 6. I thought that it was agreed by the Committee that it would be better for them to "influence Vol. Agencies through their National Governments". I personally do not see a National Government wanting "the advice and assistance of UNRRA" in dealing with their own Vol. Agencies. I feel fairly certain that Dr. Welk will support my opinion.

Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

28th June, 1946.

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To Mr. Clarence Moore

From Mrs. P. Tiarks, Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit

Attached are two copies of the report on the activities of voluntary societies for April and May, 1946, which Sir Michael undertook to provide for Health and Welfare.

21st June, 1946.



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TO : Mr. J.R. Wraight. Office of Director-General.

FROM : Sir Michael Creagh. Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

Thank you so much for your information in your news about Finland.

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16th July, 1946.

To: Sir Michael Creagh, Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington, Office of Liaison with Voluntary
Societies, UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: International YMCA

Herewith a summary of the progress made thus far
by the International YMCA in Poland.

19 JUL 1946

U. N. R. R. A.
MAIL UNIT

As you know, Dr. Kenneth Smith came to Warsaw some months ago to represent the International YMCA in Poland, and has since worked very closely with the Polish YMCA for the establishment of summer camps for 15,000 young people, recreation centres for youth in Łódź, Kraków and Warsaw and further development of scout units in Poland.

I have had no opportunity of visiting the various recreational centres and summer camps now being maintained through the International YMCA, but I understand that these are very well organised and fairly well equipped. The International YMCA has imported a large quantity of sports equipment, furniture, bedding, clothing, etc. and in addition has had assistance in obtaining medical supplies from the Don Suisse - another example of cooperation within the Council.

The International YMCA is also supplying foodstuffs to the Polish YMCA for the feeding of some 7/8,000 children per week.

Recently the International YMCA has decided to open a feeding station and a summer camp at Pultusk for 50/100 boys. They have also agreed to hire and supply equipment for a camp for 10 girls, which is being opened by the Municipal Authorities of Warsaw. Also the International YMCA has supplied a considerable quantity of clothing to teachers in the Jasło area and has recently taken steps to include in the Kraków summer camps a large number of boys from the Tarnów and Rzeszów areas in South Poland (still among the worst areas in the country.)

The International YMCA is working closely with the national headquarters of the Scout movement and is supplying hospital equipment, furniture, etc. to the various units of the Scout movement.



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The buildings of the YMCA in Warsaw were very badly damaged during the war. I called there the other day, however, and was pleased to note that the International YMCA have gone ahead with building reconstruction and have now been able to open a very large recreation centre containing games rooms, individual cubicles, baths and showers, library and reading room and restaurant and snack bar for the young boys of Warsaw.

Dr. Kenneth Smith has now left for America in search of further funds for the work in Poland.

B. M. Wellington

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PM/L/1124

19th July, 1946.

To: Sir Michael Creagh

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: British Save the Children Fund

I sent you some time ago a copy of the proposed project of the Save the Children Fund for child feeding in Nieporęt and district. Miss M. Anderson, director of the British Save the Children Fund work in Poland, has now returned to Warsaw and has made the following progress in her arrangements for her work in Nieporęt.

1. Mobile Clinic

I understand that the Save the Children Fund will import into Poland a van equipped as a mobile clinic, which after service with the Fund will be handed over as a gift from the Welsh people to the people of Poland.

2. Visas

Miss Anderson has submitted to me the names of 3 people whom she thinks will be coming out to work with the Save the Children Fund, e.g. Miss Frances Elgee, Doctor Marian Coleman and Mr. Francis Davies. I have applied to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Navigation for the visas.

3. Financial Arrangements

Miss Anderson has informed me that she would like to make arrangements for the financing of her work through UNRRA. However, I have advised her to take this matter up with the British Embassy with a view to getting the British Foreign Office to release funds for her work through the embassies here on a basis of repayment by the British Save the Children Fund. I understand that she has now contacted the British Embassy in Warsaw and has communicated with her headquarters on this matter.

/4. Nieporęt Project

4. Nieporęt Project

Various details of this project are being worked out. The accommodation for the staff is ready; the water supply is being investigated and arrangements are being made for transport of goods from the ports and from Warsaw. Miss Anderson plans to recruit a small number of Polish personnel, and for this purpose is in touch with the Personnel Division of UNRRA.

I have written to the Prime Minister asking him to release to the Save the Children Fund a 3-ton truck on a loan basis for 6 months until they can settle the question of transport. When Miss Anderson gets here transport, we will assist her with registration of same and will see that she gets the facilities accorded to members of the Council, with regard to petrol and tyres.

Other matters such as supply of food for the staff, payment of the Polish personnel, PX supplies, fuel for the headquarters, furnishing, etc. are being investigated.

The American Relief for Poland have kindly consented to collect the goods of the Save the Children Fund from the warehouse of the Ministry of Social Welfare at Gdynia and to transport them to Warsaw.

To date, several consignments of goods for the Save the Children Fund have arrived at Gdynia; these have been warehoused pending transport. The most urgent problem now is to get the visas so that the personnel may be brought into the country.

Anything you can do to ginger up Capt. Gracey in this matter will be very greatly appreciated.

I have noted your letter of 13 June, in which you say that you are arranging for funds to be made available in Poland to meet salaries and maintenance expenses of the Save the Children Fund. Could you kindly let me know what steps have been taken in this matter.

As regards payment for petrol, we have arranged that the petrol supplied to the British Save the Children Fund be debited to the account of the Ministry of Education for Poland.

For B. M. Wellington.
Tea B. Ladday

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO: The United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration
BY: The Unitarian Service Committee, 25 Beacon Street,
Boston 8, Massachusetts
SUBJECT: Teams of Relief Workers to be Assigned to Refugee
Assembly Centres in Germany

The Unitarian Service Committee proposes to send two teams of relief workers into the occupied zones to work with refugees in the assembly centers.

PROPOSED PROGRAM

I. Project A - A Child Care Team for Displaced Children

Purpose: The purpose of this unit is to prepare the children administratively, physically and emotionally for permanent placement. Each child will be studied, as will the adult together with the child if related to him, as to the re-establishment of broken family ties in some cases and new placement in others. Psychiatric social workers and case workers will endeavour to help the individual child to master his past experiences and establish normal relations with the present and his future placement. Group work will be organised not only for the purpose of keeping the child busy while still in camp, although this is of the greatest importance during the interim period, but also as a technique of special aid in establishing normal relationships to other individuals and to society; helping the children to regain emotional and social security for their new life. The period between their liberation from Nazi terror and their final placement will be very decisive for the future development of displaced children determining whether they will become healthy, happy individuals, delinquents or neurotic wrecks, and whether they will prove an asset or a danger to society.

The child care unit will try to organise some educational set-up with the help of displaced adults.

Make-Up of the Team: The child care specialist team will consist of seven workers:

Administrative assistant.....	1
Case workers	2
Psychiatric social worker	1
Group workers	2
Nurse	1

It is proposed to recruit these workers, once authorisation has been received, in the United States and to send them immediately to the area of their assignments. The Unitarian Service Committee is prepared to provide a car for their transportation.

The Unitarian Service Committee has budgeted \$30,000.00 for this project which will cover the salaries of the workers, their preparation and maintenance before arrival at the centers for displaced persons, materials, insurance, and a car.

II. Project B - Medical Relief Team

The Unitarian Service Committee has recruited and trained through its European headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland a medical relief team composed mainly of refugees who are now working as a team unit bringing medical relief to displaced persons in the various camps in France. It is proposed, once authorisation is received from UNRRA, to send this team into the occupied zones to bring medical relief to the displaced persons in the refugee assembly centres. The Chief of the team is Dr. Mieczyslaw Knapik. The other members of the team are:

Dr. Josef Opalski	M. Francziszek Rutkowski	M. Jan Florek
Dr. Moses Melzer	Mme. Tonia Lechtmann	M. Jan Gmur
Dr. Helena Melzer	M. Jan Kasperek	Mme. Toler Lifschitz
		Two other doctors
		(Names unknown)
		The -

The members of the unit are refugees carefully selected to make up a balanced qualified medical social team: doctors, nurses, technicians and a medical social worker.

The team which assembled in Paris has been equipped with supplies and an excellent truck which can serve as an ambulance, a canteen or an ordinary camion, and an additional car for transporting personnel.

Our Paris office (24 Rue Lafitte) cabled on July 30th that the medical team has already begun its emergency work among the refugees in the camps in France in preparation for assignment to the refugee assembly centers in the occupied areas. The organization and present operation of the team has been made possible by the cooperation of representatives of the Polish government and of the Polish Red Cross in France. It is expected that these groups will follow up the emergency work of our team with a permanent program.

The Unitarian Service Committee is prepared to finance this team under the terms of agreement between UNRRA and the American Council of Voluntary Agencies with respect to supplementary projects. Since no figures are yet available from France as to the operating cost of this team, no accurate budget can be submitted at this time.

This Medical Relief Team can be ready for immediate assignment once the proper authorization has been received.

Copies of these proposals have been sent to the President's War Relief Control Board and the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service.

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF and REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
European Regional Office

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11, PORTLAND PLACE,
LONDON, W.1

DESRATCH No. 195

31st August, 1945.

Dear Miss Bradford,

I enclose the proposal and relevant correspondence of the Vaad
Mahatzala Society.

Three members, Dr. Isaac Levin, Rabbi Solomon P. Wohlgeleter
and Zorach Wohlschaffig have already arrived in this country and are
extremely anxious to be called forward at the earliest possible moment.
I would be grateful in the circumstances if you would present this
proposal to the appropriate authorities as soon as possible for their
decision. Meanwhile it would be perhaps possible to call forward Rabbi
Wohlgeleter from this country to amplify or discuss details of the
enclosed proposal.

Yours sincerely,

For Sir Michael Crough
Vol. Society Liaison Unit

Miss M. Bradford

UNITED NATIONS
RELIEF and REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

AIRMAIL

Miss Mary Gibbons
Assistant Deputy Director General
in charge of D.P.
UNRRA
11 a, Portland Place
London W1, England

Dear Miss Gibbons,

Reference is made to our 2949 and the concluding paragraph of your 2750 concerning the proposed participation by the Vaad Hatzala Emergency Committee in the displaced persons program in Germany.

There are attached two copies of the general outline of the program as offered by this voluntary agency. One comment may be added regarding the forwarding of relief supplies from here incident to their program. The supplies listed on page 2 of the attachments are already enroute to Europe via Army transport. This facility had been extended to the Vaad by the Military here without reference to UNRRA at the request, we understand, of theater commanders in Germany to General Hildring of Civil Affairs. In consultation with the President's War Relief Control Board here, representatives of the Vaad, and UNRRA Headquarters personnel, it has been agreed in all subsequent shipments of relief supplies incident to this program the Vaad will confine itself exclusively to the procurement and shipment of strictly kosher items (such as meat, soap, shortenings, soup, etc). This agreement was concluded because the Vaad is not a registered agency with the President's War Relief Control Board since the nature of its work is peculiarly religious in character, and it was felt that no duplication of relief supplies as furnished by such other Jewish agencies as Joint Distribution Committee would result if they confined their activity to strictly kosher items which can be regarded as supplies having a religious character.

Since much valuable time from the Vaad's viewpoint has been lost in clarifying their participation in the D.P. program in Germany on this side, it is hoped that you will be able to present the attached outline together with such comments as you may care to make to the Military at the earliest possible moment so that they may hopefully look forward to an early participation in this work.

The attached outline indicates also that Rabbi Wohlgenant is already in London, and it is possible that you might find consultation with him helpful in concluding a formal agreement with this agency. It will be appreciated if you will advise us as soon as this agreement has been concluded.

Sincerely yours,

C.M. Pierce
Acting Director, Division on D.P.

Enclosures 2

VAAD HAHATZALA
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132 Nassau Street
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New York 7, N.Y.

Phone Rector 2-4235

August 8, 1945.

United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration
1344 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Attention Mr. Ellinger - Room 815

Supplementing the conference held at your office on Friday morning between yourself, Mr. McCormick, Rabbi Solomon Metz of Washington, D.C., and Rabbi Solomon Wohlgeleser of Seattle, Washington, representing the Vaad Hatzala, we beg to submit the enclosed statement according to Section C of the General Rules Governing the Voluntary Agencies under UNRRA in the European theatre.

We are confident that this statement will substantiate the statement of facts that was submitted to the UNRRA on July 19th in which Rabbi Aron Kotler outlined in general the activities of our organization, together with an application to UNRRA for the recognition of our organization as the body representing religious Jewry of the United States actively engaged in relief and rehabilitation work on behalf of European Jewry.

From the report that Rabbi Wohlgeleser submitted at our executive session, we understood that you agreed to send another delegate to the Deputy Director of UNRRA for the European theatre stating that the Vaad Hatzala be classified as a "doing" organization cooperating with UNRRA, and not merely as an observing organization.

We wish to thank you on behalf of our organization for your kind consideration and we sincerely hope that this will enable our delegates in Europe to be admitted to the Military Zones under the control of the Army of Occupation to begin immediately the work for which our organization has been functioning.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Jacob Karlinsky
Vaad Hatzala Emergency Committee
Rabbi Jacob Karlinsky
Executive Director

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Phone Rector 2-4235

August 8, 1945.

United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration

a. Name of organization

Vaad Hatzala - Rehabilitation Emergency Committee, founded by Union of Orthodox Rabbis of United States and Canada, at 132 Nassau St., New York City 7, N.Y.

b. Names of principal officers, annual report, etc.

The principal officers of the organization consists of a praesidium of the following five members:

Rabbi Israel Rosenberg
Rabbi E.L. Silver
Rabbi BlL. Levinthal
Rabbi I.M. Gordon
Rabbi Jacob Levinson

The Treasurers of the organization are:

Rabbi Aron Kotler
Rabbi C.H. Bloch
Mr. Abraham Cohen
Mr. Max Stein

The Board of Governors consists of the members of the praesidium, the Treasurers and the following:

Rabbi Abraham Kalmanowitz
Rabbi M. Shulman
Mr. Irving Bunim
Mr. Stephen Klein
Mr. Henry Kraushar
Mr. S. Frankel
Mr. Herman Hollander
Rabbi Jacob Karlinsky - Executive Secretary

We submit herewith also our audited statement for 1944 and a semi-annual report submitted at the last general meeting of the organization.

c) Description of activities in which the agency proposes to engage, methods to be employed.

Our organization proposes to engage in the following:

1. To obtain testimony concerning the death of husbands whose wives remained alive and to submit same to rabbinical courts to grant them permission to be remarried in accordance with the Jewish law. Our delegates are charged with the duty to organize accredited committees to take such testimony, record them as prescribed by Jewish law, and submit them to the rabbinical courts.
2. Provide the necessary religious functionaries, such as ^{Shochtim} Shochtim, (performance of ritual slaughter); mohalim, (performing circumcision); Scribes, (individuals authorized to prepare the sacred objects for religious services, such as Scrolls and Phylacteries).
3. Establish orphanages under Jewish religious supervision; ^{No} establish religious schools and train individuals for such functions. If suitable individuals for the above purposes cannot be found in the camps, or are incapable of being trained for the above functions, our organization will select individuals from the Seminaries in this country and train them for these duties abroad, and they will be considered part of the personnel which we will place at the disposal of UNRRA.
4. To provide kosher food for the institutions to be established under our auspices and people who observe the Jewish dietary laws; religious text books for the school, prayer books and Bibles for Services and study, together with sacred objects needed for the religious observances. In this connection the following shipment is now being transmitted for distribution in the various camps by our delegates:

20,000	lbs.	meat
25,000	"	matzoth
20,000	"	rice
8,000	"	milk powder
13,500	"	soup concentrate
3,500	"	Nutola vegetable shortening
10,000	"	soap
2,500	"	dried prunes
1,000	"	cocoa
2,500	"	candy
800	"	diced carrots
600	"	canned vegetable soup
900	"	Crisco shortening

3,003	Prayer books
1,426	Psalms
600	Bibles
200	pairs of Phylacteries
740	Holiday Prayer Books
500	Readers for Beginners
200	Talmuds

This shipment was made possible by special order of the Army Service Forces dated July 26, and called forth by the Theatre Command in the European area.

In addition to these materials that are to be shipped from the U.S.A., our organization is engaged in the purchase of these above mentioned articles and similar articles and kosher food from the neighboring countries, such as Switzerland and Sweden, through the medium of the local Vaad Hatzala committees organized for that purpose.

5. Our delegates are charged with the responsibility to conform strictly to the rules and regulations laid down by UNRRA for voluntary agencies.

We now have three delegates in the European area: Rabbi Dr. Isaac Lewin, Dr. Z. Warhaftig and Mr. Samuel Smid. Rabbi Solomon P. Wohlgelemerter will leave this week to join the above three delegates. Plans also call for dispatch from here of Rabbi Kalmanowitz. We also have committees in Switzerland, England, France and Belgium and they are ready to assign their staffs to the UNRRA. Our Swiss and London Committees have purchased supplies of Kosher foods and religious articles, as much as could be obtained in the rather limited European market and these supplies are being sent into the freed zones. Our London Committee has a squadron of synagogue-ambulances which make periodic trips to the British zone of occupation in the above areas to administer to the spiritual and physical needs of the displaced persons with funds supplied by our organization. Five such units have been purchased. Each unit is staffed by a Rabbi, a physician, and a crew of relief workers. We are ready to equip similar units for operation in the American and other zones, and to train hundreds of young men and women for service in these units.

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To: Sir Michael Creagh, Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies, UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington, Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies, UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: World Student Relief

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You will be glad to know that Mrs. P. Farley has now been in Warsaw for about 10 days and during that time has visited Łódź and Kraków on tours of investigation of the relief needs of the University students. She will also visit other University centres, e.g. Poznan and Lublin before going to London on the 27th June, to consult with her committee.

You may like to know that Mrs. Farley is very acceptable here and seems to have a very good grasp of relief needs of students in the short time that she has been here. We have put her in touch with the head of the Department of Psychology in the University of Warsaw and the Director of Education in the University of Kraków. She will also benefit from certain material which has been collected here by Mr. Berger on educational requirements.

Mrs. Farley has been put in contact with Mme. Kuczkowska, Vice-Minister of Education, who introduced her to Mr. Kek, Liaison Officer between the Ministry and students in the district of Warsaw. Such liaison officers exist in each district.

At the invitation of the Warsaw University Bratnia Emoc, Mrs. Farley travelled to Łódź and looked into the problems of the students there.

At the last meeting of the Council, Mrs. Farley stated that the World Student Relief proposed to provide financial and scholarship assistance to Polish students, as well as material relief, and had already made arrangements to send some students out to study in Switzerland England. She also said that 250 Polish students of science were now studying in Denmark.

The World Student Relief will benefit from all privileges accorded by the Council, including ~~free~~ rail transport, insurance, etc.

I hope to be able to report to you more fully on their work within a week or so.

Jean B. Ladday
for B. M. Wellington.

Original sent to Miss Bradford - 5.10.45

AIDE SUISSE A LA POLOGNE

Received 1st October 1945. Society already sent a Medico-Sociale Mission in the regions of Bavaria, Salzburg, Tyrol and Vorarlberg. They wish to send new mission to Germany for relief of Polish D.Ps in Germany, medicaments, scholastic material (not books), help for children under 15 and for orphans.

Mission consist of: -

- 2 - 3 drivers with vehicles and a lorry carrying
- 10 - 20 tons of goods.

Liaison: Mrs. Rita Alison of British Legation, Berne.

August 1, 1945.

/COPY/

Memorandum to UNRRA from the American Christian Committee for Refugees with
Regard to Supplementary Project in Assembly Centers for Stateless, Dissident
Nationals, and Deferred Repatriables among the Internationally Displaced Peoples
Remaining in Germany and Other Former Enemy Occupied Countries.

October 1, 1945 to September 30, 1946.

NATURE OF PROJECT

Vocational guidance and retraining enabling displaced persons to fit effectively and more rapidly than would otherwise be possible into the manpower needs of liberated Europe. Special attention will be given to

- (1) Problems of economic adjustment among the middle aged whose assimilation into postwar European production patterns will be particularly difficult;
- (2) The necessity, in many cases, of shift from earlier clerical or other "white collar" jobs to various forms of urgently needed manual work in both skilled and unskilled trades;
- (3) The requirements of the best trained, gifted or experienced in the arts, sciences, and professions who will be unable for the most part to make their contribution to European reconstruction unless technical and professional assistance is given them through individual service, grounded on analysis of individual needs, beyond what is possible or even contemplated by official agencies necessarily operating on an overall basis.

Vocational guidance will be accredited by refresher courses; scholarships in approved institutions for limited periods and clearly stated objectives in highly selected individual cases. Supply of materials and equipment for retraining; and resettlement aid, vocational loans or supplementary aid or subsistence grants in comparatively few individual cases of exceptional need, urgency or promise.

PERSONNEL AND METHODS

It is presently planned to place this work in the charge of Miss Camille Killian and Miss Imperia Briganti.

Miss Camille Killian is a graduate of Hiram College, Ohio and has additional degrees from the School of Applied Social Sciences and the Smith School of Social Work. She knows French, German and Bohemian. Her experiences include work as Executive Secretary in the Family Welfare Society in Paterson, New Jersey and as Associate District Secretary of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities; as Caseworker in Rehabilitation Work with the American Red Cross in Washington, D.C.; as Chief Psychiatric Social Worker at the Mental Hygiene Clinic, Michael Reese Hospital; as Psychiatric Social Worker at the Worcester, Massachusetts State Hospital and as Caseworker Supervisor-Assistant District Secretary of the Associated Charities in Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Killian when working with the American Red Cross did rehabilitation work with families and individuals who lost their homes and were upset emotionally and disturbed. Her special training in psychiatry enables her to work under conditions of emotional stress and pressure. Her psychiatric training is an aid in understanding the effect of war experience on the people of the liberated countries, particularly the children. She is now assigned to El Shatt Camp No. 4 for Yugoslavs in Egypt, where she is attached to the Hospital Staff and is working with mental hygiene patients. She arrived overseas about August 22, 1944.

Miss Imperia Briganti speaks Italian, Spanish, French and German. She has had interesting work experience in the Welfare Council of New York City in the Vocational Guidance Division; with the Committee on Cultural Relations with Latin America and with the American Consulate General in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Miss Briganti/

Miss Briganti has a genuine interest in people and is able to work well with them. She has had the experience of four years' residence in a foreign country, Argentina and has travelled through France and Italy and through Mexico in 1940. Because of Miss Briganti's foreign Italian background, her training, and her work experience, she has gained a real understanding and feeling for people of all races, religions and of different economic groups. She has been appointed Assistant Chief of Refugee Services Section and is now in Cairo, Egypt. She has been overseas since January 1, 1945.

Miss Killian and Miss Briganti will add to their staff, as may be needed, technical and social workers preferably from among displaced people of approved qualifications. They will work in close conjunction with representatives of other Refugee Relief Trustee agencies, with UNRRA personnel, and with all official agencies with which potential workers - professional, clerical, skilled trades or others have to register. They will maintain working relationships with ACCR and Refugee Relief Trustee offices and personnel in France, Switzerland, other European countries, Latin America and the United States.

BUDGET

A working budget in the amount of \$170,000. has been earmarked by the American Christian Committee for Refugees for this project in assembly centers during the year October 1, 1945, to September 30, 1946. Of this total sum \$100,000. will be made available for the first three to six months of this period.

This fund will be required for the following purposes:

- 1) Salaries and expenses of professional, clerical and teaching personnel and expenses connected with obtaining working accommodations for them in the several assembly centers where this project may be carried out;
- 2) Materials and equipment for retraining purposes; and
- 3) Supplementary loans, scholarships, and grants-in-aid in exceptional cases as indicated above.

IMMEDIATE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL BY UNRRA

Miss Killian assisted by Miss Briganti is under instructions to proceed to assembly centers in Germany as soon after September 1945 as UNRRA permission and facilities can be granted by agreement with the military.

They will be prepared to initiate some parts of the program at once. The American Christian Committee for Refugees particularly requests that facilities be granted them for working contacts in leading assembly centres with a view for formulation on ground of concrete working plans for budget breakdown making the best strategic use of the funds committed to this project.

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To:

Sir Michael Creagh, Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies, UNRRA, London.

From:

B. M. Wellington, Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies; UNRRA, Warsaw.

American Relief for Poland

Herewith a brief report on the relationship between the American Relief for Poland and COFVAP.

As you know, Mr. H. Osinski, Executive Secretary of the American Relief for Poland, is the Chairman of the Council, and has rendered valuable assistance in this capacity, in obtaining special privileges for the members of the Council and in advising them on specific technical and political problems.

Among other privileges which have been obtained for the organisations through the efforts of Mr. Osinski, are: -

a. Free rail transport from the ports to the centre of distribution for all organisations which are members of the Council.

b. The initiation of a group insurance scheme (copy enclosed) to enable each foreign voluntary agency to insure its cars and drivers at a reasonable rate. The insurance now covers approximately 100 cars and we are negotiating for a blanket agreement to cover any additional transport which might be brought into the country for other organisations.

c. Mr. Osinski is very active in introducing the Paderewski Hospital to the Polish authorities and the Polish people. He is now arranging for the hospital to be on display early in August and he has obtained the approval of the Ministry of Health for the programme, i.e. the distribution of the hospital in various parts of Poland and a mobile clinic in connection therewith. The only snag at the present time is that the Ministry of Defence wants the hospital for the army and is making it somewhat difficult for us to come to a reasonable agreement with the government.

/d. Identification

d. Identification Cards for all children being cared for by foreign voluntary agencies - negotiations have been in progress for some weeks now for the compilation of an identification card (copy already sent you), to enable foreign voluntary agencies to keep a careful check on the children with whom they will deal. The American Relief for Poland has agreed to assume the cost of printing, etc. of these cards and is considering assuming the cost of establishing a relatively simple card index system for foreign voluntary agency work in Poland.

e. Warehousing - the American Relief for Poland has made available to all Council members free warehouse space in the ports of Gdynia and Gdansk. This has been a great boon to the smaller organisations, which otherwise have to rely on the Ministry of Social Welfare - a doubtful quantity when it comes to protection of goods.

f. The American Relief for Poland has also rendered valuable assistance in transporting goods for foreign voluntary agencies.

There has also been a certain amount of exchange of commodities between the American Relief for Poland and other foreign voluntary agencies such as the Don Suisse and the American Red Cross. This represents a very useful stage in the development of cooperation among the organisations. I am sure that you will agree that it is absolutely essential that one organisation should fill in for another with supplies which the latter lacks, in an emergency, and this cooperation has now been developed to the full.

The American Relief for Poland has also undertaken to supply elementary educational material to Polish schools in the quantities described in the attached list.

I sent you some time ago, a copy of a questionnaire in which the scope and programme of the American Relief for Poland was outlined. This programme has not altered in the succeeding months and may be roughly stated to be continuation of the distribution of general relief, i.e., medical supplies, food and clothing.

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Sir Michael Creagh

The American Relief for Poland is continuing to work through Caritas, CKOS (Central Committee for Social Welfare) and the Polish YMCA. The American Relief for Poland has contributed a considerable quantity of mixed food supplies for the summer camp programme of these organisations.

You may like to know that whereas since last November the American Relief for Poland has taken responsibility for the distribution of the goods of the National Catholic Welfare, the work of the latter organisation has now been taken over by Mr. George Szudy, who arrived in Poland 3 weeks ago to represent the National Catholic Welfare.

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I hope that/information will be of use to you.

B. M. Wellington
B. M. Wellington.

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Exercise Books	4,721,200
Drawing books	500,000
	1,000,000
Graph paper	
Pencils	1,000,000
Penholders	1,000,000
Rulers	1,000,000
Rubbers	1,000,000
Indelible pencils	1,000,000
Nibs	1,000,000

Warsaw, May 28, 1946

We give below the conditions of insurance:-

- I. the owner's responsibility for owning a car,
- II. the consequences of accidents to drivers, drivers' assistants, guards, passengers of cars,
- III. the risk of breaking, fire and reservoir explosion, stealing and robbery of cars (autocasco).

I. THE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY.

The subject of insurance is the legal responsibility that can arise in case of possessing or using a car, in virtue of the regulations, concerning the obligation of indemnities for the damages caused by death, injuries or any harm to health of a third party, as well as by damage to other people's property, valid in the Republic of Poland at the moment of conclusion of the agreement.

Insurance refers also to the indispensable costs of legal or any other defence of the person insuring against unfounded or excessive claims of a third party, as well as the charges of defence in the criminal procedure taken because of the act, which could explain claims of indemnity.

Annual insurance premium for the above mentioned, according to the guarantee funds up to Zl.300.000.- for wounding or killing some persons in an accident, not more however than Zl.100.000.- for wounding or killing of one person and not more than Zl.20.000.- for the damaging of other people's property - amounts for each staff car or lorry to Zl.2.100.-

<u>Additions:</u>	for each car-side	20%	of premium
	" " camping-side	35%	" "
	" the free transport of employees to the office and back	25%	" "

The insurance concerns the journeys over the area of the Republic of Poland. In case the insurance should cover journeys throughout Europe, we add to the above mentioned premiums:

- 1/ for a single journey undertaken within a period of two months 40% of the supplement
- 2/ " journeys undertaken within a year .. 100% " " "

The person insuring has to pay damage up to 10%, in case of damaging other people's property up to 20% and the reduction franchise to the amount of Zl.300.- For damages up to Zl.300.- of value The Common Establishment of Mutual Insurance does not answer.

II. Allowances (Rabates)

From the above mentioned premiums we can give you the following discounts:

for the insurance of	5 cars	5, %
" " " "	6-10 "	10, %
" " " "	11-15 "	12, 5%
" " " "	16-20 "	15, %
" " " "	21-30 "	20, %
" " " "	31-100 "	25, %
" " " "	101-500 "	30, %
" " " "	501-1000 "	35, %

II. INSURANCE OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF ACCIDENTS.

The insurance covers accidents which can happen to passengers of the insured cars strictly in connection with the use of the car, as well as the accidents which can happen to the professional drivers and their assistants in time of executing their profession with knowledge and permission of the insuring person, and strictly in connection with service and use of the cars.

The accident insurance to every passenger as well as to the driver and his assistant, or a member of convey - cannot exceed, for one person:

- a/ Zl.30.000.- in case of death,
- b/ Zl.60.000.- in case of incurable injury.

For such insurance compensation the annual premium for each driver, assistant of driver or the guard amounts to Zl.720.-

The accident insurance of passengers can be arranged:

- 1/ according to the place system - i.e. all places for passengers in the staff car, except the driver's place, must be insured.

The annual premium for one passenger amounts to:

- a/ Zl.3.- on each Zl.1.000.- of the insurance amount in case of death
- b/ Zl.3.- " " Zl.1.000.- " " " " " " " " of incurable injury.

- 2/ according to the wholesale system - i.e. the staff cars for more than two passenger places; the insurance amount for all passengers jointly in one car cannot exceed Zl.120.000.- in case of death and Zl.240.000.- in case of incurable injury. To determine the amount of indemnity for every particular person present in the car at the time of an accident, the above mentioned sums have to be divided by the number of passengers present in the car at the moment of accident, but the indemnity for one person cannot exceed Zl.30.000.- in case of death and Zl.60.000.- in case of an incurable injury.

The insurance covers also accidents when passengers, having a formal permission, are driving a car.

The annual premium for insurance of staff cars passengers, according to the wholesale system, amounts to:

- Zl.3.75 on each Zl.1.000.- of the insurance amount in case of death,
- Zl.3.75 " " Zl.1.000.- " " " " " " " " incurable injury.

(i.e. for the sums as above mentioned: Zl.120.000/240.000 à Zl.1.350.- on each staff car/.

The passenger's insurance total for accidents both for the system of places and for the wholesale system, cannot exceed on each car Zl.120.000.- in case of death & Zl.240.000- in case of an incurable injury.

Allowances can be made for quantity, as indicated "in the section on the owner's responsibility insurance".

III. AUTOCASCO.

The autocasco insurance can be arranged only with the insurance, mentioned in paragraphs I and II (not separately).

According to the section 1 of General Conditions of Car Insurance (Autocasco) the insurance contains the damages arising on account of:

- a/ an accident, i.e. a sudden external collision, causing the destruction of the damage of the car,
- b/ malicious or thoughtless damage of the car by strange persons, i.e. by persons who are not employed in any capacity by the car's owner, or these to whom the guarding and protection of the car was not confided.
- c/ fire or explosion of the reservoir, containing the fuel; excluding however, damages resulting from the transport of inflammable, explosive or corrodent stuffs, if these stuffs are not directly used to keep the car in motion,
- d/ stealing or robbery by strange persons of the car or its constituent parts, but only those, which are actually part of the car as fixtures. In both these cases, however, the insurance is valid, when, to steal fixtures, use of physical power or instruments was indispensable.

Common Establishment of Mutual Insurance undertakes no obligation for renovation of the damaged car; promises only to return the financial value of the renovation, reckoned according to the General Conditions of the Car Insurance (Autocasco), completed and revised by resolutions, modified in the "Enclosure to the Motion", enclosed hereby. This Enclosure is to be signed and returned to us with the motion.

At the autocasco insurance the owner participates in every damage up to Zl.500.- For damages below Zl.500.- the Common Establishment of Mutual Insurance does not answer.

As a basis to determine the insurance value of the used cars, we are taking into consideration the catalogue price of these cars from August 1939 multiplied by a coefficient as to the insurance amount; this corresponds more or less to the market prices of cars to-day.

For new cars the insurance values are to be determined according to the real market value.

The annual premiums for the autocasco insurance depend upon the insurance values and these are as follows:

For the insurance value		%	minimum premium
over Zl. 60.000.-	up to Zl. 60.000.-	8	Zl. 3,500.-
" " 100.000.-	" " 100.000.-	7,5	" 5,000.-
" " 120.000.-	" " 120.000.-	7	" 7,500.-
" " 150.000.-	" " 150.000.-	6,5	" 9,000.-
" " 200.000.-	" " 200.000.-	6	" 10,000.-
" " 250.000.-	" " 250.000.-	5,5	" 12,000.-
" " 250.000.-	" "	5	" 14,000.-

RABATES:

for excluding from insurance risk of fire & explosion	10%
" " " " " " theft & robbery	20%
for insurance on the <u>total damage</u> of the car only	40%
for quantity - on insurance of 51 upto 500 cars	10%
" " " " " 500 cars	15%

To the above mentioned premiums, for every kind of insurance, we add the following policy fees:

for the premium over Zl. 100.-	up to Zl. 500.-	Zl. 25.-
" " " " " 500.-	" " " 1,000.-	" 50.-
" " " " " 1,000.-	" " " 10,000.-	" 100.-
" " " " " 10,000.-	" " "	" 250.-

Enclosing the relative motions, Statutes and General, Additional and Special Insurance Conditions on the owner's responsibility, on accidents and on the autocasco - always ready to give any further explanations - we are awaiting your orders.-

/-/ Signature.

Enclosures.

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20th July, 1946.

To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: Anglo-American Quaker Relief

This is to let you know that all plans concerning all projects of the Anglo-American Quaker Relief Mission in Poland have now been completed and the following is the status of operations: -

1. The American Friends Service Committee and the British Friends Relief Service have now combined to form the Anglo-American Quaker Relief Mission in Poland, under the direction of Mr. Philip Zealey.

2. A child feeding project is being carried out at Kozienice, whereby 5,000 children are receiving about 600 calories per day each. It is anticipated that this scheme will continue until the end of December.

3. After negotiations were complete for the establishment of Quaker work at Olsztyn in the Mazurian area, word was received through the Polish Government that the Russians would not permit either American or British personnel to operate in that area on the ground that Olsztyn was too near the frontier. At the request of the Chief of Mission, I wrote to Dr. Zebrowski on this matter, and have now received a favourable reply, to the effect that the Quakers can carry out a relief project in Olsztyn for a preliminary period of 3 months, after which the position will be reviewed again.

You may be interested to know that through Miss A. Cheyney, Secretary to a number of large cooperatives in US, we have been able to get subsidy of \$100 per week for an indefinite period, for the Quaker work in Poland. From now on Mr. Zealey will deal directly with Miss Cheyney on this matter. We have had some difficulty in getting exemption from customs duty for the Quaker goods being imported by the Anglo-American Quaker relief Mission in Poland, and

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negotiations are going on with the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Navigation, and we are hoping for a satisfactory solution to the problem.

For your confidential information, a crisis may arise in the affairs of the Quakers here vis-à-vis the Ministry of Social Affairs, which originally sponsored them. As you know, the Quakers were invited to Poland last winter by special invitation of Mr. Stanczyk, then Minister of Social Welfare. With the help of Fred Tritton, an agreement was concluded with the Minister of Social Welfare, whereby the Minister of Social Welfare undertook to pay for petrol, tyres, establishment of premises, etc. for the Quakers.

Now, Mr. Stanczyk has gone the new Minister of Social Welfare is not yet apprised of the problem and the vice-Minister of Social Welfare, Mme. Pragierowa, does not agree that the Ministry of Social Welfare should finance the Quakers as at present. Part of the difficulty arises from the fact that the Quakers are at present assisting more children under the age of seven than over the age of seven, and have not yet begun to give assistance to adults.

The Ministry of Social Welfare has no responsibility for children over three years old and it is possible that they may take the view that the responsibility for financing the Quaker project should be turned over to the Ministry of Education.

I have written to Mme. Pragierowa and to the Minister of Social Welfare on this matter. This is a matter in which we should greatly appreciate your advice - perhaps you would kindly contact Mr. Horsley.

Negotiations are now complete for the establishment of the Quaker reconstruction group in the Kielce area. Unfortunately, Mr. Wm. B. Edgerton, who initiated this scheme is leaving Warsaw shortly, but his place will be taken by Alfred Johnson, who arrived recently. All personnel for the various Quaker projects were long ago called forward from here; as soon as personnel arrive the Olsztyn and Kielce projects will commence.

J. B. Bodley
for B. M. Wellington.

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To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, European Regional Office.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: American Joint Distribution Committee.

Herewith a brief report up to date on the activities of the A.J.D.C. in Poland.

You will remember that this organisation lost its director some months ago; his place has been taken by Mr. W. Bein, one of the best known directors of the Paris headquarters of the A.J.D.C.

Mr. Bein has made many improvements in the organisation of the A.J.D.C. in Warsaw, since his arrival here. He also maintains close contact with the Jewish Central Committee and the Jewish Labour Committee in New York.

The A.J.D.C. have no general agreement with the government, but operate in close contact with the Ministry of Public Administration here. The programme, which is very extensive, includes raising of funds, actual relief to children, the sick, student youth, and repatriates, as well as physical aid calculated to improve the economic status of the Jews in Poland. At present Mr. Bein is very occupied with transports of Jews who are returning to Poland, and has had the assistance of the Council in obtaining extra medical supplies and other physical relief for these distressed persons.

I think it likely that the largest proportion of the funds for Poland of the A.J.D.C. are going to relief for repatriated Jews.

The A.J.D.C. has provided supplementary food to other organisations of the Council for their summer camp programmes and in addition is maintaining summer camps for Jewish children.

The organisation is also very active in providing the Jewish population with assistance in emigration matters.

B. M. Wellington

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17th July, 1946.

To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: The British Council

We sent you recently a copy of a report of the British Council on the first quarter of its work in Poland. You may like to know in addition that we have now invited the British Council to participate as observer in the work of the Council of Foreign Voluntary Agencies in Poland, and we hope to provide the same services to the British Council as we are giving to other member agencies.

I am informed by Mr. Bidwell, of the British Council that he has been able to procure fifteen places in summer camps in England for Polish children, and he has asked for our assistance in providing physical comforts for the children on their journey through Czechoslovakia, Germany and France.

I do not anticipate that we will have very close relations with the British Council on relief matters, as they are not engaged in direct relief. However, they will be of great assistance to us in consideration of Polish educational requirements, if and when the foreign voluntary organisations take these up.

B. M. Wellington
B. M. Wellington.



CHIEF RABBI'S (RELIGIOUS EMERGENCY) COUNCIL.

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SYNAGOGUE AMBULANCE RELIEF TEAMS.

Names of Ministers of Religion and Theological Students
Enrolled with the Chief Rabbi's Religious Emergency
Council for Religious and Relief Work in Europe.

Team VIII (Berlin)

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
REICH Judah	30	British.	English, French, Yiddish, German.	Driving, Engineering, Teaching, Camp Organising.
REICH David.	24	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Relief & Welfare work, Canteen & Hostel Organiser.
ZANVEL Michael.	22	British.	English, Hebrew, Yiddish, German.	Child Welfare, Canteen Work.

~~Copy for Mr. H. Morgan~~
COPY

June 19th, 1946

Mrs. Jana Benes,
President, Red Cross Society of Czechoslovakia,
Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Dear Mrs. Benes,

We have received your communication to this Headquarters of 14th June 1946, setting forth proposals of the Red Cross Society of Czechoslovakia for services to displaced persons in Germany under the supervision and coordination of UNRRA.

I am pleased to inform you that the proposals of your Society have been approved, subject to the terms of agreements between UNRRA and the military authorities of the British, United States and French Occupation Zones in Germany and in accordance with the conditions of service established by UNRRA for voluntary societies.

Under the terms of UNRRA-Military agreements for the three occupation zones the personnel of voluntary societies working under the control of UNRRA are accorded the same facilities by the military authorities as are accorded to UNRRA field personnel. UNRRA conditions of service for personnel of Voluntary Societies working under the coordination and control of UNRRA are set forth in the attached Administrative Order No. A.193 of the European Regional Office of UNRRA.

The UNRRA Directors and Military Commands of the three occupation zones are being informed of this agreement and of the services available to them from your organisation. These services and the necessary personnel will be called forward in accordance with requests submitted by UNRRA Zone Directors with the approval of the military authorities.

Yours sincerely,

F. E. Morgan
Lieutenant General
Chief of Operations, Germany.

Republika Československa
MINISTERSTVO OCHRANY PRÁCE A SOCIÁLNÍ PEČE
Repatriční Odbor.

CZECHOSLOVAK MINISTRY OF LABOUR & SOCIAL WELFARE
Repatriation Office.

Prague June 14th, 1946

Proposals for Working Agreement.

TO: Lt. General Sir Frederick Morgan,
Chief of UNRRA Mission, Germany.
UNRRA Central Headquarters, Arolsen.

1. The Czechoslovak Red Cross Society under the auspices of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare desires to work in Germany in the UNRRA Displaced Persons Programme and agrees to carry out the terms of the proposal presented below. The organisation will work in Germany under the coordination and supervision of UNRRA and the military authorities.

2. The Czechoslovak Red Cross Society is a voluntary society to which will be delegated specific duties in Germany respecting searching for displaced Czechoslovak nationals under the authority and supervision of the responsible Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare - Repatriation Department - Prague.

The organisation has the following principal officers:

Mrs. Hana Benesova,	President of the Czechoslovak Red Cross Society.
General Alois Vicherek	Acting President
Mrs. Zdenka Havrankova,	Vice-chairman
Dr. Josef Idnhart	Director General
Dr. Ludvik Zezulak,	Director.

For the Search Service Departments:-

Dr. Vaclav Solle Chief of the Search Department.

3. While the Czechoslovak Red Cross Society is prepared to expand its original activities in future agreement with UNRRA, the primary purpose of operations at this time is the searching for Czech and Slovak children in Germany. Emphasis is laid on the location and recovery of the children removed to Germany after the destruction of the city of Iddice. In these searching activities, the Czechoslovak Red Cross Society under the auspices of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare /further Czechoslovak Red Cross/ proposes the following:

- a) The Czechoslovak Red Cross is prepared to send immediately two teams of three persons each into German operations. The selection, interchange or replacement of the members of this team being the responsibility of the Czechoslovak Red Cross is always subject to the provisions of clause (c) following. Should it be desired that personnel should be added to the teams or that additional teams be sent, this can be done - on the basis of this agreement - by a mere concurrence of views between UNRRA and the Czechoslovak Red Cross.
- b) It is agreed that the personnel of these teams will receive their compensation from the Czechoslovak Red Cross, and that they will be initially uniformed and inoculated at the time of their entrance into Germany. Field equipment for the personnel will be supplied by the Czechoslovak Red Cross. Each team will have at its disposal one automobile for use in the tracing activities.
- c) The Search Teams will work in close cooperation with the UNRRA Child Welfare Department and will be responsible to the Child Welfare Branch of each occupation zone where they are operating. It is fully understood that these teams will not function as independent entities, but will work as a subdivision of UNRRA search teams already active in various districts or regions within the zones. However, it is further understood that the Czechoslovak Red Cross Search Teams will be assigned only to search teams operating in an area where they have reason to believe Czechoslovak children will be found. These areas and all arrangements concerning the activities of the teams will be determined and made after consultation between UNRRA Child Welfare Branch and the representative of the Czechoslovak Red Cross.

- a) UNRRA will supply to the personnel of these teams the necessary office space, FOL, maintenance of cars, messing and billeting facilities, plus the privileges of PD, Clothing purchases and post-office facilities.
- e) The personnel of the Czechoslovak Red Cross operating in Germany agrees to comply with the military laws laid down by the military authorities of the area in which they are working. Any military personnel seconded to the organisation will serve under the same conditions which apply to the rest of the personnel of the Czechoslovak Red Cross in Germany.

4. The Czechoslovak Red Cross hopes that the terms of this proposed agreement will be acceptable to UNRRA and the military authorities involved, and that the Red Cross personnel will be able to take up its duties in the near future.

For the Ministry of Labour
and Social Welfare - Repatriation
Department:

Signed Jan Becke

For the Czechoslovak
Red Cross Society.

Signed. Hana Benesova

Gen. Vicherek.

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RELIEF SERVICES
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MAIL UNIT

To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

As I shall be leaving Poland shortly, I propose to send to you separate and final reports on each of the foreign voluntary agencies operating in Poland. Herewith the first, on the work of the Danish Red Cross, incorporating the Danish Save the Children Fund.

You will have already received a copy of their own report, but you may like to know that I have visited the Danish Red Cross at Wrzeszcz and Gdansk and have found that they have an excellent programme of feeding and medical relief, the latter covering some 700 persons daily. In addition they plan to open an operating room at the same time that they will carry on the private medical consultation and operations in the available Polish hospitals.

The Danish Red Cross have four doctors and nurses in their ambulatorium at Wrzeszcz and they plan to increase this to 5 or 6 nurses.

The Danish Save the Children Fund have a very well equipped and beautifully situated summer home for children near Wrzeszcz, where they house 50/60 boys and 50/60 girls in alternate months. Every child participating in this scheme has gained more than 2 kilos. in the month's stay. The children are examined daily by the Doctor and provided with extra food, rest, gymnastic exercises, etc. required for their health. Most of the children sleep out-of-doors and spend their waking hours outside also.

These children are selected by the Polish authorities from among the poorest homes and in the main they are children suffering from pulmonary condition, though not actually tubercular.

The Council of Foreign Agencies in Poland has followed the work of the Danish Red Cross and the Danish Save the Children Fund from its origins in February and has been able to assist these organisations with transport for their initial investigations, purchase of 17 lorries and allocation of 3 staff cars from the Polish Government, as well as monthly requirements of petrol and oil.

/The work

The work of the Danish Red Cross suffered slight dislocation on two occasions since February. One when the first director, Mr. Mortensen, was recalled to Copenhagen for other work, and the second when the second director, Dr. Jensen had to return to Copenhagen on account of illness. The work is now under the direction of Dr. Johs Thyssen and his wife, both prominent in Danish Red Cross work in Copenhagen, and noted for their resistance work in Denmark during the war.

The work of the Danish Red Cross in Ostrod in the Mazurian area will be extended shortly to include the area within 100 km. radius, i.e. to include child feeding for 10/15,000 children.

I enclose for your information a copy of a letter which Dr. Thyssen has written to me concerning his work, which will show you something of the relation which he has had with the Council.

B. M. Wellington
B. M. Wellington.

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DANISH RED CROSS

COPY

Wrzeszcz, June 29th, 1946

Dear Miss Wellington,

First of all I want on behalf of the Danish Red Cross to thank you most heartily for the considerable work you have done for us, and beg you kindly to excuse all the troubles we have caused you. I hope, that things hereafter will turn better out.

As soon as I returned from Warsaw I collected the numbers of the cars, of which we at present dispose. The numbers you will find in the enclosed letter.

The Danish Red Cross is very thankful for the cars, which we have now got the permission to buy, and for the petrol ration, which will be given us. This will bring us over great difficulties. At once we have discussed matters with the station, which delivers the cars here in the district of Gdansk, but the cars must be paid on delivery, if no other agreement has been made, and consequently we cannot get them. I have in writing informed the station, that Miss Wellington would try to obtain delay of the payment by the prime minister, and as agreed I have asked the Danish minister in Warsaw to address himself to the Polish prime minister concerning this matter.

Now the trouble is, that we may have the cars reserved, but cannot get them delivered, before the station for delivery of the cars has got an information from the prime minister that delay with the payment has been granted.

I send my brother, dentist Halfdan Thyssen, to Warsaw Monday morning by the first plane, in order to deliver you this and the letters. Further more it is his task to address himself to the Danish minister in Warsaw in order to get the said letter from the prime minister hastened. The cause why I am trying to get this letter precipitated is, that it is quite impossible for us to supply our stations in Makow and Ostroda with sufficient food by means of our present cars.

I ask you kindly to inform me, perhaps through my brother if we have to fetch the permission for petrol personally, when the permission is given, or this permission will be sent to us.

I enclose a summary of the Danish Red Cross and Save the Children relief-work in Poland at present, and our plans for the nearest future.

Finally I enclose as agreed an application from the Danish Red Cross for permission to buy 3 staff-cars and for increase of our petrol-ration.

As well my wife as I very much regret, that you intend to leave Poland. We look forward to your visiting us here in Wrzeszcz, before you are leaving, and I beg to write, that we shall be most happy to receive you in our home in Copenhagen, if you should ever come there.

With the most heartily greetings from my wife and myself I am, yours faithfully,

Sgn. Johs. Thyssen.

REST HOMES IN GERMANYProposal by Friends Relief Service (Quakers)

- (1) Friends Relief Service is the official relief Committee of the Society of Friends (Quakers) in Great Britain.
- (2) Its officers are:-

E. Russell Brayshaw	(Chairman)
Roger C. Wilson	(General Secretary)
Edith M. Pye	(Chairman, Overseas Committee)
Robert J. Rossborough	(Secretary, Overseas Committee)
- (3) It desires to establish rest homes in Germany for Europeans released from persecution under the Nazi regime. In so far as these will be Germans, they will have been displaced from their homes and persecuted by reason of race, religion, political belief or activities on behalf of the United Nations.
- (4) The details of the proposal are set out in the memorandum attached.
- (5) It is not considered possible to submit names of staff at this stage; it is necessary first to appoint a representative to go to Germany, to make the preliminary arrangements, and to report on the type of staff which should be used. It is desired to nominate William R. Hughes for this work. Mr. Hughes will probably be proceeding to Germany under invitation from the Education and Religious Affairs Division of the Control Commission, and no assistance in securing his passage is therefore required unless the arrangements with that Division break down. Details of Mr. Hughes are appended:

Full name:	William Ravenscroft Hughes	
Nationality:	British by birth	
Sex:	Male	Age: 65
Qualifications:	Since 1933 William Hughes has been engaged in Quaker work among Germans both in Germany and during the war years here in this country, and among internees on the Isle of Man. During the 3 years before the war he spent much time in Germany on behalf of Friends engaged in rescuing victims of Nazi persecution.	
- (6) Friends Relief Service will be responsible for the salaries, inoculations, clothing and equipment of its workers; it will not call upon UNRRA for any financial help for this scheme; its workers understand that they will be expected to comply with military law, and to work under the general co-ordination of UNRRA.
- (7) The approval of the British Government to this proposal was expressed by Mr. Richard Law, then Minister of State, on May 4th, 1945.
- (8) Brigadier French at the War Office wrote on July 12th 1945 (ref, 124/Germany/136) to Friends Relief Service "We have now heard from SHAEF that they are very favourably disposed toward your Society's proposal to establish a Rest Home in Germany".
- (9) Friends Relief Service now desires UNRRA to negotiate on its behalf the final approval of the military authorities for this scheme, and to give it all possible administrative and other assistance as an approved Supplementary Project.

13th September, 1945.

(Sgd) Roger Wilson
General Secretary

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F r i e n d s R e l i e f S e r v i c e

Proposals for Rest Homes in Germany for Europeans released from persecution under the Nazi regime

1. The Relief Service of the Society of Friends wishes for facilities to establish small rest homes in Germany where people who have suffered persecution at the hands of the Nazis could have a period of mental and spiritual, as well as physical, recuperation.
2. The Society of Friends ran such a place in Germany from 1933 to 1939 for persecuted Germans and their families. It had, of course, no sectarian purpose and received guests of all religious persuasions and of none. The qualifying factor was persecution under the regime.
3. Practical details of the proposed scheme cannot be profitably discussed except on the field in the light of local circumstances. But in the following paragraphs, guiding principles are set out. We should expect to start in a very small way. If the first home proved useful we should hope to establish more.
4. American Quakers have as great an interest in this project as British Quakers. If the project is sanctioned, we hope that we may be free to appoint British or American staff and that the location may be in either the British or American zone as may be most convenient to all concerned.
5. Principle of selection:
 - (a) Selection would be based on the suitability of guests, by reason of personal qualities or previous experience, or both, to take a responsible part in the administration of the affairs of their countrymen.
 - (b) It would be expected that the majority of those selected would be Germans, but in principle we should be ready to include suitable people of any nationality or stateless persons who would be likely to profit by a stay.
 - (c) Guests might be accompanied by suitable members of their immediate families, even if the latter had not been directly persecuted.
 - (d) It is recognised that selection of guests would have to be done in conjunction with representatives of the Allied Control authorities, and with representatives of national governments, when appropriate.
 - (e) The actual process of selection would be determined by prevailing conditions. Allied officials would doubtless know of some suitable persons; through the contacts of the Quaker relief workers who were at Belsen, we ourselves know of others. Trustworthy burgomasters and other Germans or non-Germans already engaged in administration could recommend others.
 - (f) The warden in charge would have to have the final negative control of admission in the interests of the guests as a whole.
6. Organisation and location of the homes.

It is impossible to make concrete proposals away from the spot. The following are some possibilities.

- (a) Staff: the warden would be a British or American Friend (if American Quakers are permitted to share responsibility). The assistants might be British, allied nationals, European refugees resident during the war in Britain, or U.S.A., or resident Europeans, as arranged with the occupying authority in the light of circumstances.

- (b) Location: to be determined in consultation with the occupying authority. The old rest-home in pre-war Nazi Germany was successively at Falkenstein near Frankfurt on Main, and at Bad Pyrmont, near Hanover. The latter is known to be undamaged and if the premises are available would be very suitable.
- (c) Size: we suggest that this sort of work is done best in very small groups of between 12 and 20. If the first home is successful, we should hope to establish more.
- (d) Equipment: preferably to be obtained on the spot, but if necessary could be supplied from U.K., given transport facilities.
- (e) Food: to live on the country as far as possible, supplemented when necessary either by allied army supplies or by gift exports from U.K. or U.S.A., given transport and export licences.
- (f) Cost: while welcoming any contribution in cash or kind from allied official sources, F.R.S. would be willing to find the whole cost of the establishment.

7. Status

The homes could only function with the goodwill of the occupying authority. We anticipate no difficulty about this. We wish also to make it clear that the staff must try to build up a friendly atmosphere with the Germans in the locality in the interests of the guests seeking recuperation, since there could be no sense of peacefulness in a cold or hostile atmosphere. The staff should be persons of discriminating judgment.

Since one of the most necessary aids to recuperation is an opportunity of talking freely with people who can report what has been going on in the outside world for the past 12 years, the wardens should have reasonable opportunities of inviting visitors from outside or inside Germany.

September, 1945.

Friends Relief Service,
Friends House,
Euston Road,
LONDON, N.W.1.

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To: Sir Michael Greagh
From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.
Subject: General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

You may like to know that a group called the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists of America have now arrived from America and are operating a general relief programme in Poland, especially in the cities of Gdynia, Gdansk, Warsaw, Lodz and Cracow, where the society has a fairly large congregation.

The relief consists chiefly of used clothing brought in from America, and food purchased in Denmark or bought from CARE.

The representative in Poland of the General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists, is Mr. Rye Andersen, who is assisted in his work by Mr. Kulak, head of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Krakow. The organisation is a member of the Council and has benefited so far from all privileges extended to Council members.

The American representative, Mr. J. J. Strahle, was in Warsaw some time ago and explained to us that the work of the Seventh-Day Adventists in Poland will be short-term and chiefly confined to relief to their congregation. For your information, in case you have occasion to get in touch with the group, the address is as follows: -

Mr. J. J. Strahle,
Director, European Relief Department,
General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists,
Takoma Park,
Washington 12, D.C.

We assisted Mr. Strahle when he was here, to make contact with the Danish Red Cross and other Danish voluntary organisations in Copenhagen, who in turn, have assisted him in getting his goods shipped from Denmark to Gdynia. I do not anticipate that this organisation will make any extensive addition to the relief work in Poland.

B. M. Wellington.
B. M. Wellington.

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To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, European Regional Office.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: Inomeuropeisk Mission

Some time ago I sent you a copy of a report on their work issued by the Swedish Inomeuropeisk Mission. I should like to say in addition, that I had the opportunity recently of seeing the work of the I. M. at Gdynia and Wrzeszcz, and was much impressed with the progress which they had made.

They have taken over a large house to be used as a recreation centre for the poorest mothers and children in the Wrzeszcz area, and are receiving there approximately 500 persons daily for food, clothing and medical aid.

The Inomeuropeisk Mission is now thinking of extending its work to Warsaw and to this end one of their representatives has returned to Sweden to discuss a possible programme of food and clothing relief. I am hoping very much to be able to encourage the I. M. to set up centres similar to that in Wrzeszcz, in Warsaw, Lodz, Ostrod and Krakow, before 1st. September. They would like to be able to do this, and can get physical resources, i.e. food and clothing from Sweden, but they are very short of personnel, as they use for their work Swedish pastors and other religious leaders, who are only free from their normal duties for short intervals.

I shall let you know when we hear further from Mme. Sandegrin about the prospects of extending this work to Warsaw, Krakow, Lodz and Ostrod.

B M Wellington
B. M. Wellington.



INTERNATIONAL RESCUE & RELIEF COMMITTEE
103 Park Ave., N.Y. 17, N.Y.

August 1, 1945.

PROGRAM FOR DISPLACED PERSONS IN GERMANY

1) MIGRATION SERVICE AND INTERNATIONAL CASE WORK

Since the International Rescue and Relief Committee has been specialising in this aspect of refugee relief work since 1935, we feel especially qualified to provide this type of service to displaced persons. In addition to rendering technical assistance in migration and resettlement causes, the IRRC will provide necessary transportation costs. In this connection, the IRRC may also wish to assist in those probable cases where, because of a technicality, UNRRA may accept financial responsibility for only part of a family.

2) INFORMATION SERVICE

Through connections with other branches of the IRRC, and with other relief committees, the IRRC will attempt to locate relatives and resources, and secure other information essential to the person assisted.

3) GUIDANCE FOR ADOLESCENTS

A surprisingly large percentage of the displaced persons in Germany are adolescents, who have been in camps since late childhood, and are now emerging into freedom without any preparation for the responsibilities and opportunities of adult life. Before these youths can make any decisions for the future, they will need counsel and guidance.

4) SUPPLEMENTARY MAINTENANCE

For those in assembly Centres who had been inmates of concentration camps, the IRRC will supply necessary maintenance, and rehabilitation treatment, over and above that supplied by UNRRA. There will be many persons residing in the shelters who have needs which should be met, but which the limitations of shelter assistance do not pay for.

5) RECUPERATIVE HOLIDAYS

If permitted by the military authorities, the IRRC will arrange and pay for short stays in rest houses for concentration camp victims, as one means of aiding them to regain their health.

This project will require the following staff:

- a) Head of mission, to supervise the progress of all projects, and be in direct charge of migration and resettlement services. This position is to be filled by Augusta Mayerson, a member of the IRRC staff at present attached to UNRRA in the Near East, and a known expert in the migration field.
- b) A psychiatric social worker, to supervise the adolescent guidance project.
- c) One case worker, for the information and recuperation services.
- d) Two or three case workers, to assist in the guidance and migration projects and to work on the supplementary maintenance project.

The budget for the German program is \$72,000 for the year 1945-46.

In addition, Donald M. Nelson is Honorary President and Lt. General William N. Haskell, Retired, has been employed as Executive Director of the organization.

C.A.R.E. is financed by contributions from its constituent members of approximately two thirds of a million dollars, by a commercial bank credit to cover its shipping, transportation and distribution costs overseas and by arrangements with War Assets Corporation for the purchase on credit of the initial stock of ten-in-one packaged rations.

Budgetary approval of member contributions has been given by the Budget Committee of the National War Fund and by the President's War Relief Control Board.

C.A.R.E.'s purpose is to operate a system of food remittances whereby individuals, groups, and organizations in the U.S. on payment of U.S. Dollars may designate individuals, groups and organizations in certain countries in Europe to whom C.A.R.E.'s representatives in such countries will make available standard food packages against signed receipts which will be returned to the senders. If for any reason such delivery cannot be made within a reasonable time, C.A.R.E. will refund the purchase price to the sender.

C.A.R.E. will send its own representatives into the countries of Europe in which it is to operate at the earliest possible time and through such representatives it hopes to make an agreement with a cooperative or similar organization in each country, having suitable handling facilities, to provide, with appropriate compensation, for the reception, transportation and warehousing of large lots of its food packages, or components, at central, regional and local warehouses at agreed points at which consignees will call and take delivery. In the initial stages and pending completion of the above arrangements it may be necessary temporarily to limit points of delivery to warehouses in areas adjacent to ports and larger cities and C.A.R.E. may also temporarily utilize the existing personnel, reception, transport and storage facilities in Europe of its constituent members. For example, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee has many experienced representatives and staff now in Europe and has warehouse facilities at many European points from which deliveries can temporarily be made on the arrival of food packages. Other constituent members also have similar facilities, particularly the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the American Friends Service Committee. Remittees will be located by post cards and upon presentation of their credentials at designated delivery points may take delivery of their packages. After World War I the American Relief Administration operated a similar system of food remittances and delivered to beneficiaries from central and local warehouses in Eastern and Central Europe over \$ 20,000.000 worth of food packages. Railway express may eventually be used for interior delivery especially in west and north Europe as, when and to the extent conditions warrant and also parcel post may be used, when C.A.R.E. has packages of its own design of allowable weight.

C.A.R.E. intends to procure its supplies in the U.S.A. and ship them abroad in large consignments, as sales of remittances indicate destination. Such supplies will be selected and packaged in accordance with indicated needs.

At the outset, however, C.A.R.E. has acquired approximately 3,000,000 ten-in-one packaged combat rations, declared surplus by the U.S. Army. These rations are concentrated prepared food products over a third of which consists of meats. They were designed to feed ten American combat soldiers for one day - a total of 30 meals or about 41,000 calories. As a supplement to foods available abroad locally this would provide an additional 500 calories per day to each member of a family of five for over two weeks.

The packages have a gross weight of 49 pounds and net weight of food components 25.7 pounds. They are specially packed in heavy cartons and will withstand unusually rugged handling. The average food content, in prepared form, of one package is canned solid meat, stews and hashes 9.6 pounds, grains and cereals 4.4 pounds, sugar 3.8 pounds, fruits 2.7 pounds, vegetables 2.5 pounds, beverage components 1.0 pound, evaporated milk 0.8 pounds, stabilized butter 0.5 and cheese 0.4 pounds. There are also small amounts of candy bars, chewing gum, cigarettes, matches, can openers, toilet tissue, paper towels and soap. The remitter will be advised (as was the case in the earlier operation of the American Relief Administration) that a margin to cover all unknown contingencies has been added to the sales price and that any balance remaining after costs will first be used for financing operations and ultimately for general relief or charitable purposes benefitting the various areas in which C.A.R.E. operates.

As soon as possible after it has begun the movement of its supplies and arranged for reception and storage overseas, C.A.R.E. will launch a sales campaign through its member organizations or by other public means, among those in the United States having friends or relatives in European countries in which it has arranged to operate, and among those who desire to make contributions for free general distribution of packages to those individuals or groups in any of such countries in greatest need. It is expected, based on the experience of the American Relief Administration after World War I, that a substantial volume of remittance orders will be purchased by public-spirited Americans for such free general distribution, and also by professional, educational, trade and craft groups in the United States for sister groups abroad.

The development of C.A.R.E. was fostered by the President's War Relief Control Board and has had the support of UNRRA, the State Department, The Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion and other Government agencies. Its constituent members are registered as private voluntary relief agencies by the President's War Relief Control Board. Because of the urgent need of a safe, non-commercial means by which United States citizens can assist friends and relatives in Europe, C.A.R.E. has wide support in Congress and in the Administration.

C.A.R.E. expects to negotiate agreements with interested European Governments affording military protection for its properties and its supplies in transit (unless adequate insurance covering them can be obtained), permitting its packages entry without duty, and guaranteeing against local ration discrimination against recipients. It will be

unable to ship packages to countries which will not grant these basic concessions, and in order to save time, it is hoped that they may be obtained by cable. Because of the non-profit nature of C.A.R.E.'s undertaking, it is also hoped that when its representatives arrive in Europe, other concessions, such as free or low-cost inland transport and warehousing will be obtainable.

Draft agreements will first be taken up with the Embassies in Washington of the governments concerned and to the extent necessary this will be followed by direct negotiations with such governments by C.A.R.E.'s representatives abroad.

C.A.R.E. is a non-governmental, voluntary relief agency proposing to undertake a service in which the American public has a deep interest, namely, a non-commercial means to help relatives, friends and colleagues in war-torn Europe. The operation will bring an additional source of supplementary aid, without cost, to needy peoples abroad. C.A.R.E.'s Board of Directors and Executive Committee serve without compensation. Its management includes public-spirited men who successfully carried out a similar large scale food remittance operation in Europe after World War.I. In view of the non-commercial, relief and public service nature of its activities C.A.R.E. bespeaks the full cooperation of the foreign governments, whose people will be benefitted.

1 Full report see Bradford letter
2 Cable Hennings - Summary B letter signed see
Bunting for substantiating details.

26 October 1945

TO: Richard R. Brown
FROM: Leonard L. Henninger
SUBJECT: Vaad Hahatzala

The following quoted cable communications indicate current status of the Vaad Hahatzala program and interests with reference to service to DPs in Germany:

No. 5492 to London 10 October

1. Reour 2949, par. 5 our 4713, our letter 22 August reference proposed services Vaad Hahatzala displaced persons program Germany. Request information status Vaad proposal.
2. Reference par. 2 letter 22 August, understand first shipment supplies via army transport now in Bremerhaven.
3. Vaad headquarters advised by their representatives Levin and Warhaftig in Paris that Levin's permit enter U.S. British Zones withdrawn and Warhaftig's refused on basis UNRRA to distribute above supplies.
4. Assume UNRRA will not distribute Vaad supplies in absence of agreement such distribution, and you will take steps to clarify situation.

No. 4896 from London 12 October

1. Your 5492 concerning Vaad Hahatzala programme. Frankfurt advises us one team of 2 or maximum 3 people could perform useful service under coordination of Joint Distribution Committee. This coordination in line with UNRRA policy Jewish agencies desirous of working in Germany. We are awaiting return of Rabbi Wohlgelemer from Stockholm next week to submit this recommendation.
2. Clarifying your paragraph 3 and 4 with Paris and will advise.

No. 5137 from London 19 October

Your 5492, our 4896.

Warhaftig called forward to Frankfurt to coordinate Vaad Hahatzala proposal with JDC. Lewin in Berlin backed American Embassy not UNRRA.

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No. 5964 to London 20 October

1. Reur 4896 Vaad Hahatzala headquarters New York designates Dr. Isaac Lewin, Rabbi Solomon P. Wohlgelernter, Dr. Zorach Warhaftig for work in Germany. Understand Lewin and Warhaftig now in Germany.
2. Rabbi Abraham Kalmanowitz, head Vaad Hahatzala, and his assistant Rabbi Zevi Tabory, visiting western European countries enroute Palestine. Vaad requests authorization these men visit Germany briefly connection with beginning work there.
3. If permission cannot be granted brief visit Kalmanowitz and Tabory in addition to three named paragraph one, they desire serve as alternates for two of them for period of visit. If this necessary Vaad headquarters will designate individuals to be replaced by Kalmanowitz and Tabory.
4. We supporting passports here assumption ~~and~~ other above arrangements acceptable.

No. 5327 from London 24 October

Your 5964.

Have referred your paragraph 2 concerning visit to Germany of Rabbis Kalmanowitz and Tabory to Frankfurt. Consider your paragraph 3 an undesirable maneuver.

- ① Rabbi Kalmanowitz has repeatedly indicated his desire to enter Germany in connection with the institution of the Vaad Hahatzala activities and has apparently been led to believe that UNRRA here would assist him to make such a visit. It would, of course, be preferable to him to be able to be in Germany with the three persons designated to represent Vaad Hahatzala there. He is, however, so desirous of visiting Germany himself, that he would be willing to accept the proposed alternative, which we would agree with ERO would constitute an undesirable maneuver. The Vaad is hopeful that it may be permitted to have additional representatives in Germany in order to carry on an expanded program of religious and cultural services to displaced Jews. It is my understanding that additional shipments of kosher foods and religious and ceremonial articles are to be made via Military transportation. The Vaad Hahatzala is authorized by the President's War Relief Control Board to ship supplies to Germany provided that such supplies are limited to kosher foods and religious articles.

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16th JUL 1946



To: Sir Michael Creagh,
Chief of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, London.

From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

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Subject: National Catholic Welfare Conference.

(X) Mr. George M. Szudy, representative of the War Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Conference, is now installed in Warsaw and to date he has completed several tours of Poland to consult with regional representatives of Caritas. He has also consulted with the director of the whole of Caritas at Kraków, and is now awaiting transport to enable him to continue his work from where Mr. Osinski left off.

Mr. Szudy has attended meetings of the Council and so far has obtained assistance as regards : -

1. Assistance in obtaining duty visa to enable him to go in and out of Poland as frequently as required in connection with his work.

2. Assistance in obtaining petrol - we have obtained for him a promise of 33,000 litres of petrol per month as soon as his transport is available.

3. Assistance in obtaining cars. The National Catholic Welfare plan to import 24 lorries and 2 staff cars in September. In the meantime we have taken up with the Prime Minister the question of loaning 29 lorries, 3 ambulances and 2 staff cars to the National Catholic Welfare.

The National Catholic Welfare Conference of America is the largest American Relief organisation represented here and will carry on a very extensive relief programme for Poland. To date the American Relief for Poland have distributed 5,000,000 lbs. of National Catholic Welfare goods. I have consulted the lists of supplies which will be shipped in the future. These total some 15 million pounds and represent a programme which may last more than a year.

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For your personal information, some difficulty exists between the National Catholic Welfare and the American Relief for Poland. Apparently the chief problem is that of difference in policy and method of operation between Mr. Osinski and Mr. Szudy. Both are referring their separate problems to their organisations. So far, we have managed to keep the quarrel out of the Council, and I have advised them both that their Headquarters should come to some agreement on the problems which exist, and instruct them accordingly, i.e. the quarrels between the American Relief for Poland and the National Catholic Welfare are not the affair of the Council and should not be made so.

Mr. Szudy is keeping in close touch with Cardinal Sapieha on all matters connected with his work and from what I can gather, is reporting very frequently to his headquarters in America.

Mr. Szudy intends to continue the past policy of the National Catholic Welfare, to keep staff down to a minimum and to work as far as possible through the indigenous agencies in Poland, which have at their disposal numerous physical facilities, including transport and personnel, which are necessary for such programme.

In addition, Mr. Szudy plans to rehabilitate certain of the regional sections of Caritas, which became somewhat disorganised during the war.

Roughly speaking, the special services rendered by the National Catholic Welfare in Poland consist of the following: -

1. Child Welfare services, including care of orphans, day nursery care, protective care (girls);
2. Educational services, e.g. vocational therapy, trade and vocational programmes.
3. Morale services, e.g. establishment and maintenance of welfare and relief centres, mobile canteens, etc.

The above is in addition to the general relief programme of distribution of physical relief.

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For its total programme the National Catholic Welfare had an initial budget of \$620,100. Some of this was drawn from the President's War Relief, but Mr. Szudy tells me that plans are afoot in America to obtain a settlement for the budget and the total budget for 1947 by private subscription.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce M. Wellington

B. M. Wellington,

July 16th, 1946.

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23 JUL 1946

18th July 1946.

To: Sir Michael Creagh
From: B. M. Wellington,
Office of Liaison with Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA, Warsaw.

Subject: Philadelphian Relief Society.

You may like to know that the Rev. Sargent has arrived in Poland, representing the "Philadelphian Relief Society" of America and Canada.

Mr. Sargent is Polish born, Canadian naturalised, a Minister in Canada of the Church of England, being the representative here of an American organisation called the "Friends of Israel", as well as of the Philadelphian Society, which is one of the many religious societies in the USA.

From what I can gather, Mr. Sargent's chief aim is to work among selected people, without discrimination as to race, creed or political affiliation, to provide physical relief in goods or money where needed.

Mr. Sargent will not maintain a large office here. My own view is that he will work more or less single-handed, as he is very anxious to maintain personal contact with the people to whom he provides relief.

I am not quite sure what are the political aims of his organisation, but from his conversation I judge that he has other aims besides interest in relief work.

I shall keep you informed as to the progress of the work of this organisation.

B M Wellington
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23rd October 1945.

Sir Michael Creagh,
Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit,
United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration,
11, Portland Place,
London, W. 1.

Dear Sir Michael,

1) I beg to attach the amended lists of Relief Teams, which cancel those sent to you on the 11th inst. They have been altered in accordance with our discussion, when we agreed to delete the Teams intended for Berlin and Greece.

One addition will be found in Team No. 5 for Italy, namely, Rabbi Solomon HALBERSTAM, who is already there. We should be deeply grateful if in the special circumstances, his recommendation as a relief worker provided by our Council, could be expedited.

2) In accordance with your kind promise, we shall be grateful if you would take up by cable with your mission in Italy, the question of our Teams for that area. As you know, it is one with many problems for a large number of Jewish Displaced Persons.

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Says
no by telegram*

3) Your letter dated the 19th inst., has now been considered by our Executive Committee, and we beg to make the following observations: Our original proposal submitted in June was not withdrawn or absorbed within the plans of the Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad. Nor were we at any time consulted by the J.C.R.A. concerning such a suggestion. It is true that for some time past, we as an independent relief agency associated with The Council of British Societies for Relief Abroad, have been co-operating with the J.C.R.A., and it is indeed our intention to continue to do so, but we have never contemplated carrying out our work "inside the over-all plans of the J.C.R.A."

For your information, I think you should know that the J.C.R.A. has never offered us co-operation in the usual sense of the term; "absorption" would better describe their offer to us.

P.T.O.

As already explained, our Council's activities are directed from the religious angle, and experience spread over many years and many countries has shown us that this type of work, if it is to be successful, must have some independence and self-sufficiency. Thus, it becomes our duty to introduce the material relief work into our more spiritual field. This is especially so in the case of Jews, whose entire organised life throughout centuries has been centred in and around the Synagogue-Community.

Hence you will find that our teams, though small, are self-contained and can be used effectively on their own. It is of course understood that we shall readily submit to any co-ordination that U.N.R.R.A. may desire to see carried out in the field.

Our Council has already laid down the policy that its workers in the field will fit into any plan co-ordinating Jewish relief workers of all types in their particular area. Our only desire is to place in the field these few religious relief teams to operate in the general interest of the Displaced Persons while, at the same time, encouraging them to re-establish their own communal organisation.

We fully appreciate the desire of the authorities to prevent the multiplicity of separate relief organisations. Our own Council is in a singular position in so far as it is the agency of the recognised Chief Rabbinate of the United Hebrew Congregations of the British Empire, and as such, is the only other Jewish body outside the J.C.R.A., associated with C.O.B.S.R.A. Our activities have been on a considerable scale, and in so far as relief supplies and personnel are concerned, I do not think we need give first place to any "Major Organisation."

In order to simplify matters for you, we should be prepared to combine our own relief activities with those of the Vaad Hatzalah Emergency Committee of the U.S.A., with whom U.N.R.R.A. is also negotiating. They are a body working on similar lines to our own, and have agreed to the combination of our joint activities regarding relief personnel, into one Anglo-American Jewish Religious Emergency Union. We should be grateful to hear whether this proposition proves in any way attractive to you.

4) Motor Fuel and Oil for Synagogue-Ambulances. - these vehicles supplied by our Organisation to the Jewish Communities of Holland, Greece and Poland are hampered through the lack of official sources of fuel. In other countries such as France, Belgium and Czechoslovakia and Germany, where our vehicles are also operating, no difficulties have been experienced so far. Would it not be possible for U.N.R.R.A. to permit these vehicles to draw their petrol and oil from U.N.R.R.A. sources in Poland, Holland and Greece? Payment would in all cases be made by our Council, either here, or if so desired, locally. I anticipate that you will say that the vehicles are not being operated by U.N.R.R.A., and that therefore it is difficult for them to be included under your arrangements. The vehicles are however being operated by and for our Council. Is there no arrangement whereby recognised voluntary agencies having vehicles for bona fide relief purposes can be supplied (cont.)

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(Cont. 1.).

Sir Michael Creagh,
U.N.R.R.A.

through U.N.R.R.A.?

5) There is no necessity for you to trouble further concerning the cars for the Rabbis in N.W. Germany. We have been informed that the War Office is arranging for their transportation.

I apologise for having to trouble you with these points, and hope that, in spite of your many other preoccupations, you will be able to give them your kind and sympathetic consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Schonfeld

Executive Director.

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Names of Ministers of Religion and Theological Students
Enrolled with the Chief Rabbi's Religious Emergency Council
for Religious and Relief Work in Europe.

Team I.

already operating with Military Government.

Rabbi Solomon BAUMGARTEN.

The Rev. Abraham GREENBAUM.

Rabbi Dr. Eli MUNK.

One substitute for Rabbi Joseph VILENSKI, to be provided.

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Team II. (N.W. Germany).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
ANGEL David.	22	British	English, French Yiddish.	Minister, Teacher, Camping, First Aid.
BLEDY Alexander.	22	Czech.	English, Yiddish, Hebrew, Czech. Hungarian.	First Aid, Driving, Camping, teaching.
LESSER S. M.	21	British.	English, French, Dutch.	Driving, Elect. Engineering.
WERJUKA H.	22	Polish.	English, French, German, Yiddish.	Agric. work, catering.

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Team III. (Southern Germany).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
GRODZINSKI Harry	36	British.	English, German, Yiddish, French.	Driving, Baking.
REICH David.	24	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Relief & welfare work, Canteen & Hostel Organisation.
REISZ Desider	20	Czech.	English, Yiddish, Czech. German.	Teaching, Camping.
COHEN Meir.	22	British.	English, French, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Welfare.

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Team IV (Austria)

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
REICH Judah	30	British.	English, French, Yiddish German.	Teaching, Camping.
GOODMAN Joseph	20	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Driving, Camping, teaching.
MOORE Basil.	22	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Camping.
ZANVEL Micahel	22	British.	English, Hebrew, Yiddish, German.	Child Welfare Canteen work.

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Team V (Italy - coming from Palestine).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
SHRAGAI Shlomoh Zalman.	46	Polish.	Yiddish, Hebrew, English, Polish.	Educationist, Welfare Organiser.
MYSZKOWSKI Josel	63	Polish.	Hebrew, Yiddish, Polish, Russian.	Educationist, Rabbi.
MINC Benjamin Bajmysz.	42	Polish.	Polish, German, French, Yiddish.	Educationist, Relief Worker.
HALBERSTAM Solomon, (Already in Italy)	approx. 40.	Polish.	Polish, German, Yiddish, Hebrew.	Rabbi, Organiser.

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Team VI. (Italy II).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
GANCE Leonard.	25.	British.	English, French, Yiddish.	First Aid, Driving.
WINZELBERG J.	20.	Polish.	English, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Camping, Agric. Work.
TENENBAUM Giuseppe.	20.	Stateless.	English, Italian, German, Yiddish, French.	Student, Welfare worker, Camping, Teaching.
GUTTENTAG Michael.	21.	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Driving, Teaching.
SPIELMAN Herman.	23.	Polish.	English, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Farming, Cooking.

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REC/S/W

12th Oct. 1945.

Displaced Persons Department,
U.N.R.R.A., 170a, Gt. Portland Street,
London, W. 1.

Dear Sirs,

We have pleasure in submitting to you our proposal to send eight relief teams to the Camps for Displaced Persons on the lines set out in my letter, of ~~the~~ June 6th

1. Our Council desires to work under the SHAEF programme for Displaced Persons in Germany.
2. Our Council is a voluntary relief agency and as such, would be affected by SHAEF policies and procedures governing voluntary relief agencies which deal with the care and repatriation of Displaced Persons in Germany.
3. We are prepared to accept established SHAEF policy that UNRRA shall supervise and co-ordinate the work of the voluntary relief agencies with displaced persons in Germany.
4. This proposal develops a working relationship between our Council and UNRRA.
5. Our Council agrees to:
 - a) Comply with Military Law to serve under the jurisdiction of the Commander of the formation to which members of the Council may be attached as individuals or as a group.
 - b) Perform its activities with displaced persons in Germany in the SHAEF programme under the supervision and co-ordination of UNRRA.
 - c) Submit to UNRRA
 - (1) Plan of operations which will include:-
 - (i) Name of organisation.
 - (ii) Names of principal officers, annual report.

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(iii) Description of activities in which our Council proposes to engage, methods to be employed.

(iv) Official statement of approval by its Government for agency to operate in Germany in displaced persons programme.

(v) Statement showing the number and qualification of personnel involved and personnel and organisational equipment available.

d) Arrange for the salaries, inoculations, clothing and equipment of personnel employed by the Council.

e) Negotiate with UNRRA from time to time such further detailed arrangements and procedures as the situation requires.

We understand that UNRRA will present our plan to SHAEF for final approval, and will notify us of SHAEF's action. We also understand that UNRRA will serve as a channel of communication between ourselves and SHAEF and arrange with appropriate military commanders for such UNRRA co-ordination and supervision as may be required at the various military echelons, and develop for our Council through co-ordinated efforts, fullest possible opportunities for service to displaced persons in Germany.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Khanfeld
Executive Director.

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12th October 1945.

Sir Michael Creagh,
Vol. Secy. Liaison Unit,
United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration,
11, Portland Place, W. 1.

Dear Sir Michael,

1) With further reference to our recent conversation, I beg to submit the new proposal ~~in~~ in respect of the Relief Teams which our Council wishes to operate, as well as a list of the members of the eight Teams we wish to send out, in addition to the Team of four Rabbis already working under our auspices in N. W. Germany. The following allocation is proposed:

- 2 Teams to N. W. Germany.
- 2 Teams to S. Germany.
- 2 Teams to Italy.
- 1 Team to Austria.
- 1 Team to Berlin.
- 1 Team to Greece, to operate also in other Balkan countries.

Each Team is to be equipped with one of our Mobile Synagogue-Ambulances, and is, as I explained, a Religious Relief Team whose members are either Ministers of religion, or Theological Students, and whose main task it will be to encourage Jewish Displaced Persons to re-group themselves into Communities, and to organise their own welfare and relief activities.

I shall be grateful if you will kindly point out to Headquarters that this is our second proposal, the first, which was forwarded to them some time in June, not having been dealt with. Anything you can do to expedite this matter which seems to be most pressing, will be deeply appreciated.

2) With regard to our Rabbis working under the War Office in N. W. Germany, arrangements have been made for the early return of the three members at present on leave in this country, and this is being carried out by the War Office. We should however ~~like~~ ~~for~~ the Rabbis to come under your jurisdiction, and we wonder whether, even before Dr. Munk has inter-

P.T.O.

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With best thanks, I am, Sir, very truly and respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. P.

Yours sincerely, [Signature]

Solomon Schonfeld

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Team I.

already operating with Military Government, in N.W. Germany.

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Abraham GREENBAUM.

Eli MUNK.

Joseph VILENSKI.

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Team 2. (N.W. Germany.)

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
BLEDY Alexander.	22	Czech.	English, Yiddish, Hebrew, Czech. Hungarian.	First-aid, Driving, camping, teaching.
LESSER S.M.	21	British.	English, French, Dutch.	Driving, Elect. Engineering.
WERJUKA H.	22	Polish.	English, French, German, Yiddish.	Agric. work, catering.

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Team III. (Southern Germany).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
GRODZINSKI Harry	36	British.	English, German, Yiddish, French.	Driving, baking.
REISZ Desider	20	Czech.	English, Yiddish, Czech. German.	Teaching, Camping.
COHEN Meir	22	British	English, French, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Welfare.

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Team IV (Austria).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
HEILPERN Godel	35	British.	English, Yiddish, French, German.	Driving, Organising, Welfare Work, Qual.Circumciser.
GOODMAN Joseph	20	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Driving, Camping, teaching.
MOORE Basil.	23	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Camping.

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Team V (Italy - coming from Palestine).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
SCHRAGAI Shlomoh Zalman	43	Palestinian.	Yiddish, Hebrew, English, Polish.	Educationist, Welfare Organiser.
MISHKOWSKI Chiskiyahu Joseph.	55	"	Hebrew, Yiddish, Polish, Russian.	Educationist, Rabbi.
MUNZ Benjamin.	40	"	Polish, German, French, Yiddish.	Educationist, Relief Worker.

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Team VI. (Italy II).

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
GANCE Leonard.	25	British.	English, French, Yiddish.	First Aid, Driving.
WINZELBERG J.	20	Polish.	English, German, Yiddish.	Teaching, Camping, Agric. Work.
ARNDT Curt	35	Canadian	English, Italian, German, Yiddish	Minister-teacher, welfare worker.
TENENBAUM Giuseppe	20	stateless (former, Polish)	English Italian German Yiddish French	student, welfare worker, camping, teaching

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<u>Name.</u>	<u>Age.</u>	<u>Nationality.</u>	<u>Languages.</u>	<u>Special Qualifications.</u>
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Team VII (Greece).

ANGEL David C.	21	British.	English, Yiddish, French.	First-aid, Camping.
GUTTENTAG Michael.	21	British.	English, German, Yiddish.	Driving, Child Welfare.
SPIELMAN Herman.	23	Polish.	English, German, Yiddish.	Farming, Cooking.

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30th January, 1947

Miss Molly Flynn,
Special Assistant,
Deputy Director General,
Bureau of Services,
Dupont Circle,
UNRRA Washington.

Attention Miss Douglas.

Dear Miss Douglas,

I enclose a copy of a letter which has been sent out to all British and Continental voluntary agencies who have worked in the UNRRA Missions and D.P. Operations in Europe. As you will see, it was signed personally by the Personal Representative of the Director General. We feel that in the case of the American voluntary agencies, it would be better if a similar letter could be sent from the Washington office, signed by the Director General. I wonder if you could arrange this and get approval and let me know when the letters are sent out.

Yours sincerely,

MRS. P. TIARKS,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.



Letter of thanks to voluntary societies.

Office of the Director General

28 January 47

To A

I have much pleasure in enclosing a copy of a Resolution adopted by the Council of UNRRA at its Sixth Session in Washington in December last expressing the Council's appreciation and gratitude for the splendid work which has been done and is still being done by the voluntary societies in the devastated countries of Europe.

I am asked also to convey to you the personal thanks and deep appreciation of the Director General, with which I would wish heartily to associate myself.

The Administration is deeply appreciative of the work done by all the voluntary societies and of the assistance it has obtained from them, and, now that the conclusion of its work is in sight, wishes to express the hope that these societies will be able and willing to continue their efforts after UNRRA's work comes to an end.

With regard to the work of your own society, I am asked in particular to say how much we appreciate B

A
Viscountess Falmouth, O.B.E.,
Chairman,
Civilian Relief Overseas,
British Red Cross and St. John
War Organisation Headquarters,
14, Grosvenor Crescent,
S.W.1.

Miss Lettice Jowitt, M.B.E.,
General Secretary,
Friends' Relief Service
Committee,
Friends' House,
Barton Road,
N.W.1.

Lord Rowallan, M.C., F.R.S.,
The Chief Scout,
Boy Scouts' Association,
Imperial Headquarters,
25, Buckingham Palace Road,
S.W.1.

Miss E. Ward, J.P.,
Chairman,
Guides' International Service,
17-19, Buckingham Palace Road,
S.W.1.

Lieutenant-Colonel
Albert E. Dalziel,
European Relief Department,
Salvation Army,
113, Queen Victoria Street,
E.C.4.

B
all that your teams have done operating directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in the Middle East and Greece, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in the Middle East, Greece, Poland, the Rodeanese and Italy, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating directly with the UNRRA Missions in Greece, Italy and the Middle East, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating with the UNRRA Missions in Greece, Italy, and the Middle East, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating directly with the UNRRA Mission in Czechoslovakia, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chief of Mission, Czechoslovakia, and the Chief of Operations, Germany, together with their staffs, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

A.
Captain G. F. Greevy, D.S.O.,
General Secretary,
Save the Children Fund,
20, Gordon Square,
W.C.1.

Sir Desmond Morton, K.C.B., C.B.,
C.M.G.,
Chairman,
Catholic Committee for Relief
Abroad,
39, Charles Street,
Berkeley Square,
W.1.

David Sainty, Esq., M.B.E., M.A.,
General Secretary,
International Voluntary
Service for Peace,
11A, St. Andrew's Road,
W.13.

Leonard Cohen, Esq.,
Chairman,
Jewish Committee for Relief
Abroad,
7, Endsleigh Place,
Tavistock Street,
W.C.1.

The Reverend G. J. G. Grieve,
B.A.,
Chairman,
Unitarian Service Committee,
14, Gordon Square,
W.C.1.

Mrs. Arethusa Leigh-White, O.B.E.,
Director,
World Bureau of Girl Guides and
Girl Scouts,
9, Palace Street,
Westminster,
S.W.1.

E. Dobkin, Esq.,
Jewish Agency for Palestine,
Jerusalem Post Office Box No. 92

B.
all that you have done, especially in regard to
your supplementary projects, either through the
secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating
directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions
in Greece, the Middle East, Yugoslavia, Poland,
Italy and Hungary, and the Displaced Persons
Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and
their staff in the areas concerned, together with
the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff,
are also most anxious to associate themselves
with the contents of this letter.

It will be recalled that you have done, either through the
secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating
directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Mission
in the Middle East and Italy, and the Displaced
Persons Operation in Germany. The Chiefs of
Missions and their staff in the areas concerned,
together with the Chief of Operations, Germany,
and his staff, are also most anxious to associate
themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the
secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating
directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions
in Greece, Italy and the Middle East, and the
Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The
Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas
concerned, together with the Chief of Operations,
Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to
associate themselves with the contents of this
letter.

all that you have done, either through the
secondment of individuals, or of teams, operating
with the UNRRA Missions in Austria, Greece, Italy
and the Middle East, and the Displaced Persons
Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and
their staff in the areas concerned, together with
the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff,
are also most anxious to associate themselves
with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, both through individuals
operating directly with the UNRRA Missions in
Czechoslovakia and Hungary in the setting up of
supplementary projects, and through your valuable
contribution of supplies. The Chiefs of Missions
and their staff in the areas concerned are also
most anxious to associate themselves with the
contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the
secondment of individuals acting in an advisory
capacity, or of teams working directly in co-
operation with the UNRRA Displaced Persons
Operation, Germany. The Chief of Operations
and his staff are also most anxious to associate
themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that your teams have done operating directly
in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in Greece
and Italy, and the Displaced Persons Operation,
Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff
in the areas concerned, together with the Chief
of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also
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Mr. Tracy Strong,
General Secretary,
World's L.H.A. - I.W.O.A.,
47, Quai Wilson,
Geneva.

Dr. Hans Gensherdt,
Chairman,
World Student Relief and
International Student
Service,
13, Rue Calvin,
Geneva.

Dr. Max Huber,
President,
International Red Cross,
Geneva.

A. J. Halpern, Esq.,
Chairman,
Organisation for Reconstruc-
tion and Training,
85, New Cavendish Street,
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Captain A. G. Brown,
Secretary General,
Australian Red Cross Society,
122, St Andrew Street,
Melbourne,
Victoria,
Australia.

Judge W. H. Ramsbottom,
Chairman,
South African Red Cross,
His Majesty's Buildings,
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R. E. Campbell, Esq.,
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Monsieur R. Olgiati,
Director,
Don Suisse pour les Victimes
de la Guerre,
Office Centrale,
Vaubanstrasse 53,
Bern.

B.

all that your teams have done operating directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in the Middle East, Greece, Austria and Poland, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done, either through the recruitment of individuals in an advisory capacity, or of teams, operating with the UNRRA Missions in Greece and Poland and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in Poland, Austria and Hungary, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany, by the contribution of supplies and medical teams. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that you have done in setting up workshops for training Displaced Persons, in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in Austria and Italy and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that your team has done operating directly with the UNRRA Mission, Greece, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The Chief of Mission and the Chief of Operations, together with their staffs, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that your teams have done operating directly with the UNRRA Mission in Greece. The Chief of Mission and his staff are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

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all that you have done in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in Poland and Hungary, and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany, and by the valuable contribution of supplies. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned, together with the Chief of Operations, Germany, and his staff, are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

A.
Dr. B. Konikiewicz,
President,
Polish Red Cross,
49, Rue Nowogrodzka,
Warsaw.

Medecin General A. Sloc,
Croix Rouge Francaise,
17, Rue Cassin-Baudart,
Paris, VIII.

M. Zanotti Bianco,
President,
Italian Red Cross,
Rome.

General Vicherek,
President,
Czechoslovak Red Cross,
Prague III,
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Monsieur Pierre de Page,
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96, Chaussee de Vleurgat,
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Mr. H. A. M. van Fetsich-Verschuur,
President,
Netherlands Red Cross,
The Hague.

M. Ath. Philon,
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Greek Red Cross,
1, Mackenzie King Street,
Athens.

R. McG. Sager, Esq., C.B.E., M.A.,
Secretary General,
National Institute for the Blind,
224, Great Portland Street,
W.1.

B.
all that you have done by operating directly
with the UNRRA Mission in Austria, and the
Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The
Chief of Mission, Austria, and the Chief of
Operations, Germany, together with their staffs,
are also most anxious to associate themselves
with the contents of this letter.

all that your teams have done in co-operation
with the UNRRA Mission in Austria and the
Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The
Chief of Mission, Austria, and the Chief of
Operations, Germany, together with their staffs,
are also most anxious to associate themselves
with the contents of this letter.

all that your teams have done operating directly
in co-operation with the UNRRA Displaced Persons
Operation, Germany. The Chief of Operations
and his staff are also most anxious to associate
themselves with the contents of this letter.

all that your teams have done operating directly
in co-operation with the UNRRA Mission, Austria,
and the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany.
The Chief of Mission, Austria, and the Chief of
Operations, Germany, together with their staffs,
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all that you have done in co-operation with the
Displaced Persons Operation, Germany. The
Chief of Operations and his staff are also most
anxious to associate themselves with the contents
of this letter.

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all that you have done, either through the
secondment of individuals to the Central
Tracing Bureau, or through teams working directly
in co-operation with the UNRRA Displaced
Persons Operation, Germany. The Chief of
Operations and his staff are also most anxious
to associate themselves with the contents of
this letter.

the loan of a specialist from your society to
the UNRRA Mission, Greece, and the undertaking
of a survey for the needs of the blind in
assembly centres in Germany. In addition, we
have to thank you for the gift of valuable
apparatus. The Chief of Mission, Greece, and
the Chief of Operations, Germany, together with
their staffs, are also most anxious to associate
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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

Czechoslovak Mission, Prague
Praha X, Kralovska 1, Palac Atlas.

January 24th, 1947.

To: European Regional Office
Services Division

From: *for* Gertrude Gates *EK*
Chief of Repatriation Division

Subject: Voluntary Agencies Working with UNRRA

Listed below are the Voluntary Agencies working with UNRRA.
This information has been requested by your cable #2074 of Dec. 13th.
Also see our cable # 2192 of Dec. 18th 1946.

UNITARIA - Dr. Haspl - Praha I, Karlova ul.

AMERICAN RELIEF FOR CSR - Miss Vlasta Vrazova - Praha II, Jana Opletala 19.

CATHOLIC WAR RELIEF - Mr. J. W. Sullivan - Praha III, Snemovni 13.

AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - Mr. St. Pratt - Praha II, Jungmanova ul.
Husuv dum.

Y.M.C.A. - Mr. L. Aplin (Mr. Mason) - Praha II, Na Porici 12.

Y.W.C.A. * Miss Hamlin (Miss Heim) - Praha II, Zitna 12.

CZECHOSLOVAK NATIONAL ALLIANCE IN CANADA - Ing. K. Buzek - 45, Richmond St. West
Toronto, Ontario

COMMITTEE FOR WELFARE OF ORPHANS AFTER VICTIMS OF GESTAPO - Dr. Z. Cerna -
Praha II, Karlovo nam 25.

IRISH RED CROSS SOCIETY - Mr. Patrick Power - Dublin

SALVATION ARMY - Major Flouman - Praha-Krc, Budejovicka 222

CZECHOSLOVAK RELIEF ACTION - Mr. O. Englander - 52, Lennox Gardens, London SW.1.

WORLD FRIENDSHIP - Mr. Niemann - 29, Portsmann Sq. London W.1.

CZECH NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF AMERICA - Mrs. Kousova - Praha XI, Jicinska 35

A.J.D.C. - Mr. J. Jacobsch - Praha V, Josefovská 7/

SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND - Georges Phelin - Geneve, 43 Quai Wilson



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22nd January, 1947

Miss Marjorie Bradford,
Voluntary Societies
Liaison Officer,
UNRRA C.H.Q.,
Arolsen.

Dear Marjorie,

Enclosed is a letter from Sir Michael, who was very pleased with yours.

I expect you have already received a cable from Mr. Myer Cohen asking you to attend the International Conference of Social Work to be held in Paris on 12th and 13th February. Miss Gifford and Mr. Cohen thought that you would be the expert necessary to represent UNRRA. Attached is a copy of the Agenda together with a list of the voluntary organisations who have received invitations to attend.

We still have no official news of any move but I hope to see you in Paris one day!

Yours sincerely,



MRS. P. TIARKS,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

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22nd January, 1947

G. E. Haynes, Esq.,
Treasurer-General,
International Conference of
Social Work,
26, Bedford Square,
W.C.1.

Dear Mr. Haynes,

Thank you for your letter of 14th January enclosing an invitation for an UNRRA representative to be present at the International Conference of Social Work in Paris on 12th and 13th February.

We have appointed Miss Marjorie Bradford as our representative. Miss Bradford is the Chief Voluntary Societies Liaison Officer with the Displaced Persons Operation, Germany, and has much experience in all voluntary agency work being carried on among the displaced persons in Germany.

Yours sincerely,



SELENE GIFFORD,
DIRECTOR,
DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION.

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17th January, 1947

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Letter of thanks to voluntary societies.

To -
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I am asked also to convey to you the personal thanks and deep appreciation of the Director General, with which I would wish heartily to associate myself.

The Administration is deeply appreciative of the work done by all the voluntary societies and of the assistance it has obtained from them, and, now that the conclusion of its work is in sight, wishes to express the hope that these societies will be able and willing to continue their efforts after UNRRA's work comes to an end.

With regard to the work of your own society, I am asked in particular to say how much we appreciate all that you have done, either through the secondment of individuals or of teams or by operating directly in co-operation with the UNRRA Missions in B. The Chiefs of Missions and their staff in the areas concerned are also most anxious to associate themselves with the contents of this letter.

Personal Representative of the Director-
General.

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Germany, Greece, Poland
and Italy

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Germany and
Czechoslovakia

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slavia, Poland, Italy
and Hungary

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Dr. Hans Gossardit,
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Germany and Italy

Germany, Greece and Italy

Germany, Austria, Greece
and Italy

Czechoslovakia and Hungary

Germany

Germany, Greece and Italy

Germany, Austria and Poland

Germany, Greece and Poland

Germany, Poland, Austria and
Hungary

Germany, Austria and Italy

Germany and Greece

Greece

Names and addresses of voluntary societies who were sent letters of appreciation by P.R.D.G. (continued) -

A.	B.
R. M. Campbell, Esq., Chairman, New Zealand Council of Organisation for Relief Service Overseas, Box 11, Government Buildings Post Office, Wellington.	Greece
Viscountess Weir, Honorary President, Scottish Fund for the Children of Greece, 7, Victoria Circus, Glasgow, W.2.	Greece
Monsieur R. Olgiapi, Director, Don Suisse pour les victimes de la guerre, Office Centrale, Wabernstrasse 55, Bern.	Germany, Poland, Austria and Hungary
Olaf Hambro, Esq., Chairman, Aid to Greece Fund, 41, Bishopsgate, E.C.2.	Greece
Dr. B. Kostkiewicz, President, Polish Red Cross, Rue Nowogrodzka, 49, Warsaw.	Germany and Austria
Medecin General A. Sico, Croix Rouge Francaise, 17, Rue Quentin Bauchart, Paris, VIII.	Germany and Austria
M. Zanotti Bianco, President, Italian Red Cross, Rome.	Germany
Mr. Ath. Philon, President, Greek Red Cross, 2, Mackenzie King Street, Athens.	Germany
General Vicherek, President, Czechoslovak Red Cross, Prague III, Dumovaka.	Germany and Austria.

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MLH/SMS

14th January 1947

Miss Gifford,
European Regional Office,
UNRRA,
11 Portland Place,
London W.1.

Dear Miss Gifford,

I am sending you the attached copy of a letter of invitation to international voluntary organisations to attend a conference to be held in Paris on February 12th and 13th on Relief and Reconstruction, as we hope that the United Nations' Relief and Rehabilitation Administration will be able to provide a representative to be present during the conference.

In view of the importance of the problems which are to be discussed, we greatly hope that the United Nations' Relief and Rehabilitation Administration will be represented at this conference as we believe that the occasion will provide a valuable opportunity for consultation on a number of matters of mutual concern.

Yours very truly,

R. Haynes.



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13th January, 1947.

Dear Mrs. Tiarks,

Thank you for your letter of the 6th January enclosing a copy of the resolution relating to the work of voluntary agencies adopted by the UNRRA Council at its meeting on the 13th December, 1946.

The resolution was read to the Council of British Societies for Relief Abroad at its meeting on the 8th January, 1947 and I am asked to express the sincere appreciation of the Council.

I return you herewith a copy of a letter attached to the resolution which I think was not intended for us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Tiarks,
UNRRA,
13, Portland Place,
LONDON, W. 1



Miss Gibbons

27 December 1946

My dear Mr. Minister:

I take pleasure in sending you a copy of Resolution No. 113, passed by the UNRRA Council at its Sixth Session, in appreciation of the efforts and accomplishments of voluntary agencies which have contributed to the furtherance of the Administration's activities.

I will be grateful if you would transmit this resolution to all voluntary agencies connected with the New Zealand Council of Organizations for Relief Overseas who have cooperated in the work of UNRRA.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Kuo
Deputy Director General
In Charge of the Secretariat

Enclosure

The Honorable
Sir Carl Berendsen
Minister of New Zealand
19 Observatory Circle
Washington, D.C.



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FOREIGN OFFICE,

S.W.1.

8th January, 1947.

Dear Mrs. Tiarks,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 6th January and for the sympathy expressed by you and Sir Michael Creagh.

Brigadier Gabbett's death is indeed a great loss. He took such a deep interest in the work of the Department, particularly in all its relief activities, and enjoyed very much the happy cooperation we had with your Department.

Yours sincerely,

J. Murray

Mrs. Tiarks,
U.N.R.R.A.,
13 Portland Place.



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9th January, 1947

W. D. Hogarth, Esq.,
Council of British Societies
for Relief Abroad,
75, Victoria Street,
S. W. 1.

Dear Mr. Hogarth,



I referred yesterday to a copy of the report of the third meeting of the United Nations/UNRRA/Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees Joint Planning Committee, which was attended by Dr. Joseph Chamberlain, Chairman of the American Council, and various representatives of the American voluntary agencies.

I had a word with Miss Gifford who points out that we are not in possession of reports of the other meetings held on the same subjects, and it might be more satisfactory to get in touch direct with Dr. Chamberlain who would, I am sure, forward you copies of reports on all meetings hitherto held concerning the future work of voluntary societies in the D.P. field.

Yours sincerely,

MRS. P. TIARKS,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

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6th January, 1946

W. D. Hogarth, Esq.,
Council of British Societies
for Relief Abroad,
75, Victoria Street,
S.W.1.

Dear Mr. Hogarth,

I have been asked to pass to you the attached letter and a copy of the Resolution passed at the UMRA Sixth Council Session, relating to the work of voluntary agencies.

Copies have already been sent to the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, Australian Council of Voluntary Agencies, New Zealand Council of Organisations for Relief Overseas, and the South African Council of Voluntary Agencies.

Yours sincerely,



MRS. P. TANKS,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT

ext. 136
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6th January, 1946

Miss Murray,
Foreign Office
(Relief Department),
S.W.1.

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Dear Miss Murray,

I have just heard of the death of Brigadier Gabbett and I should like to express the deep regret Sir Michael Creagh and I feel at this news. Our department in UNRRA has always had the fullest and most friendly co-operation from Brigadier Gabbett and his department and we are indeed sorry to learn of his death.

Yours sincerely,

MRS. P. FLARKE,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.



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Vol. Sec. Liaison Unit
Mrs. Marks

ENIGMA.....TO.....LONDON

No. 14
En clair

Dated: 3rd January 1947
Rec'd: 4th January 1947
0844 hours

Re your 2530. Government have on several occasions taken opportunity of stating their gratitude to members SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND, FRIENDS AMBULANCE UNIT for "their valuable contribution in work of rebuilding the country" Work for UNRWA concluded and Welfare, but Doctor MacPhail's unit continues under separate agreement shortly to be concluded. Doctor Singer's unit repatriated but she herself continues work in individual capacity.

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My dear Miss Gibbons:

I have transmitted the attached letter and a copy of the resolution passed at the Sixth Council Session, relating to the work of the voluntary agencies, to the following national councils of voluntary agencies:

American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign - VS150/58
Service
Australian Council of Voluntary Agencies
New Zealand Council of Organizations for Relief
Overseas
South African Council of Voluntary Agencies

At the suggestion of Miss Molly Flynn, I would like to request you to transmit this resolution to voluntary agencies in the United Kingdom and in Europe which have been cooperating in the relief work of the Administration. Headquarters does not have a complete list of these agencies, and in order to insure that no agency is omitted, it would be advisable for the European Regional Office to assume the responsibility for contacting them.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Kuo

P. W. Kuo
Deputy Director General
In Charge of the Secretariat

Enclosures

Miss Mary Gibbons
Deputy Director General
In Charge of Department of Relief Services
European Regional Office
11 Portland Place
London W.1, England

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D.P.Div.
Miss Gifford

PRAGUE.....TO.....LONDON

No. 2192
En clair

Dated: 19th December 1946
Rec'd: 20th December 1946
0825 hours

Re your 2074 awaiting Government's letter forwarding list as soon as submitted by Government in meantime referred June Report Chart showing Vol. Agencies activities in CSR and kind of supplies provided. Mission recommends letter of appreciation be written.

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BELGRADE (for Voluntary
Societies Liaison
Officer)

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PRAGUE (ditto)

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REFERENCE LETTER FROM CREAGH ERO 17TH OCTOBER PLEASE REPLY SOONEST AS
STATEMENT OF APPRECIATION OF WORK VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING WITH UNRRA
IS SHORTLY TO BE MADE PUBLIC.

No distribution required.

Displaced Persons
Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit
Mrs. P. Tiarks
13th December, 1946

Mrs. P. Tiarks
13.12.46



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13 December, 1946.

Sir Michael Creagh,
Nunton Cottage,
Nunton, Near Bodenham,
Salisbury, Wilts.

Dear Sir Michael,

There was no resolution of thanks to the Voluntary Societies at yesterday's meeting of the CCE, but the Belgian Member raised the point, and it was decided to have a resolution a little nearer the time of the UNRRA close-down.

After you saw me I asked Miss Auty to get into touch with Mrs. Tiarks, as you suggested, and Mrs. Tiarks cabled to the Missions asking them to provide material about the work of the Voluntary Societies. When this comes in we should be able to prepare a useful roundup story for release either at the time of the CCE Resolution or before. We will let you see it before it goes out.

I wanted you to know I have not forgotten my promise.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.



H. R. Cummings
Director
Information Division

HRC/s

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL
POUR LE PLACEMENT DES
INTELLECTUELS RÉFUGIÉS

Adresse télégr. : Intellectuels-Genève
Compte de chèques postaux 1. 5974

GENÈVE, le 4th, 1946.
1, rue du Rhône, IIIe
Téléphone 5.73.33

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re :

Sir Michael C r e a g h
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation
Administration
13, Portland Place
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Dear Sir,

I thank you very much for your
two letters of November 1st and 25th.

According to your wish, I tried
to approach Mr. E.D. Frykholm of World Student Relief, but
unfortunately he is now away from Geneva. However, as
soon as I shall have an opportunity to get in touch with
Mr. Frykholm, I will let you know.

Thanking you ever so much for
the great interest you are taking in our matter, I beg
to remain,

yours very sincerely,

COMITE INTERNATIONAL
POUR LE PLACEMENT DES
INTELLECTUELS REFUGIES:

Fanny Silberstein



Heidelberg 6676

November 29, 1946

TO : Mrs. P. Tiers,
Voluntary Societies Liaison Unit,
UNRRA E.R.O., - 11 Portland Place,
London W.1., England.

Dear Mrs. Tiers,

I have just received through official channels, the information that Sir Michael Creagh is resigning as of 1st December 1946. He will have left his position before this letter reaches you but I presume that you will see him rather frequently anyway.

I shall be most grateful if you will convey to Sir Michael my sincere gratitude for the most valuable assistance he has rendered in our work here in Germany, and also for the warmth with which he received me personally when I last was in London.

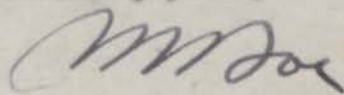
It is with regret that I learn that Sir Michael is leaving us, but I do hope that I may have the opportunity to see him again in London sometime, even if he does not work with voluntary agencies anymore.

It is a pleasure, however, to see that you will continue with your work in the Liaison Unit, since all of us then may feel safe that we still will receive the same utmost cooperation and assistance from your office in London.

I wish you personally good luck in your work.

With my best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



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December 2, 1946

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No. 455

To: UNRRA, ERO, London. (Dept of Relief Services)
From: Royall Tyler, UNRRA Liaison Officer, Geneva.

Please find enclosed copies of the
correspondence I have had with the Comité
International pour le placement des Intellectuels
Réfugiés, Geneva, in regard to an enquiry which
they desire to make in UNRRA camps in Germany,
Austria and Italy.

R. Tyler
Royall Tyler

P.S. I have just received a copy of the
Questionnaire in question, which I am
enclosing.

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A.M.
M.U.

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COMITE INTERNATIONAL
pour le placement
des INTELLECTUELS REFUGIES

Geneva, October 31st, 1946

Mr. Royall Tyler
UNRRA Representative in Geneva
Geneva

Dear Mr. Tyler,

We should be very much obliged indeed if you could send us a list of all UNRRA camps in Germany, Austria and Italy.

We would like to ask the managers of these camps whether they are willing to distribute our questionnaires among the internees under their supervision.

Thanking you in advance, we remain

Very truly yours

COMITE INTERNATIONAL POUR
LE PLACEMENT DES
INTELLECTUELS REFUGIES.

(Sgd) Fanny Silberschein.

Copy

November 1st, 1946

Dear Miss Silberschein,

In reply to your letter of October 31, I am referring your question to the UNHRA Headquarters in the three countries you mention, these being competent in the matter, and will not fail to inform you of their replies when I receive them.

Yours very truly,

Royall Tyler

Comité International pour
le Placement des Intellectuels Réfugiés
1, rue du Rhône
Genève

RT/FJ.

November 1st 1946.

To : UNRRA AROLSEN (and VIENNA, and ROME)

From: Royall Tyler, UNRRA Liaison Officer, Palais
des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

----- Please find enclosed a copy of a letter
from the Comité International pour le Placement
des Intellectuels Réfugiés, which is self-expla-
natory.

I should be obliged if you would instruct
me as to the reply you wish me to make, where
camps included in your operation are concerned.

Royall Tyler

Copy

RT/JF

November 27, 1946

Dear Miss Silberschein,

I have received today only a letter dated October 20th, but which from the postmark appears to have been mailed on November 22, from the Director, Department of Field Operations, UNRRA Central Headquarters Arolsen, together with a list of D.P. Camps in Germany. I am sending you a copy of this letter and one of the list of camps.

I would draw your particular attention to the 2nd paragraph of the letter, pointing out that any questionnaire should be submitted by you to UNRRA Headquarters, and not sent direct to the Camps.

Yours sincerely,

Royall Tyler

Miss Fanny Silberschein
Comité International pour
le Placement des Intellectuels Réfugiés
1, rue du Rhône
Genève

Comité International pour le placement des Intellectuels Réfugiés

GENÈVE - 1, rue du Rhône

Enquête über die Lage der Flüchtlinge und Displaced Persons
Investigation on the situation of refugees and displaced persons

A. Fragebogen für Aerzte

A. Physicians' Form

1. Name & Vorname : _____
(Name & first name)
2. Genaue Adresse : _____
(Exact address)
3. Geburtsdatum : _____ 4. Geburtsland : _____
(Date of birth) (Place of birth)
5. Familienstand (ledig, verheiratet, Witwer) : _____ Zahl der Familienmitglieder, für die Sie zu sorgen
(Family status, single, married, widower) (Number of family members supported by you? Present
haben ? Wo befinden sie sich ?
whereabouts ?

6. Religion : _____ 7. Nationalität : jetzige _____
(Religion) (Nationality, present)
seit wann ? frühere Grund des Nationalitätswechsels
(date acquired) (former) (reason for change of Nationality)

8. Aufenthaltsort: zu Beginn des Krieges _____
(Place of residence, at the beginning of the war)
während des Krieges _____
(during the war)

_____ seit Ende des Krieges _____
(since the end of the war)

9. Welche Ausweispapiere besitzen Sie ? _____
(What identity documents do you possess ?)

10. Welches Diplom besitzen Sie ? Name der Universität _____
(What degree do you have ? Name of University)

Datum _____
(Date)
11. Spezialität : _____
(Speciality)
12. Bisherige Laufbahn (wo haben Sie den Arztberuf ausgeübt; Privatpraxis, Staatsdienst, Kommunaldienst, u.s.w.)
(Career until now, where have you practised your medical profession, private practice, Civil service, Municipal service, etc.)

(Bitte wenden)
(please turn)

13. Sind Sie jetzt als Arzt tätig ? Wo ? Arbeits- und Honorarbedingungen ? Oder haben Sie eine andere Beschäftigung ?
(Are you practising at the time being ? Where ? Under what working & financial conditions ? Or have you another occupation ?)

Welche ?
Which ?)

14. Haben Sie die Absicht in Ihre Heimat zurückzukehren ? Wenn nicht, aus welchen Gründen ?
(Do you intend to return to your home country ? If not, for what reason)

15. Haben Sie irgendwelche bestimmte Pläne oder Wünsche inbezug auf Auswanderung ? Haben Sie Verwandte in
(Have you any definite plans or wishes with reference to emigration ? Have you any relatives in oversea-countries ? Or other
Uebersee ? Sonstige Verbindungen (berufliche) ? Spezielle Sprachkenntnisse (welche) ?
connections (professional) ? Any special linguistic knowledge ?)

16. Von wem werden Sie gegenwärtig unterstützt ? In welcher Form ?
(From whom do you receive assistance at present ? In which way ?)

17. Welcher Art Hilfe benötigen Sie, um den Arztberuf weiter ausüben zu können ?
(Which kind of aid do you need in order to resume or continue your practice ?)

18. Brauchen Sie medizinische Literatur ? Wenn ja, die Titel der Bücher angeben :
(Do you need any medical books ? If so, please indicate titles)

19. Benötigen Sie medizinische Instrumente ? Welche (genaue Angaben), zu welchem Zwecke : für die Praxis im gegen-
(Are you in need of medical instruments ? Which (exact indications), for which purpose : for practice at present place of resi-

wärtigen Aufenthaltsort oder für die Auswanderung ?
(dence or for emigration ?)

20. Besteht die Notwendigkeit der Vervollkommnung in Ihrer Spezialität, oder wollen Sie sich auf eine andere Spezialität
(Have you to perfect yourself in your speciality, or do you want to specialize in another medical field or to change your

oder einen anderen Beruf umstellen ? (Genaue Angaben) :
profession altogether ? Exact indications, please)

21. Können Sie Referenzen über Ihre Person und Tätigkeit angeben ? Welche ?
(Can you produce any references, concerning you and your activity ?)

22. Haben Sie irgendwelche spezielle Wünsche ? Spezielle Bemerkungen ?
(Have you any special requests ? Any particular remarks ?)

Ort : _____
(Place of residence)

Datum : _____
(Date)

Unterschrift : _____
(Signature of Registrant)

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25th November, 1946

Miss Fanny Silberschein,
Comite International
pour le Placement des
Intellectuels Refugies,
1, Rue du Rhone,
Geneva.

Dear Miss Silberschein,

Further to my letter of 1st
November, I am forwarding you a copy of a
letter which has been received from
Central Headquarters, Germany.

I have also to inform you that
on the run-down of UNRRA operations in
Europe I am now leaving this office and
Mrs. Marks will take care of your
interests in the future.

Yours sincerely,



SIR MICHAEL CREAGH,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

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CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS FOR GERMANY

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18th November 1945



A.M.

A.J.



Sir Michael Creagh,
11, Portland Place,
London, W.1

Subject: Comite International pour le Placement
des Intellectuels Refugies.

Dear Sir Michael,

As you already know from our telephone discussion on this subject, we have been so involved these past two months in reorganizations and other extra curricular activities that it has not been possible to give to this subject the attention it deserves. It is not an issue that can be sorted out without a good deal of work, both at Headquarters and in the field. For the kind of attention it needs it has come just at the wrong time - between the old and the new, both in matters of policy and in organization.

In some respects the proposals concerning re-grouping of DPs in Germany are not now feasible for many reasons, DPs have many personal reasons for remaining in particular groups which cut across what might ~~be~~ to be logical "intellectual" groupings. There are great mechanical and other obstacles to moving them about for any other purpose than to obtain available housing and feeding, or to evacuate areas wanted for other purposes. UNRRA's future dependence on DP leadership in the camps, and the interests of the DPs themselves call for a dispersal rather than concentration of professional groups. While this may result in many hardships for the individual, he cannot have the attention he merits so long as our problems are so great in the mass.

Yet there are ideas in the memo that are well founded and which certainly merit attention in future which might be impossible at present.

If the organization has the resources, connections and standing there might also be a useful opportunity for service as an emigration assistance agency such as the others we have in Germany, working either

under a separate agreement with UNRRA or through another agency in the field.

As I suggested on the telephone a member of this organization should get in touch with Ingve Frykholm who has taken de Bloney's place in Geneva (World Student Relief) and canvass the whole situation with him. His conclusions from his own intimate field experience in Germany in a closely related field would be very useful.

A little later, after our people have caught up a bit more with our recent reorganizations, we could call a representative into Germany for discussions if they would let us know whom they would wish to send. We would have to give this person a chance to get around the field so the visit should be scheduled when we are sure that the field is ready to deal with him. I would rather get the new director of World Student Relief (Alderton) in the saddle first so that he might lend a hand with this as well.

We are keeping the printed report you sent us, for the time being, but will return it to you if you need it.

Carl H. Martini
Dept. of Field Operations.

MB/SS

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DES NO 4695 18th November, 1946

C. M. Drury, Esq.,
Chief of Mission,
UNRRA Mission,
Warsaw.

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Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your
letter of 5th November, reference
PM/W/9/304.

I do appreciate your comments on
the fact that the councils are not as
active as they might be. On the other
hand, these councils have been set up as a
medium through which we deal with the
individual societies and it is for this
reason that I wish to express UNRRA's
thanks to these societies through the
councils. It has been our policy to
reinforce the councils as far as possible
so that I hope you will not mind if we
utilise this procedure as a means of
expressing our gratitude to the individual
societies for the relief work which they
have done in co-operation with UNRRA.

Yours faithfully,

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

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15th November, 1946

Miss Mary Gibbons,
c/o Mrs. Katherine Gibbons,
Apartment R,
405, East 54th Street,
New York, 22,
New York.

Dear Miss Gibbons,

I am being terminated on 1st December and see in today's Minutes of the Administrative Council that you will not be returning to E.R.C. I thought, therefore, that I would take this opportunity of saying how much I have appreciated working for and with you. Your help and guidance over matters affecting the American voluntary agencies has been invaluable to me.

I am enclosing for your information our final report to the C.C.E. on the activities of the voluntary societies. I really do feel that USRA has laid the foundations of international co-operation among the agencies, as well as affording facilities in their actual operations. The report is not quite up to date but will, I think, give you a ninety-nine per cent. picture.

I mean now to do work based on my own home, which will, I fear, prevent my continuing work of an international character. However, I am still interested in the USRA ideal and, if I could help in a part-time capacity, would be happy to do so, though at the moment it is doubtful if such an opportunity would arise. I shall think of taking up some other activity after some pleasant idleness at home.

My wife joins me in sending you our best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL O'BRIEN,

To RS. Res. for filing

**UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
AUSTRIAN MISSION
CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS
VIENNA, AUSTRIA**

14 November 1946

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TELEPHONE: U 46 560

To : UNRRA European Regional Office, 11 Portland Place
Welfare and Repatriation Division, London, England

Subject: Enclosed Letter from "International Committee for the
REF: W 1/1 Placement of Intellectual Refugees."

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1. Attached please find a copy of a letter from the "International Committee for the Placement of Intellectual Refugees" which has been forwarded to us by Mr. Royall Tyler, UNRRA representative in Geneva. May we be advised of the present status of this agency.

2. As you know we have had a recent vocational registration of all our displaced persons and the questionnaire no doubt could be filled in from it. We shall await your reply before taking any action.

Charles S. Miller

Charles S. Miller
Deputy Chief UNRRA Mission to Austria

6 DEC 1946
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November 1st, 1946.

C O P Y

To : UNRRA AROLSEN (and VIENNA, and ROME)
From : Royall Tyler, UNRRA Liaison Officer, Palais des Nations,
Geneva, Switzerland.

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter
from the Comite International pour le Placement des Intellectuels
Refugies, which is self-explanatory.

I should be obliged if you would instruct
mas as to the reply you wish me to make, where camps included in
your operation are concerned.

(SIGNED) ROYALL TYLER

Foyall Tyler

COPY

Comite International
pour le Placement des
Intellectuels refugies.

Mr. Royall Tyler
UNRRA Representative in Geneva
Palais des Nations
GENEVE.

Dear Mr. Tyler,

We should be very much obliged indeed if you would send
us a list of all UNRRA-camps in Germany, Austria and Italy.

We would like to ask the managers of these camps whether
they are willing to distribute our questionnaires among the internees
under their supervision.

Thanking you in advance, we remain,

Very truly yours

COMITE INTERNATIONAL POUR LE PLACEMENT
DES INTELLECTUELS REFUGIES:

(SIGNED) Fanny Silberschein.

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Geneve, le October 31st, 46
1, rue du Rhone, IIIe.

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To Voluntary Societies Liaison Officer, X

From Sir Michael Creagh, Voluntary Societies Liaison Unit, E.R.O.

This is to inform you that, as from 1st December, 1946, there will be a reduction in the Voluntary Agencies Liaison Branch. From that date the Voluntary Agencies Liaison Officer will be Mrs. P. Tiarks who will work under the aegis of Miss Selene Gifford, Director of the Displaced Persons Division.

Michael Creagh

13th November, 1946

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DES NO 4609 11th November, 1946

The Deputy Chief of Mission,
IUTRA,
Vienna.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of 25th October, W2/3, forwarding a commendation on the work done for the people of Austria by the voluntary societies co-operating with the IUTRA Mission, Austria.

Yours faithfully,

SIR MICHAEL GREAGH,
CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER.



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1st November, 1946

Miss Fanny Silberschein,
Comite International
Pour Le Placement
Des Intellectuels Refugies,
1, Rue du Rhone,
Geneva.



Dear Miss Silberschein,

You probably think I have forgotten all about the Comite International pour le Placement des Intellectuels Refugies. On my return from Geneva, however, I took up this matter with our headquarters in Germany. Last week I spoke on the telephone to them about it and they feel that, although your agency may well be in a position to help at some future date, the present time, when we have so many changes going on, does not seem to be an appropriate moment for us to start negotiations with you. Our headquarters suggested that you should get in touch with Mr. E. D. Frykholm of World Student Relief, who has a very clear understanding of the problems relating to professional people in Germany. He would be able to give you a comprehensive picture of the whole subject and at a later date our headquarters will correspond with you on the question of utilising the services of your agency in this connection.

I have in consequence asked Mr. Henderson of the World Student Relief if he would be kind enough to arrange for Mr. Frykholm to get in touch with you as suggested by Germany.

I am sorry for the long delay in replying to you but there have been many changes of organisation in Germany. We are now anxiously awaiting the outcome of the Council Session of the United Nations so that we may know what shape the new international relief organisation will take and when it will come into operation. As soon as we know this we shall be in a better position to develop further our activities in the D.P. Operation.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

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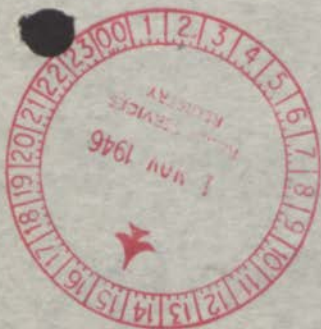
L. Henderson, Esq.,
World Student Relief,
59, Gloucester Place,
Portman Square,
W.1.

Dear Mr. Henderson,

Herewith, as promised, copy of
my letter to Miss Silberschein of the
Comite International pour le Placement
des Intellectuels Refugies.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CRRACH,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.



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Sir Micheal Creagh.

LONDON.....TO.....ATHENS.

No 2353
Repeated to
Washington 12512
En clair.

Dated: 28 October, 1946
D. 19.50 hrs.

Re your 3679 repeated Washington 2849.

1. Noted. Have informed Accountts Division.
2. 3 and 4. Additional UNRRA personnel cannot be sanctioned. E.R.O Order 62 limits assistance until 31st December. If you are unable to continue facilities after 1st December, E.R.O. will accept Mission decision.
5. Cannot claim title to Voluntary Agency agreed before repatriation. If there is no agreement and you wish it, we will clear the matter with agencies concerned.

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Attention: Relief Services Dept.
Vol Socy.
Sir Michael Creagh

ATHENS TO LONDON

Noc 3679
EN CLAIR
repeated to:
Washington 2849

Dated: 26th Oct., 1946.
Rec'd: 26th Oct., 1946,
15.02 hours



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1. Philanthropic Agencies operating projects approved by UNRRA have been furnished transportation facilities, rations and PX supplies by UNRRA on a cost basis.
2. Several of these agencies will continue operating projects at least during 1947 and have requested continued UNRRA cooperation for the life of the Mission.
3. Since we are abolishing the Regions on December 1st continued assistance would involve additional UNRRA personnel.
4. Shall we continue full assistance, if so until what date? If not, when should our assistance be terminated?
5. Some Voluntary Society teams now repatriated brought transportation with them. Are we to assume we have title to this transportation and turn it over to Government with UNRRA imported vehicles?

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17th October, 1946.

TO : Voluntary Society Liaison Officer, UNRRA Mission to

FROM : Sir Michael Greagh, Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

Now that the work of the Voluntary Agencies under UNRRA sponsorship, in other than the Displaced Persons field, is drawing to a close, I am looking ahead and feel that it would be appropriate in the early part of December to ask the P.R.D.C. whether he would write a letter of appreciation and commendation to the Council of British Societies for Relief Abroad and the AM Council. May I therefore ask you to be good enough to perhaps forward me some such commendation on a Mission basis which could be used as a background for the letter which I mention above.

I would be grateful if this letter from Missions could be received by my office by October 31st.



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THE WORK OF VOLUNTARY RELIEF AGENCIES
IN CONJUNCTION WITH U.N.R.R.A.

I. GENERAL STATEMENTII. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING IN GERMANY

A. Red Cross Societies

International Red Cross, French Red Cross, Netherlands Red Cross,
 Polish Red Cross, Greek Red Cross, Italian Red Cross, Czech Red Cross.

B. British Voluntary Societies

British Red Cross and Order of St. John, Friends' Ambulance
 Unit, Friends' Relief Service, Boy Scouts Association, Girl
 Guides Association, Salvation Army, Save the Children Fund,
 Catholic Committee for Relief Abroad, International Voluntary
 Service for Peace, Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad.

C. American Voluntary Societies

National Catholic Welfare Conference, American Polish War
 Relief, American Friends' Service Committee, American Joint
 Distribution Committee, International Rescue and Relief
 Committee, Unitarian Service Committee, American Christian
 Committee for Refugees, Vaad Hahatzala, Hias, United
 Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, Girl Scouts of America.

D. Other Societies

Don Suisse, International YMCA/YWCA, Jewish Agency for
 Palestine, World ORT Union, World Student Relief.
 Comité Catholique de Secours (France).

E. Societies working in the Immigration Programme.

III. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING IN GREECE

A. British Voluntary Societies

Friends' Relief Service, Save the Children Fund, South African
 Red Cross, International Voluntary Service for Peace, Y.W.C.A.,
 World Student Relief, Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad.

B. American Voluntary Societies

Near East Foundation, Greek War Relief Association, Congregational Christian Services Committee, International Rescue and Relief Committee, Unitarian Service Committee, American Christian Committee for Refugees, Pierce College Unit, Y.M.C.A. (U.S.A.), Girl Scouts of America, Joint Distribution Committee.

C. Other Societies

New Zealand Voluntary Societies, Australian Jewish Voluntary Societies.

D. Supplementary Projects

Greek War Relief Association, Near East Foundation, Friends' Relief Service, Save the Children Fund, Joint Distribution Committee.

IV. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING IN YUGOSLAVIA

A. British Voluntary Societies

Friends' Ambulance Unit, Save the Children Fund.

B. American Voluntary Societies

Joint Distribution Committee, American Friends' Service Committee.

V. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN POLAND

American Polish War Relief, National Catholic Welfare Conference, American Unitarian Service Committee, Friends' Relief Service, Save the Children Fund.

VI. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

American Relief for Czechoslovakia, Canadian Allied Relief, American Joint Distribution Committee, Unitarian Service Committee (British and American), American Baptist, Salvation Army.

VII. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN AUSTRIA

* (No agreements made with UNRRA up to the present)

VIII. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN ITALY

A. British Voluntary Societies

British Red Cross, Catholic Committee for Relief Abroad, Boy Scouts Association, International Voluntary Service for Peace, Friends' Relief Service, Save the Children Fund.

B. American Voluntary Societies

American Unitarian Committee, Mennonite Central Committee,
American Joint Distribution Committee, Congregational Christian
Service.

C. Other Societies

Jewish Agency for Palestine.

IX. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN HUNGARY

X. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN FINLAND

XI. VOLUNTARY AGENCY AGREEMENTS WITH UNRRA GERMANY

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES - Working in Germany

1. Status and Planning of Voluntary Agency Services - The decisions of the Fifth UNRRA Council Meeting made it possible, after several months of great uncertainty, to enter into plans with voluntary societies for service programmes to be continued into 1947. The continuing trend of heavy field demands from UNRRA for expansion of agency services still complicates future planning of the agencies and the problems of co-ordination and control by UNRRA. The following three factors are contributing to the heavier field demands:-

(a) Many specialised or supplementary services, which were not operationally feasible last year, can now be put into effect. These include services now provided outside assembly centres.

(b) The constantly increasing volume of infiltrates needs additional personnel and special services.

(c) UNRRA personnel are tending to turn over to the voluntary agencies the responsibility for certain primary services hitherto assumed by UNRRA field personnel.

This third category will require careful planning with the agencies concerned, since few of them will have the financial resources or personnel to meet fully the requests that will come from UNRRA field staff.

Furthermore, the withdrawal or reduction of UNRRA personnel and services is encouraging the tendency of military authorities to make direct requests to voluntary agencies outside channels. Thus, a trend which became evident in all zones several months ago, in view of the then anticipated early termination of UNRRA, is continuing now because of the withdrawal of UNRRA personnel and services from areas previously covered by UNRRA.

Detailed reports on individual agencies and a tabulation of voluntary agency personnel for each zone by sex have been forwarded separately to E.R.O. and Washington.

2. Voluntary agency personnel - Statistics for the French Zone show a slight reduction in personnel. The number of personnel in the U.S. Zone rose from 439 on 31st July to 493 on 31st August, an increase of 12.3 per cent. Personnel in the British Zone went down, on the other

hand, from 552 to 518, a decrease of 6 per cent. This is chiefly accounted for by reduction of fifty members of the British Red Cross - C.O.B.S.R.A. teams with the UNRRA hitherto maintained at 300 and now reduced to 250. This Red Cross personnel will continue in D.P. operations in the British Zone, working directly under the military authorities in camps not served by UNRRA.

Personnel in all Zones and at C.H.Q. totalled 1,162 on 31st August as compared with 1,141 on 31st July. On the basis of figures available, the proportions of men and women among voluntary agency personnel are one-third women and two-thirds men. A complete breakdown of agency personnel by Zone is shown below:-

	<u>C.H.Q.</u>	<u>British Zone</u>	<u>U.S. Zone</u>	<u>French Zone</u>	<u>Total</u>
American Joint Distribution Committee	15	20	138	4	177
World's Y.M.C.A./Y.W.C.A.	11	31	39	46	127
American Polish War Relief	1	24	20	-	45
Refugee Relief Committee	1	11	12	1	25
Polish Red Cross	13	71	63	40	187
Jewish Agency for Palestine	3	14	71	1	89
World O.R.T. Union	1	3	8	-	12
World Student Relief	1	-	-	-	1
Vaad Hahatzala	1	-	7	-	8
Netherlands Red Cross	2	11	-	-	13
National Catholic Welfare Conference	1	1	33	-	35
Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad	1	74	10	3	88
Belgian Red Cross	1	-	-	-	1
Italian Red Cross	2	3	-	2	7
Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society	-	2	31	-	33
Friends' Relief Service	-	2	-	-	2
Don Suisse	-	1	10	-	11
British Red Cross and C.O.B.S.R.A.	-	250	-	-	250
U.S. Committee for the Care of European Children	-	-	6	-	6
French Red Cross	-	-	4	-	4
Czech Red Cross	-	-	6	-	6
Comité Catholique de Secours	-	-	35	-	35
TOTAL:-	54	518	493	97	1,162

1. Polish Red Cross - In the British Zone a plan of operations was drawn up and has received military approval. Their most important activity during the past month has been the establishment of the tracing bureau for Germany with headquarters in Spenge. The collection of the possessions of Polish dead has continued and a wagonload of such goods was attached to the last Polish Red Cross train which returned to Poland on 13th August taking 520 people.

The plan suggested by the society's psychiatrist, that Polish mental patients should be collected together in one central hospital at Hanover prior to their repatriation, has been approved.

2. Netherlands Red Cross - The Netherlands Red Cross mobile bath and laundry units have returned to Holland on expiration of their three months' agreement.

The work of the search teams continues.

3. Italian Red Cross - The work of giving assistance to old and sick Italians resident in Germany continues, as well as the activities of the search team.

A children's home at Bad Sachsa for Italian convalescent children is doing excellent work.

4. Greek Red Cross - Personnel of this society are providing tracing and repatriation services; also supplies for Greek D.P.'s in the three zones have been contributed.

5. French Red Cross - This society has been active in the French Zone, particularly in welfare work for the Home for Children, and also in the U.S. Zone on a smaller scale.

6. International Red Cross - This organisation has been particularly concerned with the distribution of food parcels, the tracing of missing persons and the programme of tuberculosis control in Assembly Centres.

7. British Red Cross, C.O.B.S.R.A. - The British Red Cross Society have agreed to continue to operate the Bad Rehberg Hospital which is still being used as a collecting point for sick D.P.'s awaiting repatriation. Work has also continued at Edmundsthal. Excellent reports continue on the work of the hospital visiting teams in Lubeck and Hamburg.

Two assembly centre teams of Scouts, which worked with recently repatriated Poles, have been disbanded. A Save the Children team is running a holiday home for D.P. children near Hanover. The special Guide Training Team ran a training camp for Baltic Guides at Hamelin. The British Red Cross and C.O.B.S.R.A. societies are planning a more extensive programme of holiday camps for children.

8. American Polish War Relief - This society is continuing a very large and active supply programme in all three zones. They now take care that all Polish repatriation trains are furnished with supplies from the agency.

9. World Student Relief - This agency has distributed a considerable amount of educational supplies to the D.P. students of different universities. They are particularly interested in the D.P. university established at Hamburg. Plans have been discussed by their representative for the establishment of a Foreign Students Association for D.P. students.

10. World Council of Churches - A proposal has been received for a separate agreement between UNRRA and this society. At the present time they have a bi-agreement with the World's Y.M.C.A. for the distribution of their supplies.

11. Friends' Relief Service - The Rest Home established by this society in Bad Pyrmont is functioning most successfully.

12. World's Y.M.C.A./Y.W.C.A. - Considerable activity has been devoted during the summer months by this society to holiday camps for children. The equipping with materials of clubs and sports teams being nearly finished, the Y.M.C.A. representatives are now directing their efforts to building morale and team spirit.

13. Refugee Relief Committee - The society's medical team, provided by the Unitarian Service Committee at Jermelskirchen Hospital, continues to report good work. This team had planned to accompany their patients on their return to Poland and application has been made to the Military Government for permission to take a certain amount of the hospital equipment to Poland when the hospital moves. They have continued their activities in vocational training and child welfare.

14. Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad - This society continues its valuable work at Belsen, where the vocational training school is functioning well. Their welfare workers and child specialists have been continuing work in Jewish centres in all three zones.

15. American Joint Distribution Committee - The operations of this agency have expanded to such a degree that a considerable part of UNRRA's work with Jewish D.P.'s is now carried out by A.J.D.C. personnel. With a present staff of 103 personnel, it is difficult in this report to give detailed information of

their work. Supplies continue to arrive in large quantities and the society's participation in the Immigration Programme has also increased.

16. World O.R.T. - The Dental Mechanics Course, established last month at Belsen, continues to make good progress. Large supplies of tools and materials are now being sorted in warehouses at Arolsen for distribution in all zones. The Ahlen Farm Training School in Hanover is training some fifty students.

17. Jewish Agency for Palestine - Work has continued during the month at Belsen, Blankenese and Hanover in the British Zone, and the acquisition of necessary farms for an agricultural training project at Dusseldorf is now being carried out. In the American Zone this society is planning several welfare projects and has started activities in the French Zone on similar lines. (An Australian Jewish medical team, which has been working for UNRRA in the Greek Mission, has been sponsored by the Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad and went forward into the American Zone during September).

18. Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society - The immigration activities of this agency continue unaltered and a considerable number of applications have been channelled through the U.S. consuls under the sponsorship of this agency.

19. National Catholic Welfare Conference - This society continues to receive large quantities of medical, food, recreational and occupational supplies, which are being distributed in all three zones.

20. Vaad Hahatzalah - This society is considering several suggestions for an educational programme for Jewish theological students whose studies were interrupted by the war. The prospects of setting up a seminary for these and other students are hopeful. The Vaad has a Corporate Affidavit for 1,000 Jewish immigrants to the United States and their personnel are working on this project.

21. Czechoslovak Red Cross - Czechoslovak representatives of this agency who arrived in Germany at the beginning of July have been busy with child searching operations near Munich, in which they have had considerable success.

22. Refugee Relief Trustees, Inc. - American Christian Committee for Refugees and International Rescue and Relief Committee - These two agencies, which are affiliated to the Refugee Relief Committee, have continued work on their immigration programme. They are also engaged in the D.P. Programme, concentrating on vocational guidance, economic re-adjustment, psychiatric work among adolescents, tracing, and financing holidays and rehabilitation treatment for D.P.'s.

Unitarian Service Committee - This society is the third constituent body of the Refugee Relief Trustees, and specialises in child welfare and medical services. Their programme includes supplies for use in their work.

23. U.S. Committee for the Care of European Children - This society is continuing work on their immigration programme.

24. American Friends' Service Committee - Personnel of this society are working in the American Zone providing health and nursing services, cultural and civic education of children and adolescents, and they have imported a considerable quantity of supplies for use in their work.

25. Comité Catholique de Secours (France) - Personnel of the Vatican Mission continue to render service to D.P.'s in four tuberculosis hospitals near Stuttgart, which have been directed by this agency since early in 1945. Additional personnel are being called in.

26. World Bureau of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts - A team of American Girl Scouts has been called forward into the American Zone of Germany to supervise the running of Guiding activities among the D.P.'s.

Societies working in the Immigration Programme:-

An Immigration Programme is now operating in Germany for the purpose of facilitating the immigration into the U.S. of Displaced Persons who qualify. The following seven Voluntary Societies have been accepted by Washington as corporate agencies for operation in Germany:-

NRS - Joint Distribution Committee

U.S. Committee for Care of European Children

HIAS

American Christian Committee for Refugees

International Rescue and Relief Committee

Vaad Hahatzala

National Catholic Welfare Conference

The decision regarding the use and numbers of personnel for Germany is one jointly for UNRRA, the U.S. Immigration Service and the U.S. State Department. Personnel needs are filled from all available sources irrespective of sectarian views. No agreements with Voluntary Societies for this work are concluded without the approval of and notification by the U.S. State Department and the U.S. Immigration Service. After such notification, the final agreement with the particular agency is concluded by the UNRRA Headquarters in Germany.

The Immigration Programme is treated somewhat as a supplementary project in that UNRRA, though not responsible for the actual Immigration Programme which was not an UNRRA responsibility is given every assistance, apart from accepting financial liability.

The establishment of the U.S. Consulates in Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Munich and other areas for immigration assistance to Displaced Persons in the U.S. Zone has resulted in increased activity from Voluntary Agencies operating in the immigration field. The Jewish Agencies have for some time been prepared for such work and have already carried out extensive activities. On the other hand, there has been a great deficiency of Voluntary Agency personnel to take care of the interests of non-Jewish applicants. In Frankfurt, NCWC has an office for immigration aid and the representative of the A.C.C. for Refugees in Stuttgart has signed some affidavits for non-Jewish Displaced Persons. A.J.D.C. has added immigration personnel to its staff. HIAS has also attached personnel to UNRRA for this work.

The American Christian Committee for Refugees has given an affidavit with a token number of 100 which is being raised.

The National Catholic Welfare Conference has given an affidavit with a token number of 50. This number is also being raised.

HIAS has signed a corporate affidavit for 4,500 Displaced Persons.

The International Rescue and Relief Committee has provided a corporate affidavit for 200 Displaced Persons.

The Joint Distribution Committee and the National Council of Jewish Women in co-operation with the National Refugee Service, have executed a corporate affidavit for 3,500 Jewish persons. They are prepared to provide for all Jewish Refugees regardless of affiliations.

The U.S. Committee for the Care of European Children are willing to provide for all "unaccompanied" children.

The Vaad Hahatzala Emergency Committee has given an affidavit for 1,000 Displaced Persons, their special interest being Orthodox Rabbis and children of Orthodox Rabbis.

Arrangements for the staff for overseas work on this project are being completed.

With regard to the residual group of Displaced Persons, it is generally agreed that one of the outstanding needs is to provide hospital care for the T.B. patients. Plans are already under discussion for the establishment of a Jewish T.B. Sanatorium in the British Zone. The B.R.C. has offered to maintain two or three T.B. Sanatoria for some months until the picture is clarified.

III. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING IN GREECE

There are now only 107 Voluntary Society Personnel working in Greece, particularly on health and welfare projects, with the Greek population and foreign Displaced Persons. There are now in operation, several important supplementary projects. Health work until the first of the year was of an emergency and mobile nature, disinfestation, inoculation, treatment of scabies and other diseases resulting from war conditions.

The Scouts International Relief Service and the Friends' Ambulance Unit have withdrawn their remaining personnel. The Jewish relief teams - Australian and Palestinian - are to be transferred to Germany as soon as transport and permits can be arranged.

The American Joint Distribution Committee has nine Supplementary Projects operating in Greece embracing the following needs:-

Project No. 1. COMMUNITY ORGANISATION PROJECT

This project has been established to deal with the internal affairs of each Jewish Community, i.e. maintenance and operation of cemeteries, employment of religious and communal personnel, re-establishment of Community Councils and a Central Board.

Project No. 2. RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF JEWISH ORPHANAGES

This project will undertake the re-establishment of the Jewish Orphanages in Athens and Salonika which were stripped of their facilities by the Germans. Two hundred young children who have been living in the streets or employed as servants will now be housed in these orphanages.

Included in this project is a plan to reopen the Children's Summer Vacation Home if other facilities are not available next year.

Project No. 3. ATHENS MEDICAL DISPENSARY

This project has as its objective the reopening of the Medical Dispensary formerly housed in the Athens Synagogue inoperative since the German occupation.

This project will also make a financial contribution to a non-sectarian Home for the Aged in Athens, in order to have indigent Jews accepted as residents.

Project No. 4. SHELTER AND WORKSHOP FOR UNATTACHED ADOLESCENT GIRLS

The purpose of this project is to provide living quarters for Adolescent Girls who are unemployed and homeless. These young women will be taught wholesome living conditions and productive trades.

Project No. 5. EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTARY RELIEF PROJECT

This project is designed to relieve the 10,000 Greek Jews, since it is essential to provide supplementary assistance until the government's programme of assistance to all needy people is more

adequate. This project will have also a programme for Emergency Shelter which will maintain an Agricultural Training School where young Greek Jews may live, tilling the soil and working co-operatively.

The same project will also assist financially the Greek Jews who have no homes, when housing facilities become available.

Project No. 6. SMALL LOAN ORGANISATION

This project will reorganise on a smaller scale, the loan organisation in operation before the war. The purpose of the fund is to reduce the Jewish relief problem in Greece. Many small merchants and craftsmen need a little capital in order to make them economically productive again.

This organisation will be under the close scrutiny of its sponsor.

Project No. 7. STUDENT PROJECT

This project will make available to Jewish University students, who have no family or financial resources, funds to pay for their tuition and books at the University.

Project No. 8. CENTRAL LOCATION INDEX

This project will set up a Central Location Index to assist persons outside Greece to locate relatives and friends within Greece, and will assist Jews within Greece to locate their relatives elsewhere. This organisation will accept non-sectarian inquiries from the United States.

Project No. 9. This society has procured a building in which to establish a rest home for patients diagnosed as tuberculous but for whom there is an excellent chance of recovery after a stay of a few months. Accommodation is available for twenty patients, which may later be extended to accommodate thirty-five. A doctor will supervise the Home and a nurse will live on the premises.

The Greek War Relief Association, INC, U.S.A., is sponsoring two projects which are progressing as shown below:-

Project No. 10. MOBILE AND SEMI-PERMANENT MEDICAL CLINICS

This project has made very real progress. Up to the end of October 1945, the six clinics have examined some 30,000 patients and made some 2,000 vaccinations. The Public Health nurses made some 5,000 home visits and an indefinite number of lectures and demonstrations on mother and child hygiene. The total population covered by the clinics amounts to about 130,000 people. 400 community doctors are in action and the first twelve rural clinics have been opened. An additional mobile clinic, making seven in all, started work at the end of October to take care of the extreme north-western region of Greece at the Greek-Yugoslav-Albanian frontier. This population of about 20,000 was completely isolated and had not seen a doctor for five years. Reports coming from this area indicate that this clinic is producing hopeful results. Eleven more mobile clinics are now in operation in Thrace, Macedonia, Epirus, Ionian Islands, Central Greece, Peloponnesus and Eastern Crete.

Project No. 11. CHILD FEEDING PROJECT

Encouraging reports are coming in from the regions of the Child Feeding projects. A new set of ration scales for infants, children, pregnant and lactating women has been effected and should be an improvement over the former 10% which was allocated to child feeding. Dry rations are being discouraged and everything possible is being done to stimulate interest in the establishment of child feeding centres. Dieticians have been sent out to six regions and four others are expected in the near future. The regional dietician will devote most of her time to child feeding.

An all out effort is being made to obtain from Washington the foods needed to serve one meal a day to one million children, the G.W.R.A. are sponsoring an orphan support project for 50,000 children and have decided to continue it until the end of 1946.

The Near East Foundation is sponsoring three projects which have as their objective the following:-

Project No. 15. REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED
(with priority to the war disabled)

This project is moving very smoothly. The Rehabilitation Centre for Adults with its Orthopedic Clinics Social Services, Physical Therapy, Adult Education and vocational training is available to veterans and civilians over sixteen years of age six days a week. Between eighty-five and one hundred people are helped each day. Unfortunately, amputees are still waiting for UNRRA materials to arrive for legs and arms but all preliminary services are being furnished each case as the application is made for service. Overnight care is provided for persons from the provinces and as soon as appliances are available they will be called forward to receive them. The Ministry of Hygiene has appointed a special staff member to work with the entire rehabilitation programme. The Vocational shops are training in cobbling, tailoring, electrical repairs, making of fish nets and chair-caning. The Centre expects to open other shops in the near future. The Children's Programme is developing steadily. The first diagnostic clinic was held in Thebes, November 25th. Seventy-six patients were examined whose condition showed years of neglect. Other clinics will be held as soon as braces and legs are in production and hospital beds are available.

The Reception Centre is full of crippled children from the provinces. The majority are amputation cases and are being "fed-up" while waiting for their appliances. Recent infantile paralysis victims are being greatly helped by physical therapy. Several club-foot babies have had service and gone home.

The Training School for Physical Therapists has opened under the direction of Miss Helen Kaiser who arrived in late October. The Mitylene School for care of the blind has been opened recently.

Significant matters related to this project

- (a) UNRRA is procuring the material for appliances and equipment for physical therapy departments which are to be opened when orthopedic departments are established in hospitals.
- (b) UNRRA will supply an orthopedist, two orthopedic nurses and a supervisor for the programme for the Blind.
- (c) Greek War Relief will help the government to develop workshops for the production of appliances.
- (d) All services will help in developing a broader orthopedic programme. The orthopedists are meeting regularly.
- (e) Advisory committees are meeting regularly to help plan the development of the National programme, especially for the disabled Veteran and the disabled in the provinces.

Project No.16. LIVESTOCK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

This project has as its aim the replenishment of livestock particularly cattle, which has been depleted during the enemy occupation. It will also lend its efforts toward improving the productivity of livestock. This

breeding programme will be accompanied by educational and demonstrational projects on improved forage production and feeding methods.

This project will assist in the establishment of a permanent programme aimed at increased productivity of livestock and thus of agricultural land, resulting in a higher standard of living for the farmers of Greece.

Project No.17 WINTER HOSTELS FOR RURAL CHILDREN

This project is an extension of the programme which began with the summer camps. Children from the ages of 6-15 are brought from burned out areas to shelters in nearby towns where they will be given medical attention, taught personal hygiene and reclothed. They will be encouraged to take part in group activities, especially along recreational lines, and thus helped to forget the grim experience of occupation. Supplementary Feeding will be an important feature of this programme.

The Friends' Relief Service is responsible for two projects which are operating in Salonica described below:-

Project No.12 GIRLS TRAINING SCHOOL - SALONICA

This project has been developed to give training in domestic economy and the care of poultry and farm animals, to girls from the villages of Macedonia. The girls chosen are those most likely to profit in health by well organised residential life and likely to be able to raise the level of village life by their experience in the school.

Project No. 9 TRAINING SCHOOL FOR RURAL MIDWIVES

This project is concerned with founding a training school for rural midwives. Before the war a building was under construction for housing a Midwifery School but was interrupted by the occupation. The sponsor of the project

is now assisting in the completion of the building and expects to begin operation of the school in 2 or 3 months.

An additional Supplementary Project has been sponsored by the American Greek War Relief whereby 50 girls will receive four years nursing training in Great Britain at the Societies expense. Twenty-four have already arrived and the remainder will arrive shortly.

Members of a Friends' Relief Service are engaged in distributing clothing and welfare supplies in Eperius and Salonica. Also food and fresh milk are distributed to children.

All the Voluntary Societies operating in Greece have been doing excellent work in welfare, health and general relief. Additional supplementary projects are under way.

Save the Children Fund - This society has a project to rehabilitate the Municipal Infants' Asylum by the provision of a matron and trained nurse for two or three years, and a welfare worker for one year to assist the Medical Director in the improvement of nursing standards and the general care of the children and their mothers.

They are also operating a scheme for the training of public health midwives.

Florida Ruboea Relief - This society proposes to undertake the complete rehabilitation of the village of Nea Psara (Eritrea) in co-operation with the village community. The sponsors have planned to secure a good water supply, malaria control, T.B. prevention, re-equipment of the school, establishment of a school canteen, shelters, re-equipment of the fishing fleet and the installation of new industries.

The British Council is to administer the £2,000 granted by the Lord Mayor's Fund of London for the structural rehabilitation of the Central Refugee Hospital, Salonica, to enable it to serve as a modern well-equipped hospital and training centre for nurses and medical students. The hospital, when rehabilitated, will be run by Greek staff and administered and supported by the Ministry of Hygiene.

The care and rehabilitation of physically handicapped children is to be a special feature of the St. Sophia Hospital, Athens, the surgical unit to be set up in the buildings erected by the Italians. The Aid to Greece Fund is sponsoring the project, and the cost of repair of the buildings is estimated to be approximately £3,000. The Near East Foundation proposes to co-operate in this scheme by providing a well-qualified Directress of Nursing Services especially trained in pediatrics and nursing education.

The Greek War Relief project for the care of homeless children in Drama is proving so successful that provision is being made for its continuance and extension. Plans were almost complete in August for starting the project in Kozani, Chios, Iraklion Laconia, Lesbos and Piraeus welfare centre.

IV. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES WORKING IN YUGOSLAVIA

There are about sixteen personnel working with the Voluntary Societies in Yugoslavia.

1) Friends' Ambulance Unit

This Society has been employed in storage and distribution of supplies from Red Cross warehouses. It has also provided a Field Bacteriological Unit which has been working for the Epidemiological Section of the Bosnian Ministry of Health.

2) Save the Children Fund

This society is operating a clinic in Sarajevo staffed by Yugoslavs. Miss Eber is acting as full-time nurse-superintendent of the Sarajevo Maternity Home.

A children's dispensary and hospital for the care of children (ages three to twelve years) is being run by this society at Kamenice.

3) Joint Distribution Committee

This Society has charge of the plant and non-medical supplies side of the hospital requirements programme and co-operates with the Yugoslav supply authorities in the preparation of requests.

4) American Friends' Service Committee

This organisation has been in charge of the office of UNRRA Yugoslav Mission at Leghorn, Italy, where large supplies of engineering materials and transport are being procured for Yugoslavia from Army stocks.

5) United Yugoslav Relief Fund of America

This Society has proposed to undertake a public health and welfare programme in Yugoslavia which includes supply of direct services of public health experts to assist the Yugoslav authorities in initiating programmes to provide healthful housing, proper development of water supply and sewage disposal systems, rebuilding of maternal and infant health services, etc. They aim at training Yugoslav public health workers, physicians, nurses and sanitarians and to provide necessary scientific equipment from their funds in order to set up training schools.

V. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN POLAND

Under arrangements with the Polish Government, UNRRA is responsible for co-ordination of the work of foreign voluntary agencies. The work of voluntary societies in Poland is now getting under way more rapidly.

There are to date seventeen foreign voluntary societies contributing or operating in UNRRA programme in Poland. They are all engaged in supplementary projects.

Council of Foreign Voluntary Agencies in Poland - Mr. Osinski, executive secretary of the American Polish War Relief, is the chairman of C.O.F.V.A.P. which has been set up to co-ordinate all foreign voluntary agency work. He has been successful in obtaining among other privileges for the voluntary organisations -

- (a) free rail transport for supplies, etc;
- (b) group insurance scheme to enable insurance of foreign voluntary agency cars and drivers;
- (c) free warehousing of voluntary agency supplies at Gdynia and Gdansk, and
- (d) negotiations are in progress for the Council to establish and operate a simple card-index system of the children dealt with by all foreign voluntary agencies in Poland. The cost of printing etc., will be borne by the American Relief for Poland.

American Relief for Poland - The American Relief for Poland are continuing to distribute their several thousand tons of relief and food

supplies through Caritas, CKOS and the Polish Y.M.C.A. The Paderewski Mobile Hospital, a gift from this society, is to be on display early in August and the approval of the Ministry of Health has been obtained for the distribution of the hospital in various parts of Poland, and a mobile clinic in connection with it. This society has also undertaken to supply elementary educational material to Polish schools.

American Red Cross - Medical and clothing relief for all parts of Poland. Goods distributed through Polish Red Cross, Danish Red Cross and American Polish War Relief. They have agreed to provide clothing for 17,000 residents of Makow and to contribute medical and equipment supplies for use in summer camps.

Don Suisse - Contribute clothing for Polish children and medical relief. Have sent 400 Polish children suffering from tuberculosis to Switzerland for three to six months' rest cure. Have contributed total equipment for complete village for children (5,000) at Otwoch near Warsaw, opening on 1st July.

Danish Red Cross and Save the Children Fund - Home for tubercular children at Wrzeszcz where they have four doctors and nurses which they plan to increase to five or six nurses. At Gdansk the Danish Red Cross are operating an excellent programme of feeding and medical relief covering some 700 persons daily.

The Danish Save the Children Fund have a well-equipped and situated summer home for children near Szreszcz where they house fifty to sixty boys and fifty to sixty girls in alternate months. Every child has gained more than two kilos during his month's stay. They are selected by the Polish authorities from amongst the poorest homes. The work of the Danish Red Cross in Ostrod in the Mazurias area will be extended shortly to include child feeding for ten to fifteen-thousand children.

Anglo-American Quaker Relief Committee - The American Friends' Service Council and the British Friends' Relief Service Committee have joined forces and are now operating under the above title. One team of six is engaged on a relief project at Kozunice where seventy-three tons of supplies have arrived, providing 300 calories daily for 5,000 children. Another team is being assembled in Paris and plans reconstruction of peasants' houses at Kielce. The personnel include joiners, builders, etc.

Swedish Government Relief Committee - Long-term project for establishment of clinic, distribution of hospital and medical equipment, etc.

Inneuropeish Mission (Swedish IM) - Home opened at Wrszeszcz to accommodate several thousand poor mothers and children and university students for recreational purposes. Food supplies, etc.

Danish Peace Volunteers - Project for child feeding for possible total of 5,000 children at Stopnice, near Cracow through team of six workers.

British Save the Children Fund - A representative of this society has visited Poland and a team of four persons, including a doctor, will be leaving shortly to undertake a child-feeding programme.

American Joint Distribution Committee - General relief for Jews in Poland.

International Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. - This society has been working closely with the Polish Y.M.C.A. for the establishment of summer camps for 15,000 young people, and recreation centres for youth in Lodz, Cracow and Warsaw. They have imported large quantities of sports equipment, furniture, bedding, clothing, etc., and in addition have obtained some medical supplies from the Don Suisse. The International Y.M.C.A. are also supplying foodstuffs to the Polish Y.M.C.A. for feeding some seven - to eight thousand children per week.

This society has recently decided to open a feeding station and summer camp at Pultusk for fifty to a hundred boys, and to house and supply equipment for a camp for 100 girls, which is being operated by the municipal authorities of Warsaw. This society is working closely with the national headquarters of the Scout movement and supplying hospital equipment, furniture, etc.

The buildings of the Y.M.C.A. in Warsaw, which had been very badly war-damaged, have been repaired and reconstructed by the International Y.M.C.A. who have been able to open there a very large recreation centre for the young boys of Warsaw.

World Student Relief - A representative of this society arrived in Warsaw at the beginning of July and has visited Lodz, Cracow, Poznan and Lublin investigating the needs of university students.

This society proposes to provide financial and scholarship assistance to Polish students as well as material relief. They have already made arrangements

to send some students to study in Switzerland and England. In addition 250 Polish students of science are now studying in Denmark.

The representative will return to London at the end of the month to report to her society and draw up details of their proposed scheme of relief.

National Catholic Welfare Conference - A representative of this society arrived in Poland early this month to handle and organise the distribution of their large supply programme of food and medical relief. This function has up till now been fulfilled by the American Relief for Poland. Details of the new programme are not yet available.

General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists - Food and clothing project being discussed with Danish Red Cross.

C.A.R.E. - Negotiating system for receipt and distribution of parcels sent by individuals in America to individuals in Poland.

Unitarian Service Committee - This society sponsored a project consisting of a programme of lectures and demonstrations on the advances of medicine and dentistry during the war years. A team of seven doctors and specialists, loaned from the Rockefeller Institute, toured the universities and main hospitals in Poland giving lectures and advice. The tour is now completed and such was the interest and enthusiasm shown that in many cases the audiences were too many to be accommodated. The lectures translated into Polish are being mimeographed and distributed to the Polish doctors and students.

VI. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, as an authority supervising the activity of voluntary charitable social institutions, appreciates, above all, that these organisations are particularly capable of penetrating into those branches of social work hitherto neglected, and of creating a stage which might be suitable at an appropriate time for calling in provisions of public administration. The present aim of supervision lies in co-ordinating the work of existing voluntary social organisations and in preventing their activity from overlapping and splitting. The final state policy will be given by the standpoint of the new government that

will be formed after the May elections. The government of today does not intend, however, to change the structure of voluntary charitable institutions or to interfere with their machinery or activity, which is given in their statutes and other organisational regulations.

With regard to procuring financial resources of these institutions through public collections, the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare tries naturally to arrange for collections not to take place in one period of time, so that the public should not get tired of them. An appropriate arrangement in this respect has been made with the Ministry of the Interior.

As far as "Charita" - the association of Roman Catholic welfare agencies - is concerned, no restriction of its activity follows from the above-mentioned solution. The same principle applies to "Charita" as to other institutions. "Charita" is also not affected by provisions regarding public collections, because the measures taken do not apply to church collections, which secure the means for "Charita's" social work.

The above statement refers, of course, to voluntary charitable institutions of social nature only. Institutions concerned with medical care belong into the sphere of activity of the Ministry of Health.

1) American Relief for Czechoslovakia

The school feeding programme of this Society for 55,000 children is now in operation. Of the \$1,000,000 this Society is contributing \$360,000 for medical instruments for University hospitals, \$200,000 for labourers rest camps and \$250,000 for school feeding.

2) The American Red Cross three months programme is well underway.

This covers daily feeding of milk and vitamins. This supplementary feeding takes place in 71 Communities of Bohemia for 58,000 children, 19 Communities in Moravia for 16,500 children, 11 Communities in Silesia for 30,000 children, and in addition the American Red Cross will bring supplies to the value of \$3,246,324 to Czechoslovakia.

3) The Canadian Allied Relief has contributed \$115,000 for school feeding.

- 4) The American National Catholic Welfare Conference is developing a supplementary feeding programme through "Charita" channelled through Children's centres.

5) American Alliance for Czechoslovakia

A representative has been working through the Czechoslovakian Red Cross on a \$350,000 hospital programme. This money is to be made available for a Poliomyelitis hospital. Additional medical supplies have been purchased including an iron lung for the hospital in Brno.

- 6) The British and the American Unitarian Societies are co-operating in establishing the Hana Benes Children's centre in Olesovice. The American Unitarians are considering establishing a medical mission there in the pediatric field.

7) The American Jewish Distribution Committees

This Society is aiding 2,500 Jewish orphans in Slovakia in addition to 30,000 Jews.

- 8) American Baptist Society - A representative has gone to Czechoslovakia to survey the situation.

- 9) The British Salvation Army had a representative in Czechoslovakia in March for the purpose of improving the Czechoslovakian Salvation Army programme in Bohemia and Moravia.

In addition the following voluntary societies have made contributions of food and clothing:-

Society of Friends (British)

National Catholic Welfare Conference

Y.M.C.A./Y.W.C.A.

Church Brethren U.S.

Don Suisse

C.A.R.E.

A representative of the C.I.O. has recently visited Czechoslovakia with a view to establishing a feeding project.

A representative of the World Council of Churches is leaving next month for Prague at the invitation of the Czech Government, in order to make contact with religious bodies and bring in needed religious and food supplies.

VII. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN AUSTRIA

For many months there has been a discussion of UNRRA's position in relation to non-indigenous voluntary societies operating in Austria. In the past these voluntary agencies have been the primary responsibility of one or another of the welfare sections of the several elements of the Allied Commission for Austria. By action of the Executive Committee of the Allied Council at a meeting on 30th August 1946 the responsibility for admission and supervision of these agencies was transferred to the Austrian Government. UNRRA will now complete an arrangement with the appropriate Ministry of the Austrian Government for the assumption of responsibility for co-ordination of these agencies in accordance with the UNRRA Charter and appropriate Resolutions.

The 27 non-indigenous voluntary societies bringing supplementary food to Austria are continuing their programmes. Five of the organisations, i.e., the Don Suisse, Swedish Relief Abroad, American Joint Distribution Committee, Co-operative for American Remittances to Europe and "Aid to Austria", have increased their distributions in Austria during August. During the month 3,324.14 tons of food were distributed, making a total of 7,625.58 tons for May, June, July and August. The American Red Cross, Civilian War Relief, has discontinued the supply and distribution of parcels.

Information is being collected from the Austrian Ministry of Social Administration and the voluntary societies on the question of the needs of the aged. Exact figures are being secured on the number of people over 65; the number needing assistance from public or other sources, the number receiving assistance from old age pensions, private relief agencies and homes for the aged. Effort is being made to get information about the nature of assistance such as food packages, feeding centres, etc., which would most adequately meet the needs. When this is secured, efforts will be made to bring assistance for this group, since general reports indicated that this particular group of people seem to be the most neglected group in Austria at present.

It has been found desirable to house voluntary societies at Central Headquarters, Vienna, in the same building with the UNRRA Voluntary Societies Liaison Office to bring about better integration of their programme. Efforts have been made to secure offices through the appropriate military channels, which to date have not been successful. However, in order to facilitate the work of some of the new agencies who have found difficulty in securing office space, desk space has been given them in Relief Services quarters.

During August, 18 agencies were given services by Central Headquarters at Vienna and in the Zones as follows:-

Requests for clearance for entry to Austria	27 persons
Travel arrangements	29 persons
3-language pass	5 persons
Billeting and Messing	29 persons
Messing only	13 persons
P.O.L. : Gasoline	3865 gallons
Oil	48 gallons
FX and NAAFI (new personnel)	11 persons
Aided with shipments of supplies	
(i.e. food and clothing, etc.)	4 agencies
Letters of introduction	4 persons
Supplied with office stationery	1 agency

Below is a list of Voluntary Societies operating in Austria classified by contributing countries.

Canada	National War Services
Czechoslovakia	Czechoslovak Red Cross Society
Denmark	Danish Red Cross Danish Save the Children Fund
England	British Red Cross British Save the Children Fund Friends' Ambulance Unit Catholic Committee for Relief Abroad Friends' Relief Service Salvation Army Aid to Austria Chief Rabbinical Religious Emergency Council Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad

Poland	Polish Red Cross
Sweden	Swedish Red Cross Swedish Save the Children Fund Swedish Trade Union Society
Switzerland	Dqn Suisso Swiss Red Cross Swiss Caritas Swiss Quakers Swiss Labour Organisation Centrale Sanitaire
United States	American Joint Distribution Committee American Friends' Service Committee National Catholic Welfare Conference Unitarian Service Committee Apostolic Christian Church of America Co-operative for American Remittances to Europe United Ukrainian American Relief Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society International Rescue and Relief Committee U.S. Committee for the care of European Children Vaad Hatzala Rehabilitation Committee
International Organisations	International Red Cross Inter-Governmental Committee for Refugees World's Y.M.C.C./Y.W.C.A. Ecumenical Refugee Commission of the World's Council of Churches.

VIII. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN ITALY

Approximately 120 voluntary agency workers was attached to the Mission, of whom ninety three were working with the Displaced Persons Division, eight with the Health Division and twenty-five with the Regional Staff. Most of them are attached as individuals assisting the Mission in its work with the Italian Government.

A number of voluntary agencies are attached to the Allied Commission or operating independently in Italy. Since they were generally called forward with the approval of the military authorities, the Italian Government has not attempted to co-ordinate their activities. Duplication has been eliminated more through individual contact between the agencies than through concerted action. The Italian Government should take an active part in any plan of co-ordination which is considered, and develop procedures for clearance and registration of agencies. This subject will be discussed with the Italian Delegation.

The following British voluntary societies have personnel in Italy working under the direction of UNRRA:-

Catholic Committee for Relief Abroad
Friends' Ambulance Unit
Boy Scouts' Association
International Voluntary Society for Peace
Save the Children Fund

A team of eight members of the Catholic Committee for Relief Abroad have been in charge of the C.A.S.A.S. rebuilding scheme at Bologna.

A new agreement has been signed with the Mennonite Central Committee and they have begun its distribution of clothing in the Waldesian Valley area of Turin Province.

The Congregational Christian Committee have moved thirty-five families from Naples caves into the new barracks built for 500 of the cave inhabitants and financed by this society.

The American Joint Distribution Committee are distributing large amounts of supplies among Jewish D.P.'s. They are operating a convalescent home of fifty beds near Rome as a recuperation centre for curable tuberculosis cases.

The Unitarian Tuberculosis Survey team has completed its survey of various districts throughout Italy.

The Maritime Catholic Committee for the Relief of Europe has donated 150,000 dollars worth of food, which has been arriving at the rate of 10,000 dollars worth a month.

IX. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN HUNGARY

1. American Friends' Society - A representative has visited Budapest during June and worked out a programme by which his society hopes to provide food for students at the universities and trade schools.

2. American Joint Distribution Committee - This society has co-operated with the Mission in arranging a number of relief projects, of which the outstanding one is their agreement to feed and clothe the 250 leading Hungarian scientists without religious or political discrimination. Their main programme

is a supply one and large quantities of supplementary foods are being donated by this society for distribution among the Jewish group including the sick, nursing and expectant mothers, hospitals and children.

3. American Red Cross - This society is working closely with the Hungarian Red Cross and have a 10,000-dollar programme. They have recently contributed four million surgical dressings.

4. National Catholic Welfare Conference - Thirty-three railway carloads of miscellaneous supplies have been contributed by this society and are being distributed by UNRRA and the Catholic agencies to Catholics in Hungary.

5. The Danish and Swedish Red Cross - are operating six kitchens which feed six to ten-thousand persons.

6. American Hungarian Relief - More than half the drugs distributed in Hungary by UNRRA have been a gift of this agency, having been bought with the 50,000 dollars it gave to UNRRA for purchase of medical supplies.

Four-sevenths of the penicillin, half the insulin and a quarter of the ether distributed have been due to the agency's gift. Other supplies from this agency already distributed include 1,700 bales of used clothing, sixty cases of used shoes, three cases of fur coats, 100 sewing machines, fifty sets of shoe repair kits, 380 cases of canned food, and 670 cases of powdered milk. Further supplies are en route.

7. British Save the Children Fund have contributed about ten tons of supplies to the Hungarian branch of their society.

8. Don Suisse and International Red Cross contributing supplies.

9. International Save the Children Fund is undertaking a medical programme with a doctor as director of the team.

10. Hungarian Red Cross - The Mission has completed arrangements with the Hungarian Red Cross to take over the records and tracing service formerly handled by the American military mission.

X. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN FINLAND

Over five-and-a-half-million dollars worth of tools, building materials, clothing, drugs and medical supplies has been received by Finland from agencies other than UNRRA. Fairly extensive child care programmes are also in operation

as a result of the efforts of voluntary agencies, and much assistance is being given to wounded war veterans and other invalids. The relief agencies making these contributions are:-

American - American Red Cross, American Friends' Committee, Lutheran Church of America.

Swedish - Swedish Government, Relief Committee for Finnish Children, Swedish Red Cross, Save the Children, Relief Committee for Finnish Invalids.

Below is given a brief summary of the activities of some of these societies.

(a) American Red Cross - The American Red Cross have, according to their own estimate of cost, to date delivered \$3,600.00's worth of supplies to Finland. The agency plans for the delivery of \$400.00's worth of supplies in the next 4 - 6 months. Most of these supplies consisted of special foods, medical supplies, shoes and clothing. These supplies have been distributed, except for 5 - 6 per cent, in parts of Finland other than the Lapland area.

(b) American Friends' Committee - The Friends' will terminate their work (work camps and child-feeding programme) in Lapland in August, and will initiate a school-feeding programme in Jyväskylä. They have approximately \$10,000 available for their needs.

(c) Help from Sweden - Sweden is caring for approximately 13,000 remaining Finnish children that were evacuated during hostilities. Since last month, approximately 10,000 have been returned to their homes. There are a number of communities in Sweden that are sponsoring relief of single communities in Finland. Approximately 16,000 Finnish children will be cared for in Sweden over the winter.

(d) Swiss Relief Organisation (Don Suisse) - The total programme of this organisation amounts to 3.4 million Swiss francs (approximately \$860,000). Their programme includes special foods, household goods, medical assistance, clothing and footwear, and is concentrated in six communes lying along the Russo-Finnish Border.

(e) Lutheran Church in U.S.A. - To date no decision has been reached as to the use of the \$1,000,000 fund which was raised in the U.S. by the Lutheran Church for use in Finland. The bishops of Finland met with the representatives of the Lutheran Church of U.S. and with representatives of the World Federation of Churches in order to reach some decision with regard to the use of this fund.

The Chief of Mission was asked to address their conference. The UNRRA programme in Finland was outlined, the most urgent needs of the country were pointed out, and recommendations as to the most practical methods of handling the supply programme were presented.

(f) Co-operative for American Remittances to Europe (C.A.R.E.) - To date, Finland has received food supplies to the value of approximately \$180,000. It is expected that this programme will continue for at least twelve months.

(g) Organisation of Canadian Finns - This organisation has promised aid to the extent of 20,000 dollars. This aid is designated for relief of Carelian evacuees.

XI. VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES IN BYELORUSSIA

Many hospitals and children's homes are now using supplies of blankets, bed linen, clothing and medical supplies contributed by the American Red Cross and the American Society for Russian Relief.

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From: Miss Selene Gifford, Director,
Welfare and Repatriation Division, ERO.

When Miss Pentz visited Poland, Mr. Horsley,
Voluntary Services Section, requested her to obtain the
address of the Committee for Reception of Young People
from Occupied Countries. It is as follows :-

29, Portman Square,
London, W.1.

Mr. G.W. Niemann is the Chairman of the Committee.

Selene Gifford
Director
Welfare and Repatriation Division

DEP/NB.



OUTGOING CABLE.

WE.150.150/41.

ORIGINATED BY: RELIEF SERVICES DIV.
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT BR.
MRS. P. TLARKS.

LONDON.....TO.....WASHINGTON.

Nm 11150.
En Clair.

Dated 19th September, 1946.
Des'd 14.51 hours.

Reference your 10540, upon reconsideration approval granted for
UNRRA sponsored survey by Nadich and all help regarding travel upon
repayment basis.

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ext. 349
Vs. 150/2

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3rd September, 1946

W. D. Hogarth, Esq.,
75, Victoria Street,
S.W. 1.

Dear Mr. Hogarth,

As a result of the Fifth Council Session, we are, as you know, curtailing our activities. I have therefore issued some instructions to the Missions. They are attached and are in draft form. It may be that they will be revised slightly but the sense of these instructions will remain unchanged. In order to keep you up to date with what is happening, I am sending them to you now and later on I will send you any revised instructions that may go to press.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

EXTRACT FROM:

NARRATIVE REPORT FOR THE MISSION TO FINLAND

AUGUST, 1946.

For: Sir Michael Creagh.

2. Relationship with other Agencies.

a. American Red Cross.

The programme unchanged since last report July, 1946.

b. The American Friends Committee.

The American Friends will have a staff of six persons working in the country, five of these will be working in the Jyvaskyla area distributing used clothing and making other services available to Carelian evacuees and others. This group will have approximately \$10,000 available to meet the needs they find. The sixth person will do a community organisation job in Lapland.

c. Help from Sweden.

The repatriation of Finnish children from Sweden continues. It is expected that 16,000 Finnish children will be cared for in Sweden over the winter. Direct aid is being given by Swedish relief agencies to evacuees in Finland and others.

d. Swiss Relief Organisation (Don Suisse)

The programme unchanged since last report July 1946. Mission chief conferred with Mrs. Lutz, Don Suisse representative who recently arrived in Finland.

e. Co-operative for American Remittances to Europe (C.A.R.E.)

This organisation continues to receive and channel food packages to Finland, at the rate of about 10,000 a month.

f. Lutheran Church in U.S.A.

No decision has been reached as to the use of the fund raised by the American Lutheran Church.

g. Help from Denmark.

The Help Finland Organisation has contributed approximately 88 tons of food, powdered milk, vegetables, which is being used to support child feeding programme in ten districts in south-eastern Finland.

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23rd August, 1946.

Miss Anne Barraud,
5, Pote Avenue,
Lawrence Park,
TORONTO.

My dear Captain,

I have just come back from a few weeks in Geneva where there was an international gathering of the UNRRA clan, so please forgive a line in haste. To deal with the business points you raise - I will write you more fully later - UNRRA has closed down for recruitment so I am afraid there is no opportunity of the two ladies you mention joining up. We are all folding up at the end of this year.

I am sending this to Toronto as I have not your home address at hand and wish you to have an early reply.

With the best of luck and the hope that
all goes well with you,

Yours

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.



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DJS No 839

14th August, 1946

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Sir Michael Creagh,
League Palace,
Geneva,
Switzerland.

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REGISTRY

Dear Sir Michael,

I have received your letter of 7th August and appreciate very much the information concerning your reactions to the possible attitude of the Conference towards the Voluntary Agency Branch. I realise how difficult it is to forecast the decisions.

Everything here has been comparatively quiet and there have been no insurmountable problems. I won't attempt to give you any details as to the projects which we have been working on, but will only say that they are being pushed and the angling has brought some nibbles.

I am Telexing with Mr. Hemminger at his request this afternoon. If there are any important developments I will let you know immediately.

With best wishes to Lady Creagh and yourself,

I am,
Very sincerely yours,

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

FC19/3
Depho 237

League Palace,
Geneva,

12th August, 1946.

Dear Bassett,

I am writing to you to give you the form in Geneva:

(1) There will, I think, be a reduction in the welfare staff in the Missions. This, so far as I know, is as follows:-

Czechoslovakia: Releases dependent on the end of the supply programme, which date is unknown. It may affect Voluntary Agency representation in the person of Mrs. Gates

Greece: There is to be a considerable reduction, scheduled to be carried out by the end of September. What the actual reduction is to be is not known as Mr. LaGuardia settled this matter direct with the Chief of Mission.

Hungary: I gather that the welfare operation in Hungary will close at an early date. This may effect our representation in the person of Mr. Frank Curtis.

Poland: No change. I discover, however, that Miss Wellington has gone. Please take steps to find out through normal channels who has replaced her.

Germany: No change as far as we are concerned.

Austria: There is likely to be a 50 per cent cut by the end of October. I have spoken to Brigadier Parminter here: the agreement with the Allied Control authorities for UNRRA to co-ordinate the activities of Voluntary Agencies has not yet been finalised. Brigadier Parminter is considering whether, in view of the present situation, any further attempt to finalise this agreement should be made or whether it is not better to let sleeping dogs lie. He has promised to cable me when a decision is reached.

Italy: I understand that there is to be a reduction, but I do not know the percentage nor the date when this is to be effected. I have, however, seen Mr. Keeny and any societies other than those engaged on supplementary projects will be consulted as to their future wishes and arrangements made whereby they can continue to operate in the Italian field.

In reading the above, please do not take this as a finalised decision; many contrary winds blow around Geneva, and what is a fact this morning may not be a fact this afternoon. I think, however, it is wise to put you in the picture and shall be glad if you will treat such information as confidential, and an indication rather than a firm assurance of the future.

(2) If these things happen it is obvious that the services which we have up to date been rendering to the voluntary agencies, such as travel, equipment, the provision of local currency and the help towards maintaining these societies' operations in the various countries may well be effected before the 31st December, 1946.

I naturally have not a copy of the conditions of service for the agency personnel, nor the other relative orders available here, and I would like you and Mrs. Tiarks to get down to it in the light of the information I have given you to see to what

extent these services may be curtailed and in what direction pressure should be brought to bear in order to maintain essential services. To give you an illustration of what I have in mind, I think the question of providing agencies with foreign currency is an important contribution to their operation. UNRRA acquires dollars and sterling which it is glad to have and I feel that, since the financial department may be operating after the 31st December in clearing up UNRRA affairs, this is a type of service which we might endeavour to keep going till the eleventh hour. Anyway, your grey matter is as good as mine, so please get it operating.

(3) I do not know the form in ERO but it appears that there may be some reorganisation and that the Department of Relief Services may now be called the Division of Refugee Operations and there may be a certain reduction in personnel. This decision is not, however, firm but is a consequence of Mr. LaGuardia's desire to curtail the welfare activities of UNRRA. I will say no more at the moment.

It is very lovely here. We reckon that the Session will terminate on about the 16th August and that we shall leave Geneva for ERO about the 20th.

All the best,

Yours sincerely,

Michael Cusack

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL
POUR LE PLACEMENT DES
INTELLECTUELS RÉFUGIÉS

Adresse télégr. : Intellectuels-Genève
Compte de chèques postaux 1. 5974

GENÈVE, le August 7, 1946
1, rue du Rhône, IIIe
Téléphone 5.73.33

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re :

To R.S. Registry for ATTY.
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Seaman, of New York

Mayor Fiorello La Guardia
Director General of U.N.R.R.A.
c/o. Palais des Nations

Geneva.

Dear Sir,

The "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés" on whose behalf I have the honour of presenting you this memorandum was founded in 1933 already, that is, at a time when the first waves of victims of the Nazi regime were floating over the German frontiers, and when it became obvious that Germany's political attitude left the only way of exile to thousands of intellectuals belonging to various nationalities and confessions, and desirous of escaping racial or political persecution.

In the course of the last thirteen years we have tried to accomplish the special tasks incumbent upon our Committee through a series of combined relief measures. Before the outbreak of the war we mainly endeavoured to find for intellectual emigrés new positions or activities, similar to those they had had to give up in Germany and Austria. During the first war-years emigration to oversea countries was stopped practically. We then paid particular regard to the incorporation of the intellectual emigrés who had sought refuge in Switzerland, France, Belgium, etc..., into professional life of their respective hospitable lands. Moreover, we tried to give appropriate protection to both their material and spiritual interests. When the procuring of new positions proved impossible, we granted our protégés substantial help in form of subsidies for livelihood, professional training or re-education, university studies (particularly for younger people), scientific publications, etc... From 1942 on, most of the refugees who had succeeded in fleeing to Switzerland, were interned in labour camps. We then strove to obtain from the Swiss authorities particular concessions as to the treatment, in both moral and professional respects, of the intellectuals interned. Thus we have succeeded gradually and through a series of suggestions and consecutive measures, in saving thousands of intellectuals from moral, spiritual, and even physical ruin, and in keeping them fit for the tasks of post-war reconstruction.

We do not intend to enter into details concerning the activity displayed and the results obtained by the "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés". Suffice it to say that both this activity and its results have been fully appreciated and practically supported by various governments and Statesmen, and moreover have contributed towards establishing close and confidential relations between indigent intellectuals and our organization.

Basing on this appreciation, as well as on the confidence in our activity expressed many times by innumerable needy intellectuals of the most various countries of Europe, we beg to draw your attention to the situation of those intellectuals living at present within the sphere of U.N.R.R.A.'s activity.

Among the big number of people, assisted by U.N.R.R.A., there are, as you know, numerous intellectuals of diverse nationalities and confessions. Many of them belong to the so-called "displaced persons", living in camps or at other provisory places, and submitted to general U.N.R.R.A. government.

It stands to reason that in so far as aid to millions of needy people is concerned, there cannot be made any distinction with regard to their treatment, and no preference can be given to the one or the other group of them. Moreover, it is clear that U.N.R.R.A.'s activity can consider only the most urgent and present necessities of the indigent populations, and that it cannot be its task to organize a long-term relief work which is to build up also the future life of its protégés.

However, numerous reports of a more general character, as well as individual demands, addressed to our Committee during the last months, prove that unfortunately the application of this "no-difference-tendency" with regard to the treatment of displaced persons has had a series of unpleasant consequences. The maintenance of this practice might even have particularly tragic effects on the future destiny of the intellectual d.ps.

It must be taken into consideration that just these people either have definitely broken with their homelands or will not go back as long as political circumstances will not have suffered substantial change. For the greater part of them there must be found, at all events, a way of re-emigration, with a view to definite settlement, to countries still open for immigrants. From this fact it results that aid to this class of displaced persons can be efficacious only if based upon preparation for emigration.

Experience, acquired through a long years' contact with thousands of refugees living in Switzerland or in other countries, has taught us that preparatory measures in this respect must be taken individually and according to particularly established plans. General methods, useful perhaps for many a refugee category, have proved entirely inapplicable with regard to intellectuals, and particularly to the problem of how to procure possibilities of work and of settlement to physicians, engineers, artists, jurists and the members of other professions.

There is no doubt that any postponement of such preparatory measures would have the worst consequences for the intellectual d.ps. While workers, artisans, and even merchants who intend to emigrate will be able, without any special preparation, to take up their accustomed activity in the new lands, intellectuals will have to undergo a special professional training and re-adapting, before resuming their normal activity in the immigration countries. This is true particularly for physicians, engineers and lawyers who had no opportunity, during the years of war and of detention in concentration camps,

of adapting to the scientific progress, made in their respective professional branches, - a fact that will prove extremely troublesome for their future activity.

For all these reasons we deem it necessary to undertake a thorough re-grouping of the people living in U.N.R.R.A. camps, so that all intellectual d.ps. may be concentrated at special places. Such undertaking will be likely to unite the intellectual aspirants for emigration, and to organize the necessary relief measures on uniform principles and in an efficacious way.

As for the character of these relief measures, we beg to state that no kind of improvisation is permissible in this respect. On the contrary, a long years' experience and corresponding knowledge of both the indigent people and the immigration countries concerned, are indispensable for it: That is why the "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés" will be very pleased to be admitted, by the Directorial Board of U.N.R.R.A., for close and active co-operation in this work.

The tasks to be accomplished by a mixed Commission, composed of representatives of U.N.R.R.A. and of the "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés", can be named as follows:

1. Systematic registration of the intellectual d.ps. who should be united in special camps, situated - if possible - near university towns whose libraries and scientific institutes might be used for the purposes of the relief work for intellectuals;
2. creation of professional groups among the intellectual d.ps. in order to guarantee better circumstantial control and prompter working of the diverse relief measures;
3. preparation for emigration of the intellectual d.ps. through
 - a) organization of special courses of professional training and perfectioning,
 - b) organization of language - lessons,
 - c) creation of legal advisory offices,
 - d) procuring of scientific books and implements for persons in need of these;
4. different kinds of negotiation relating to problems of emigration:
 - a) negotiations with the immigration offices of the countries concerned, as well as with scientific institutes or professional corporations, this in order to find opportunities for employment,
 - b) procuring of affidavits; establishing of relations between the d.ps. and their relatives or private relief organizations in the immigration lands.

If the Directorial Board of U.N.R.R.A. approves, on principle, the creation of such mixed Commission, the "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés" will be prepared to make concrete suggestions as to initial measures to be taken.

We do not want to terminate discussion of this subject without having emphasized that no special and additional expenses will be resulting, for U.N.R.R.A., from a re-organization in the above sense of the aid to intellectual displaced persons. On the other hand, such re-organization will contribute, in a most substantial manner, towards stabilizing political conditions in the various occupation - zones, whereas these people's continual stay in camps will have, as we repeatedly state, worst-possible consequences.

We introduced this memorandum by outlining the Committee's activities, displayed for the last thirteen years, and which mainly consisted in securing employment to its protégés, either in the hospitable lands or in oversea countries. We may state, with justified satisfaction, that our efforts proved successful in quite a number of cases. Thanks to our intervention, many of our protégés could find work in various countries, where they are enjoying best reputation, due the high standard of their professional capacities and to the rich experience, acquired particularly in their respective homelands. Even in Switzerland, where authorities and economic or professional associations were hostile to any occupational admission of émigrés and refugees to private enterprises, quite a number of these - mostly people without nationality - have found employment in insurance-societies, banking-houses, clinics, etc...

In pursuing this effort displayed with a view to finding work for stateless refugees, we have been trying, for the last months, to place some of them at U.N.R.R.A. offices (at those , for instance, established at the "Palais des Nations" for U.N.R.R.A.'s Geneva session). Unfortunately we had no success in this respect; on the contrary, all applications for employment, made on our Committee's suggestion, were refused. Official argumentation for such refusal was based upon U.N.R.R.A. dispositions interditing "any engagement of no U.N.-members".

In submitting to your judgement, dear Sir, this extremely delicate problem, we are convinced, at the same time, to correct a misunderstanding resulting from certain personnel-officer's wrong interpretations of your dispositions in this respect. In fact, such interpretation is in obvious contradiction to promises and declarations of the leaders of the United Nations. Emigrés and refugees of German or Austrian origin must by no means be considered as "members of enemy States". The mere fact that they have made no use of their right to re-acquire German or Austrian citizenship, and that they rather prefer to re-emigrate to other countries, is a most convincing proof of their meriting particular confidence, as to their political and spiritual attitude, on the part of the United Nations , as well as of the international organizations established by them.

U.N.R.R.A.'s every day's experience proves that the official motivation of the above refusal cannot be valid at all. While stateless people are refused, though possessing, besides an unimpeachable political past, excellent administrative experience,

and in spite of their being versed in languages and familiar with particularities of the countries concerned by U.N.R.R.A.'s activity, - members of neutral or U.N. - States are engaged by U.N.R.R.A. offices, even if they have no particular qualification, - not to speak about their political attitude which is not always unobjectionable.

As an organization which considers it as one of its noblest tasks to protect the interests of intellectual émigrés and refugees, we beg to draw your attention also to the fact that any discrimination of these people on the part of U.N.R.R.A. offices will have most unfavourable repercussions on their situation in diverse countries. All our endeavours, as well as similar efforts of other relief organizations, will be condemned to failure, when authorities, professional associations or trade-unions of the respective countries will be informed of U.N.R.R.A.'s negative attitude towards this problem. They will have no difficulties in referring to such negative example, in order to justify another revision of their actual conciliatory policy with regard to refugee employment.

The "Comité international pour le placement des intellectuels réfugiés" deems it necessary to create also for this purpose a special Commission. On demand it is willing to make concrete suggestions on procedure and engagement-criteria relative to refugee employment.

We shall be most pleased to receive your friendly answer to the questions, discussed in this memorandum, and to see established, through your kind initiative, a closer contact between U.N.R.R.A. and the relief work for intellectuals.

In anticipation of your reply we beg to assure you, dear Sir, of our whole-hearted thanks and of our most respectful sentiments.

Yours very sincerely

COMITE INTERNATIONAL POUR LE PLACEMENT DES INTELLECTUELS REFUGIES

Fanny Silberschein

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

F.C. 18/1
Resp No: 106

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League Palace,
Geneva,
Switzerland.

7th August, 1946.

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Dear Bassett,

I think I should bring you into the picture of what is in people's minds at this 5th Council Session and if there are any decisions which effect policy in the Voluntary Agency Branch I will keep you informed.

The situation at present is that it seems definite that UNRRA will cease its operations on 31st December. The matter of running down the staff is under consideration. Reference the Voluntary Agency Branch it seems to be generally agreed that as regards the German Operation we should hold the structure we have built up in tact to hand over. This is where the problem begins, noone knows:

- 1) whether I.R.O. will be financed by the Allied Governments - though it seems pretty certain it will be;
- 2) whether I.R.O. will be ready to take over from UNRRA by December 31st.

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In view of the above, alternatives would appear to be:

- a) for UNRRA to continue its German Operations for 3 - 4 months until such time as I.R.O. is capable of operating;
- b) to hand over to the military as an interim arrangement.

I am not going to give you a forecast - the matter will be thrashed out here and a plan for the run-down produced, but generally speaking, and this is only personal opinion and not policy, the UNRRA staff feel that the Voluntary Agencies in Germany will remain in tact and that there will be no reduction in our staff out there.

I am not clear as to the position in Missions, but since we took the long view in supplementary projects we could withdraw UNRRA support to these projects quite easily at short notice without much disturbance to the work in hand.

I hope all goes well and you have no problems. If you get anything really urgent I can always give you an answer from here.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Michael Creagh

MICHAEL CREAGH

Col. Bassett,
Voluntary Agencies Liaison Office,
UNRRA,
11, Portland Place, W.1.



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10 AUG 1946
U. N. R. R. A.
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League Palace,
Geneva,
SWITZERLAND.

6th August, 1946.

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Dear Mrs. Tiarks,

I hope all is going well in London. This is a line written in some haste to ask you to let Bradford know that as Arrolsen is some 15 hours in a motor car from here, I am afraid I shall not be able to visit her until the 5th Council Session is terminated. I will, however, write to her and give her the result of the deliberations in Geneva and ~~send her~~ *send her* letter by Mr. Bruskin. It may be that after I have returned to E.R.O. and cleared up any outstanding questions which may want settling owing to my absence, that I make a special visit to Germany, I could then meet the people she wishes me to.

The World Council of Churches wished to have a *Passi* call forward in Austria. I have asked them to give me details of this passport etc. etc. and will then cable you requesting you to take up with the Austrian Mission what is called for. I would at the same time be grateful if you would let me know whether in fact U.N.R.R.A. has any agreement to control ~~roll~~ agencies operating in Austria.

I think it would be a little premature to give you any indication at this stage what is likely to come out of this Council Session. However, when things get a little firmer, I will give you a line as to future policy which is now under discussion. I hope all goes well. It is very lovely here.

With best wishes,

Yours,

Michael Cresswell

Apologies for the typing

Mrs. Tiarks,
E.R.O., LONDON.



P.S. I enclose a copy of the telegram of the World Council of Churches in case the cable goes astray.

To RS. Registry

EXTRACT FROM:

JUGOSLAV MISSION - BELGRADE.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR JULY 1946.

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For: Sir Michael Creagh.

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4. SERVICES PROVIDED WITH UNRRA RESOURCES.

(a) Welfare.

Services Program: None

Voluntary Societies:

(1) Save the Children's Fund Clinic in Sarajevo. Dr. Singer continues on leave. The Clinic is operated by Yugoslav staff, and its work, consequently, is reduced. Miss Imber is acting full-time as Nurse Superintendent of the Sarajevo Maternity Home. Miss Stevens of the Save the Children's Fund has been working with the Don Suisse.

(ii) Save the Children's Fund Hospital in Kamanica. Dr. Macphail returned from leave and considerable increase in bed space is being considered.

(iii) Other Voluntary Relief Societies. The Don Suisse, Danish Red Cross and the International Red Cross operate various direct relief services within the country; they have been assisted with transport, information and other help whenever possible.

(iv) Contributed Supplies. Discussions have been had with the Government concerning the use of contributed funds for a scheme for blind children. The Government's formal proposal is awaited. Other contributed supplies are notified to the Government as they are observed in incoming shipments. The Yugoslav authorities are thereby able to give such supplies the free distribution to which they are entitled.

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ATTENTION: RS DEPT
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COL. CHARLEY

WASHINGTON.....TO.....VIENNA

No. 836

Dated: 18th July 1946
Rec'd: 30th July 1946
08.17 hrs.

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Has reply been received to Parminter's letter to Allied
Council of May 11th about D.P's.?

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REGISTRY

18/7/46 18th July, 1946.

Sir Ian Fraser, C.B.E., M.P.,
9-11, Park Crescent,
Regent's Park,
W.1.

Dear Sir Ian Fraser,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 16th July. The letter which you enclosed has been duly forwarded to Washington and I trust will reach its destination speedily.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CREACH
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.





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16th July, 1946.

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Dear Sir Michael Creagh,

I enclose a letter addressed to the Far East Section of your Organization, which I understand is in Washington. I understand your Secretary has most kindly offered to have this sent to Washington in your special bag, if we submitted it to you.

The letter is being left open incase you care to read the contents before passing it on.

I am very grateful to you for this gesture.

Yours sincerely

Ian Fraser

Chairman.

Major General Sir Michael Creagh, K.B.E.,
U.N.R.R.A.,
170a Portland Court,
Great Portland Street, W.1.



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MUSEUM 6898, ext. 42

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V.S. 150 170A, Great Portland
Street,

(26)

9th July, 1946

Mr. Atholl,
66, Elizabeth
Street,
S.W.1

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REGISTRY

Dear Mr. Atholl,

Enclosed is a copy of a cable
received from the UNRRA Mission, Warsaw,
which I am passing to you as requested.
I am afraid I do not know what it is all
about but, if you wish to send a reply,
will you please post it to us at this
office with a brief explanation and we
will cable it to Warsaw.

Yours sincerely,

MRS. P. TILKES,
VOL. SOCY. LIAISON UNIT.

170A. Great Portland Street,

Museum 6898,
Ext. 305

9th July, 1946.

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Lady Hilda Butterfield,
Prince of Wales Hotel,
De Vere Gardens,
LONDON.

With reference to your letter of June 25th to Sir
Humfrey Gale, I regret that Sir Humfrey is now in Poland
and I am writing to suggest that perhaps in his absence
abroad you may care to discuss the question with me? I
should be delighted to see you at any time that would be
convenient. Perhaps if you would be kind enough to ring
up Museum 6898, Ext. 305 you could arrange an appointment?

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.



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DATE 10/7/1946

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ACTION : F & A DEPT.
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PERSONAL SERVICES BRANCH.
COL. ROCKE.

WARSAW.....TO.....LONDON

No. 1232.

Dated : 2 July 1946.

(EN CLAIR)

Rec'd : 17.43 hrs. 3 July 1946.

London please inform Atholl, 66 Elizabeth Street, London, S.W.1,
Passport postponed pending investigation condition Stefan News
received here his departure Hospital. Have assured authorities
Stefan unable remain Hospital owing overcrowding, but incurably ill
and returned Station because not demobilised. Please confirm.

MV/CC.



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DGS No 1307.

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DESPATCHED BY
REGISTRY 12/6/46 P.S.
12th June, 1946.

Mrs. Gates,
Welfare Officer,
UNRRA Mission to Czechoslovakia,
PRAGUE.

Dear Mrs. Gates,

I have received your copy of the request from the National Committee of Banska Bystrica in Slovakia forwarded on to you by the Czech Relief and Rehabilitation Office. We shall investigate the possibilities of obtaining the assistance from some Voluntary Society who may be interested in such a project and will advise you as soon as possible.

It was a pleasure to meet you here in London and I hope your return journey was not too fatiguing?

With best wishes,
I am yours very sincerely,

Benjamin F.R. Bassett,
Deputy Chief Liaison Officer,
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.



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ATTENTION: R.S.DEPT.
VOL.SOC.LIAISON UNIT
BRANCH.
SIR MICHAEL CREAGH.

VIENNA.....TO.....WASHINGTON.

NO.752.
EN CLAIR.
Repeated LONDON.1606.

Dated 6th June. 1946.
Rec. 6th June.17.10 hrs.

Re your Washington 509 repeated London 7294.

Statement on Voluntary Agencies prepared for Hynes
for Hoover conference plus current information dispatched
airmail.

M/KAW.

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46, Belgrave Square,
London, S.W.1

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4th June 1946

Colonel Benjamin F. R. Bassett
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration
Vol. Socy. Liaison Unit
170A Great Portland Street, W.1

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6 JUN 1946
U. N. R. R. A.
MAIL UNIT

Dear Colonel Bassett,

Very many thanks for so kindly sending us
the names of some International Voluntary Organisations
not appearing on our list.

Yours sincerely,

E. Herdman

E. Herdman
Counsellor
Relief and Rehabilitation Section



COPY.

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To:- U.N.R.R.A. (E. R. C.) London.

From:- Mrs. Gates.
Welfare Officer.

Subject:- Request for assistance from Voluntary Agencies
in re-establishing home industry of Svojraz.



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We are submitting herewith the request of the National Committee of Banska Bystrica in Slovakia, forwarded to us by the Czech Relief and Rehabilitation Office, with Government approval for work materials to re-establish the home industry of "Svojraz" (embroidery), (handicraft).

There are approximately women who supplement the family income to a considerable extent, by participation in "Svojraz". In the district of Banska Bystrica, a large proportion of the population is in low income category. Earning and wages are not adequate to maintain a desirable living standard.

Perhaps an organisation specially interested in preserving folk handicraft, would be willing to assist in the purchase of necessary materials, the list of which is attached.

P.S. As there is only one copy of the catalogue, we have forwarded this to Washington.



Fine batiste-cotton batiste	500 metres.
Fine opal batiste	200 "
Scer batiste	500 "
Flax batiste, breadth 80 and 150 centimetres	1.000 "
Etamin or organdie	1.000 "
Thread georgette white, rose and clear blue	1.500 "
Cotton panama, thin, white	1.500 "
Thin chiffon	1.000 "
Flax linen thin	1.000 "
Flax linen thick for cross seam, breadth 160 centimetres	1.500 "
Flax linen thick, tow-linen	1.000 "
Flax linen, different colours	500 "
Artificial silk for underwear	1.500 "
thin woollen cloth white	500 "
thread tulle white Breadth 100-200 centimetres	500 "
black velvet or the best satin breadth 120-150 centimetres	500 "
Flax felt different colours	200 "
Woollen flannel white and different colours	500 "
Raw silk	500 "

1000 meters white thread No.40.....400 spools.
1000 " " " No.50.....600 spools.
1000 " " " No.70.....200 "

Pearl yarn No.8, quality and colours as per the enclosed catalogue.

The most wanted colours are:

716/20, 717/30, 722/10, 725/15, 510/5, 486/20, 511/5, 431/10,
432/10, 433/20, 452/10, 453/20, 455/30, 708/10, 709/10, 371/200,
419/20, 423/10, 424/30, 424/30, 702/10, 703/20, 705/30, 306/400,
548/50, 561/10, 562/10.

pearl yarn No.12, similar colours as pearl yarn No.8, but smaller quantities. For your information the first number refers to the colour and the second to the number of the cartons., (in each carton are 10 skeins).

It is not possible to enclose samples of the material, because such material is not available now. The chief matter is that the material is of pure cotton.

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ATTENTION OF:- R.S. Dept.
Sir Michael Creagh.

WASHINGTON.....TO.....VIENNA

No. 509

Dated:- 28th May, 1946.

(EN CLAIR)

Rec'd: 22.55 hours.
28th May, 1946.

Repeated London 7294

Please forward airmail Washington, Barton statement on Voluntary Agencies prepared for Hynes for Hoover Conference. Hynes now Washington approves request and suggest current information be added before forwarding.

KS/JT

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DESPATCHED BY
27/5/46
REGISTERED BY
May 24th, 1946.

F.H. Vivian, Esq.,
Counsellor,
Relief & Rehabilitation Section,
UNESCO,
46, Belgrave Square,
S.W.1.

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Dear Mr. Vivian,

As requested in your letter of May 10th, I
append the names of International Voluntary Organisations
which do not appear on the list you sent me: -

International Voluntary Service for Peace
World Christian Organisations
World Council of Churches
Secours International aux Réfugiés
World ORF Union
Salvation Army
Agudas Israel World Organisation
International Committee of Blue Cross of St. George

Yours sincerely,

Benjamin F.R. Bassett,
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

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13 MAY 1946

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Dear Colonel Bassett,

Following our yesterday's telephone conversation,
I am sending you a copy of our list of International
Voluntary Organisations.

I should be very grateful if you would be good
enough to add to it the names of any other such organisations
which you may have on your files.

With many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

F.H. Vivian

F.H. Vivian
Counsellor
Relief & Rehabilitation Section

Colonel Bassett
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration
Room 503
170 Great Portland Street, W.1



May 9th, 1946

List of International Voluntary Organisations engaged on Relief Work

World's Young Women's Christian Association

World's Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations

Comité International de la Croix-Rouge

International Bureau of Education

International Cooperative Alliance

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

World Student Relief

- Pax Romana
- International Student Service
- World Student Christian Federation

World Federation of Democratic Youth

The World Union of Jewish Students

World Jewish Congress

International Federation of University Women

World Federation of United Nations Associations

Boy Scouts International Bureau

World Federation of Jewish Youth

Rotary International

International Voluntary Service for Peace

World Christian Organisations

World Council of Churches

Secours International aux Refugies

World ORT Union

Salvation Army

Agudas Israel World Organisation

International Committee of Blue Cross of St. George

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2nd May, 1946.

Mr. Richard Law, M.P.,
43B Sloane Street,
S.W.1.

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REGISTRY 5/5/46
SS

Thank you so much for your invitation to lunch at the House of Commons on Friday, May 10th at one o'clock. I shall be delighted to accept your hospitality and to have the opportunity of a word with you on the subject of the activities of the Voluntary Societies.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL GREAGH
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.



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43B. Sloane Street,
London, S.W.1.

1st May, 1946.

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Sir Michael Creagh,
U.N.R.R.A.,
170 Great Portland Street,
London, W.1.

Dear Sir Michael,

I would very much like to have a talk with you, and I understand from Hogarth that you are anxious to have a word with me.

I wonder whether you could lunch with me at the House of Commons on Friday, May 10th, at one o'clock?

Yours sincerely,

Richard [Signature]

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DATE 1/5 1946

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ACTION: R.S. DEPT.
DIVISION: W.R.
BRANCH: VOL. SOCIETY.
SIR M. CREAGH.

VIENNA.....TO.....LONDON.

No. 1142.

Attention Sir Michael Creagh. Please send immediately copy of part 1 of report of Director General Montreal of September 1944 Appendix 2. Very urgently required.

C/SH



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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

Hotel Moderne, Place de la Republique, Paris.

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15.150
26th April 1946.

MO'S

TO: Sir Michael Creagh,
Liaison Officer for Voluntary Societies,
UNRRA European Regional Office,
Portland Place, London, W.1.

FROM: C. Himes.

SUBJECT:

USFET Memorandum 3 April
Subject: "Quartermaster Responsibility for
UNRRA Sponsored Agencies"

Enclosed for your information are copies of memoranda
Base Section and to Lt. Gen. Morgan, Chief of D.P. Operations, Germany,
concerning the above mentioned USFET Memorandum.

C. Himes
C. HIMES

LIAISON OFFICER FOR VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES.



Hotel Moderne, Place de la Republique, Paris.

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25th April 1946.

TO: HQ Commandant,
Western Base Section.

FROM: UNRRA MISSION TO FRANCE

SUBJECT: UNRRA Memorandum 5 April
Subject: "Quartermaster Responsibility for
UNRRA Sponsored Agencies"

1. The above mentioned memorandum (ad JEP 815-100) which states that UNRRA must authorize all requests for Quartermaster supplies by UNRRA sponsored agencies has come to our attention.
2. The agencies listed have agreements with the UNRRA Central Headquarters for Germany and are sponsored by UNRRA only in respect to their operations in Germany.
3. Many of these and other private relief organizations have programs in France carried on independently of UNRRA. The UNRRA Mission to France is, therefore, not in a position to authorize their requests for Quartermaster supplies.
4. It is requested that the Quartermaster Division of Western Base Section be advised that the UNRRA memorandum applies only to the German operations of these agencies. Arrangements for Army Services to organizations in France, therefore, will have to be made directly with the agencies, as they have been in the past, or through a representative body, as was done for the distribution of POL coupon books.
5. We have notified the UNRRA Central Headquarters for Germany that it should advise UNRRA Main that UNRRA's sponsorship applies only to the German programs of the Agencies listed.
6. It would be appreciated if Western Base Section would also notify UNRRA Main that the UNRRA Mission to France is not in a position to authorize requests by voluntary relief societies for Quartermaster supplies since it is not the coordinating agency for the French programs of these organizations.

H. T. MORRIS
Acting Chief of UNRRA
Mission to France

cc/ UNRRA Liaison Officer
Lt. Gen. Morgan, Arolsen.
Bradford, Arolsen
Craigh, London

Hotel Moderne, Place de la Republique, Paris.

NO'S

26th April 1946.

TO: Gen. F. E. MORGAN,
Chief of Operations,
GERMANY.

FROM: H. T. Morris,
Acting Chief of UNRRA Mission to France.

SUBJECT: Army Agreements regarding Voluntary Societies.

1. There has come to my attention a statement issued by USFET Headquarters (AG 334 WHI-AGO) dated 3 April 1946 regarding "Quartermaster Responsibility for UNRRA Sponsored Agencies." This memorandum, which was distributed to Western Base Section in Paris, states that Quartermaster supplies will be furnished to the eighteen listed agencies sponsored by UNRRA only upon authorization by UNRRA.
2. No mention is made in this statement that UNRRA's sponsorship applies only to the programs of these organizations in Germany carried out under agreement with UNRRA Central Headquarters for Germany. As you know, many of these same organizations have programs in France, and in respect to these programs, operate independently from UNRRA. This USFET memorandum, however, instructs Western Base Section to refuse all Quartermaster facilities except upon authorization from UNRRA. Since the UNRRA Mission to France cannot offer facilities to agencies operating in France, this order is hindering them in dealing directly with the U.S. Army.
3. Enclosed is a copy of my letter to Western Base Section explaining that since UNRRA's sponsorship applies only to the German programs of these agencies, the USFET order does not affect organizations in France.
4. Similar complications arose earlier regarding an USFET order that all UNRRA sponsored agencies receive their petrol requirements through UNRRA. Enclosed is a copy of my letter to USFET Liaison Section to Western Base on the above matter. A copy of this letter has been sent previously to Miss Marjorie Bradford, Liaison Officer for Voluntary Societies.
5. It would be appreciated if USFET Headquarters were advised that all further references to UNRRA Sponsored Agencies should specify that their agreements are with the UNRRA Central Headquarters for Germany and only in respect of their German programs.

H. T. MORRIS
Acting Chief of UNRRA
Mission to France

cc/ Bradford, Arolsen.
Cresgh, London
Miss Himes.

American Council

31. Miss Charlotte Owen who has replaced Mr. Clarence King as Executive Secretary of the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service has had extensive discussions with the Division on termination policy in the Balkans. Many of the agencies have contracted with their personnel for one year service overseas. This is a factor to be considered in taking steps to make adjustments at the end of the military or emergency period in accordance with the ruling of the President's War Relief Control Board that American voluntary personnel is to serve UNRRA for that period.

32. It was agreed that the Council would summarize for us the projected plans of American volagencies for the post-emergency period. At the same time, UNRRA would communicate with the country missions urging that special attention be given to unmet needs which can be served through supplementary projects of volagencies. The American Council is seeking as much data as possible on actual conditions in areas of UNRRA operation in order to facilitate their planning. Arrangements have been made with the Office of Public Information to forward all releases, bulletins, etc., and as much as possible of current reports on volagency performance in the field will be made available. It was also agreed that personnel evaluations now being given at the Training Center at the conclusion of the training period will be forwarded to the Council, and the method of evaluation was discussed.

33. At the request of the Bureau of Areas, a report was made on the American Committee of the GSE (initials for Russian name), indicating that in the opinion of the American Council this is a vital, responsible organization which should be used, if possible, in Polish operations. The indigenous agency in Poland is called TCZ, and the organization specializes in Public Health and Hygiene for Jewish people. A recent letter from the American Committee indicates its willingness to be of service to the Poland Mission.

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March 27th, 1946.

DESPATCHED BY
SECRETARY

29/3/46

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Mr. Leonard L. Henninger,
Bureau of Services,
UNRRA,
WASHINGTON.

Dear Henninger,

I return herewith your paper on the work of Voluntary Relief Agencies in cooperation with UNRRA. I think it is excellent and have filled in for you a list of Societies. I would like to use this in ERO, if you have no objections.

2) AUSTRIA: I still can get nothing out of them. Brigadier Parminter is back here again and I am writing him a note complaining of the lack of information. He promised on the last occasion, three weeks ago, that he would see that we got the information we required. In the meantime, nothing has happened.

3) VAAD: I have sent you a cable today on this subject. You will see that at long last things are beginning to take shape.

4) PADEREWSKI HOSPITAL: We got this all ready to go but it has been held up because the British Government authorities wished to be advised on the value of this Hospital. I tried to get this information from the people in Edinburgh but they had to cable America. I expect it will go off very shortly.

5) DEPUTIES: Many thanks. Shenefield seems to me to be the appropriate person, without having actually seen him. I think it would be a mistake to have a person of "Sectarian religious principles" on this job. I would be grateful if, when the decision is made, you would despatch him by air as he is badly wanted at this end.

No other news. We start fishing on the 15th April in England!

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Michael Creagh,
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

Encs.

Encs.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
YUGOSLAV MISSION
BELGRADE

MONTHLY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 1946

Original WR 4/28/1

Extract for VS 150

Services provided with UNRRA resources

(a) Welfare

1. Services Programs: None
2. Voluntary Societies: Operating at the present moment are the following Voluntary Society Groups:
 - a. Friends Ambulance Unit, Field Bacteriological Unit in Derventa;
 - b. Save the Children Fund Children's clinic in Sarajevo;
 - c. Save the Children Fund Children's Hospital in Lamenica.

Discussions were held during the month with the Bosnian Health authorities regarding the work of the first two units. Dr. Zec, Minister of Health of Bosnia-Hercegovina, expressed very great satisfaction with the work of both groups. He regretted that the policy of the FAU to dissolve their organization would necessitate changes by June in the bacteriological staff. It was agreed that there would be gradual demobilization of FAU personnel from the mobile unit and that Jugoslavs would take over the work. The exact dates of this would depend upon Dr. Zec's ability to find suitable staff. He was, however, very anxious that this type of work be continued. As regards the Sarajevo clinic, it was agreed that its future should be discussed after Dr. Singer's return from London from sick leave and after an investigation of the attitude of Save the Children Fund Headquarters towards making more permanent their contribution to child health in Bosnia. Mr. Rose of Headquarters, FAU, CMT, visited Belgrade and confirmed these plans for the FAU.

3. Contributed Supplies: Supplies of this nature continue to arrive. The Chief Rabbi's Fund in London sent a consignment of clothing which has been handed over to the Jewish community in Belgrade. It may be noted that this community numbered 60,000 before the war and today totals some 500. It is in communication with the other remaining Jewish groups within the country.

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ACTION: R.S.DEPT'
VOL.SOC.LIAISON OFFICE
SIR M.CREAGH

WASHINGTON.....TO.....LONDON

No. 353

Dated : 6th Feb.1946
Rec'd : 6th Feb.1946
23.35 hrs.

[EN CLAIR]

WARD FROM DAVIDSON:

Re your letters of 15th and 18th January. Subject
Vol. Agencies Poland.

If Polish Government now desires Vol.Agency personnel,
we agree mission should approach Government regarding provision
in agreement assimilating Vol.Agency personnel to UNRRA personnel.
Have no objection your instructing mission in accordance last
paragraph your letter 15th January.

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REGISTRY

5/2/46 GS

5th February, 1946.

Thank you so much for notification of your meeting of February 12th. I fear that we are both so occupied here that neither Inner Mrs. Marks will be able to attend.

I am so sorry to hear that Miss Sparks has abandoned you and I have set the wheels in motion to see if I can find you a suitable replacement.

Yours sincerely,

SIR MICHAEL CREAGH
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

Miss Ann Wood,
UNRRA,
British Occupied Zone,
400 UNRRA Adm. Hq.,
B.A.O.R.

Reports and Statistics Branch

Date received - 31.1.46

Copy to : Sir Michael Creagh ✓
Operation Analysis
Registry

Extracts to:-

Division of Welfare and
Repatriation
Division of Health
Dr Ambros
Miss Abrahams
Miss Udell

*for Attachment on
VS. Projects see file
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Mrs Trawls

*Another copy for
Hummings for*

MS

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VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1944.

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A. BRITISH VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES.

There has been little substantial change in either the work or the assignment of teams and individuals during the last month, though some adjustments have been necessary through the repatriation of Voluntary Society members and the arrival of a few reinforcements.

1. WELFARE DIVISION.

Teams and individuals assigned to this division have continued the same work as before except that the British Red Cross team BRU 5 is now disbanded and those members of the team assigned to welfare work are being repatriated at the termination of their contract except one member who remains in the Salonica region on an individual assignment. Similarly the Save the Children Fund members in Chios are reduced now to two, though two of the Society's teams continue to operate in the Athens region and in Kavalla. Of the International Voluntary Service for Peace team which was recently transferred from Athens to Patras, four members are assigned to the Welfare Division and engaged in child feeding in the Patras area and in general field welfare work in the nomoi of the region; the second welfare team of this society remains in Volos. The Friends Ambulance Unit still maintains a team in the Preveza region operating in Preveza itself and in Corfu, Ioannina and Thesprotia, and the Australian Red Cross has part of its members on welfare work in the Salonica region.

A new team of six members sent from England recently by the Friends Relief Service has, after orientation in Athens, now been sent to the Salonica-Kavalla region; this was a long-promised assignment as their society has particular interest in Macedonia. It is anticipated that most members will be given individual assignments in the region as welfare representatives in different nomoi, where they will carry complete responsibility for the welfare programme.

REINFORCEMENTS.

One New Zealand Relief and Refugees Unit of 7 members is due to sail from Sydney during the first week of January, and an Australian Jewish team of 9 members is now awaiting transport; it is hoped that another Australian team will be formed soon. It must not of course be assumed that all these teams will be available for assignment to the Welfare Division, as Displaced Persons Division has also an obvious claim on personnel recruited for relief and refugee work; but there will be additional welfare personnel available to ensure that work on some specific assignment, or on the welfare programme of a whole district, where a team is acting as a unit, has not necessarily to be curtailed when existing personnel is withdrawn for repatriation. At present it seems easiest to supply welfare demands by splitting up teams into smaller groups of two or three, or by giving each member an individual assignment; but the actual disposition of a team depends entirely upon the needs of the moment in each region and on this consideration alone is based the retention of a team as a unit for one specific piece of work or its partition for several assignments.

A. BRITISH VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES

1. WELFARE DIVISION (Cont.)

The present allocation of teams in this division is as follows:

Australian Red Cross	RRU	Salonica-Kavalla Region
Save the Children Fund	RRU 14	Athens and Chios Regions
	RRU 11	Salonica-Kavalla Region
Young Women's Christian Association	RRU 6	Patras Region
International Voluntary Service for Peace	RRU 13	(Part) Patras region and Crete
	RRU 4	Volos Region
Friends Ambulance Unit	RRU 2	Preveza Region
Friends Relief Service	RAU	Salonica-Kavalla Region

2. HEALTH DIVISION

Two teams of the British Red Cross (MHFAU 10 in Crete and MMC 3 in Kavalla) whose members were gradually applying for repatriation during November and early December, have now been disbanded; the departure of MHFAU 10 means that there is now no Voluntary Society medical team in Crete. Some new arrivals from British Red Cross members formerly stationed in Italy have been sent to the Athens region to reinforce the MMC 1 team which had been reduced to only two members. Another much depleted team, the Save the Children Fund RRU 6 in Patras region, awaits new members from England to continue its work on child clinics; a mobile clinic for its use has recently arrived in Greece from the society. The South African Red Cross and Australian Red Cross continue to maintain teams in the Salonica-Kavalla region; it is in this region that the Mission has its greatest concentration of health teams, and most of these are now acting as outposts to carry on work during winter in areas where bad weather and bad roads put many difficulties in the way of the movement of personnel or the distribution of supplies. Part of the Friends Ambulance Unit MHFAU 1 continues to work in the Preveza region, and the Field Bacteriological Unit is now in the Salonica region, based on Edessa. The Scouts International Relief Service maintains the medical supply distribution, and members of the British Red Cross Society, Greek Red Cross and Friends Ambulance Unit are engaged also on this work.

The Tuberculosis Section has made suggestions for the formation of small mobile radiography teams later when the radiographical equipment arrives. Though no personnel has been specifically recruited for these teams, it is hoped to form some from surviving members of those teams which are expecting to disband in April through extensive repatriations; training in the use of the equipment can be given in Greece and involves no specialist medical qualifications.

A. BRITISH VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES

2. HEALTH DIVISION (cont.)

REINFORCEMENTS

It has been mentioned that new arrivals are awaited for one Save the Children Fund team, and in addition there are substantial reinforcements to come from New Zealand and South Africa. Two Public Health teams and one Mobile Laboratory Unit, of 16 persons in all, are leaving Sydney in the first week of January, and three Public Health teams and four more Mobile Laboratory units are promised from South Africa. It is for such specialist teams that the need is greatest now in Greece.

The present allocation of teams in this Division is as follows:

British Red Cross Society	MMC 1 MHFAU 7 MSTU	Athens Region Salonica-Kavalla Region Divided between Patras, Salonica, & Volos regions.
Scouts International Service	MSTU	Divided between Athens, Kalamata, Salonica, and Cyclades Regions.
Save the Children Fund	MHFAU 6	Patras Region
Friends Ambulance Unit	MHFAU 1 FBU 2	(Part) Preveza Region Salonica-Kavalla region.
South African Red Cross	MMC 4 MMC 5 MHFAU 16	(Salonica - Kavalla Region (
Australian Red Cross	MHFAU	Salonica-Kavalla Region
Greek Red Cross (Egypt)	MSTU	Athens, Kalamata, Salonica, & Volos Regions

3. DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION

As was noted in the November report, it is the policy of the Mission to supply administrative staff to the assembly centers and transit camps operated by the Ministry of Repatriation, and it is intended that more and more of such administrative work shall be handed over to Greek personnel. The inflow of Displaced Persons has continued to be much smaller than in the early autumn and in consequence there has been no expansion of teams engaged in work with this Division. The South African Red Cross, the British Red Cross Society, the Guides International Service, the Palestinian Jewish Committee and the International Voluntary Service for Peace have teams in the field; one British Red Cross team which had part of its members engaged on Displaced Persons work has been disbanded, but a few replacements of the same society have arrived from Italy to fill vacancies in the MHFAU 5 team which works with a refugee camp in Salonica. The Friends Relief Service members working in Salonica and Chios are gradually leaving also, but a new member has arrived for special assignment in the Athens area on case work. Displaced Persons centers are established in the Patras area as well as in the Salonica and Athens regions; here two members of the International Voluntary Service for Peace team RVU 13 are seconded from the Welfare Division for Displaced Persons work and it is not anticipated that more will be needed unless there is a sudden influx of refugees to the Patras camp.

A. BRITISH VOLUNTARY SOCIETIES

3. DISPLACED PERSONS DIVISION (Cont.)

REINFORCEMENTS

Mention was made earlier of the expected arrival of one New Zealand and probably two Australian Relief and Refugee teams, on whose members the Displaced Persons Division would have a claim should the need arise for more personnel. Large scale movements of Displaced Persons either into Greece or inside Greece are not likely to occur during the winter months, and it is not possible to gauge far ahead the exact requirements of staff should any considerable movement start again in spring. The Displaced Persons centers continue to operate as holding camps and reinforcements or reassignments of personnel will depend on future developments.

The present allocation of teams in this division is as follows:

British Red Cross Society	MHFAU 5	Salonica-Kavalla Reg.
South African Red Cross	MHFAU 15	(Part) Athens Region
Guides International Service	RRU 7	Athens Region
Friends Relief Service	RRU 15	Salonica & Chios Reg.
International Voluntary Service for Peace	RRU 13	(Part) Patras Region
• Palestinian Jewish Council for Relief Abroad	MHFAU 13	Salonica-Kavalla Reg.

B. AMERICAN PRIVATE AGENCY PERSONNEL SECONDED TO UNRRA.

There have been very few changes in the disposition of personnel of American private agencies. Now only five such agencies are represented, as the Young Women's Christian Association of America has no longer a representative working with the Greece Mission. Assignments have not been altered, and all personnel are, as before, working as individuals, specializing in some particular field in either the Health, Welfare, or Agricultural Division.

The following table shows the present allocation of personnel:

HEALTH DIVISION

Near East Foundation - 6 members

4 on UNRRA H.Q. Staff, Athens
3 in Cyclades
1 in Mytilene

Greek War Relief Association

1 member on UNRRA H.Q. Staff, Athens

AGRICULTURAL DIVISION

Near East Foundation

2 members on UNRRA H.Q. Staff, Athens

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B. AMERICAN PRIVATE AGENCY PERSONNEL SECONDED TO UNRRA.

WELFARE DIVISION

Near East Foundation - 2 members

1 on UNRRA H.Q. Staff, Athens
1 in Salonica-Kavalla Region

Congregational Christian Service Council - 2 members

1 in Salonica-Kavalla Region
1 in Crete

Girl Scouts of America

1 member formerly in Chios, now in Athens

American Joint Distribution Committee

1 member formerly in Salonica-Kavalla Region, now in Athens

Greek War Relief Association - 6 members

2 in Cyclades
1 in Crete
1 in Preveza Region
1 in Salonica-Kavalla Region
1 on UNRRA H.Q. Staff, Athens

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Dear Davidson,

Further to my letter of 15th January concerning the position of Voluntary Society Personnel in Poland, we have now received from our Polish Mission copy of a letter addressed to them by the Under-secretary of the Polish Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare and I am enclosing a copy for your information. You will see that the attitude of the Polish Government has changed considerably from that which they took at the time of the negotiation of the Agreement and that they now appear anxious to receive assistance from Voluntary Societies. In view of this, I think our position is strengthened in requesting an amendment to the Agreement so as to provide proper protection for Voluntary Society personnel.

Yours sincerely,

Dudley Ward

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Rzeczpospolita Polska Ministerstwo Pracy i Opieka Społecznej

Warsaw, 17th December 1945

To the UNRRA Mission,
Polonia Hotel,
Warszawa.

Your observations on the territory of Poland have convinced you undoubtedly that the emergencies of the Polish population, especially of children, aged, crippled, and others unable to work, are enormous and urgent and that they cannot be fully met by local resources, even combined with the supplies of UNRRA.

Accordingly the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare is anxious to get full help from the foreign voluntary agencies for the purposes of Social Welfare, of course with the consent of UNRRA.

Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, responsible for welfare services appreciates fully the role of Polish voluntary agencies and in fact gives them help; also it is ready to give welfare services to Polish voluntary agencies.

In connection with the above, in order to promote a close working relationship between the Ministry, UNRRA and foreign and Polish voluntary Societies, the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare asks UNRRA to coordinate the activities of foreign voluntary societies and thus to facilitate such contact.

As a means of coordination the Ministry is creating an Advisory Committee on voluntary contributions, with representatives of the Ministry, UNRRA and of leading Polish Welfare agencies.

This Committee will have its first meeting on December 21, 11 a.m., in the building of the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare, 19 Jasna, to which the Ministry is inviting a representative of the UNRRA Mission in Poland.

This Committee will consider as priority in satisfying the needs from the services of the foreign societies; it will examine special requests for such services and all other matter whose aim is to promote the initiative for help on the part of foreign societies.

(Signed) F. Mantel,

Under Secretary of State

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J. E. King
Sir Michael Creagh

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Thank you.

Michael Wood

Ask Permit to Aid Germans

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (UP).—American Relief for Germany, Inc., a new national organization of local relief groups, has asked the President's War Relief Control Board for permission to solicit funds and to send food, clothing and medical supplies to the German people. The Presidential board will consider the application at its meeting tomorrow, the relief association said.

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Private Agencies Held Needed for European Relief

NEW YORK. (AP)—Col. Charles Poletti, former governor of New York and once head of the American military government in Italy, said yesterday that the relief job in Europe "never can be done exclusively by government agencies—we have got to have the assistance of private agencies."

Addressing the annual convention of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid society, Poletti criticized congressional delay in appropriating funds for UNRRA and declared that he detected on his return to the United States "a growing cynicism toward the ideals which guided us during the war."

Poletti called the suffering of Jews abroad under the Fascists "the worst indictment of civilization" and added that he did not subscribe to the belief that it was caused by "one or two superiors" or by people carrying out orders.

"I know of instances where it was done by many on their own initiative," Poletti said. "Jews have got to be helped by every decent American." *Washington Post*

Asserting that race or religious prejudice was thoroly un-American, Poletti declared that "in the army the boys didn't have it. There was minimum of discrimination in the armed forces." 1/31/45

Hayduk.

The Douglas army bomber, propelled by twin propellers in its tail, flew eastward across the country Dec. 8 in 5 hours, 17 minutes, which the National Aeronautic association is recognizing as a record between Long Beach, Calif., and Washington.

The plane averaged 432 miles an hour for 2,295 miles. It was handled by two army pilots who reported the trip was without incident and smooth.

Turks Deny Pupil Incident Anti-R

BY EDWIN B. GREENWALD

ANKARA (Delayed). (A) — A Turkish note to the Soviet Union Saturday denied that Dec. 4 student demonstrations in Istanbul reflected a hostile attitude toward Russia, and charged that false information from TASS, Soviet news agency, was at the base of the misunderstanding.

Texts of the Russian protest and the Turkish reply were released hours after a Moscow radio broadcast summaries of the documents. The Moscow radio summary ended with an assertion that the Turkish reply was unsatisfactory, but Turkish authorities had no comment.



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Dear Mr. Hogarth,

I enclose copies of the two latest reports from the Greece Mission. I hope that you will make these available to the interested Societies.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. P. Tiarks,
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

W.D. Hogarth, Esq.,
Council of British Societies for Relief Abroad,
75, Victoria Street,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

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Dear Mr. Hogarth,

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I enclose a copy of a letter from the Polish Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare officially requesting UNRRA to coordinate activities of foreign voluntary societies.

Sir George Rendel has been in touch with our Legal Department on the subject of immunities and privileges of Voluntary Society personnel and Mr. Aicken has cabled Washington asking for an official recognition of the status of foreign Voluntary Society personnel, granting them the same privileges and immunities as those accorded to UNRRA personnel.

He anticipates no difficulty over this request.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. P. Tiarks,
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

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Dear Miss Bradford,

... I am sending you some copies of telegrams which are self explanatory but deal with an important matter of policy.

I think that this will be issued as an instruction in due course (I am not certain) but I feel in any case that it is a matter on which you should be informed and am therefore sending you copies for your own information.

Yours

SIR MICHAEL GREAGH.
Vol. Socy Liaison Unit.

Miss M. Bradford,
UNRRA Central Headquarters,
FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN.

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8th January, 1946.

TO : Mr. Harold H. Lund
Chief Welfare Officer, Polish Mission.

FROM : Sir Michael Creagh, Vol.-Soc'y Liaison Unit.



VOLUNTARY AGENCY AGREEMENT

I have to thank you for your minute of the 27th December and am so glad that agreement has been reached on the co-ordination of Vol-Agency activities by UNHRA.

I note the other points made in this letter. Thank you.

I have just seen the Chief of Mission on his way through London and am informed on the Committee of American Vol.-Agencies which he wishes to be set up in Poland so that they can originate supplementary projects in close collaboration with the Committee of indigenous societies. The Chief of Mission discussed and arranged this matter during his visit to Washington and I have informed the Vol-Agency Branch in Washington that if such personnel are sent to London, I will forward them as speedily as possible.

I shall be interested to hear of the second meeting, which I understand is to be held early in January, and to receive any information as to what projects are developed.

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