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Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe

6 JUN 1945

My dear Mr. Acheson:

We have received your letter of 31 May nominating Miss Ruth Amende as United States representative on the Subcommittee on Industrial Rehabilitation for Europe and as alternate for Mrs. Edith Penrose on the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

We should also like to acknowledge your letter of 31 May nominating Mr. Charles Hogan as United States member on the Subcommittee on Displaced Persons for Europe and Miss Amende Mr. William Bruce Lockling and Mrs. Edith Penrose as alternates.

We are forwarding these nominations to the chairmen of the technical committees concerned in accordance with the Rules of Procedure which provide that "The chairman of the technical committee shall, with the approval of the committee, appoint the chairman and members of each such subcommittee."

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Division
Secretariat

The Honorable Dean Acheson
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Sc/D.Garrett/HL
5 June 45

CC: Randolph
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26 February 1945

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Government of Greece has nominated Dr. A. P. Cawadias as a member of the technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe in place of Miss Anastassiades who has gone abroad. Mr. L. Carolides has been nominated to serve as alternate to Dr. Cawadias.

The Rules of Procedure provide that "The chairman of the technical committee shall, with the approval of the committee, appoint the chairman and members of each such subcommittee." We are, accordingly, passing this nomination on to you for your consideration. The appointments made by you to the subcommittees are subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Division
Secretariat

The Honorable
Viscount Alain du Parc
Minister
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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CC: Ruth Williams, Randolph

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INCOMING TELEGRAM

State Department Telegram
Transmitted to UNRRA
4.30 p.m., January 9, 1945
Code

FROM: London (To Secretary of State Washington from Winant)
NUMBER: State Department's Number 16
DATED: January 1, 1945

Last week at a meeting of the Welfare Committee of UNRRA, an unusual procedure was adopted by Sir Arthur Bucker, British representative on the Welfare Committee, and Rendel, British representative on the Committee of the Council for Europe. Both attended the meeting and expressed strong and lengthy criticism of the inability of UNRRA to furnish relief now to the people of Europe and that UNRRA be permitted greater freedom of action was urged by them.

It was admitted by Bucker that the Welfare Committee could do little to remedy the situation but he hoped to cast a stone which would start ripples spreading to the very top. He demanded a frank statement from UNRRA on events in Yugoslavia and France and an explanation of UNRRA's inactivity; he asked why UNRRA hadn't begun its relief activities; why UNRRA didn't give blankets to the people of Normandy when the voluntary societies could give them relief.

It was felt by Rendel that there was a danger that relief would fail and UNRRA be blamed. This could only be avoided if the "supreme authorities" were forced to face their lances which they were loath to do, and if the responsibility for each failure to provide relief were fixed on the proper authorities. He urged that the "illusory and academic" concept of the six months military period which was the cause of "devastating harm" should be abandoned at the earliest possible moment.

Also the Polish and Czech representatives spoke of the urgent requirements of their nationals in France and warned that the Allied governments were starting to feel that more relief might be secured for their people, if, without reference to UNRRA, they attempted to secure supplies on their own.

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11 December 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Government of Czechoslovakia has nominated Mr. Frantisek Deomar and Ing. O. Englander to serve in place of Professor Ambroz and Dr. Jiri Fischer on the technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

May we have your authorization to cable the European Regional Office that you have appointed Mr. Deomar and Ing. Englander a member and alternate of that Subcommittee? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Division
Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York 20, New York

D. Garrett

CC: Ruth Williams, Randolph

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29 September 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Polish representative on the Committee of the Council for Europe has nominated Mr. Pawel Czechowicz as a member of the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe in place of Mr. Wladyslaw Zulawski. May we have your authorization to cable the European Regional Office that you have appointed Mr. Czechowicz a member of the Subcommittee? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Division
Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

D. Garrett
CC: R. Williams ✓



*Ref. Inclusions
Room
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11 November 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Belgian Government has nominated Miss Theodora de Winter to serve as an alternate on the technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

May we have your authorization to cable our Regional Office that you have appointed Miss de Winter to serve as an additional alternate on that Subcommittee? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc

Commercial Counselor

Belgian Embassy

630 Fifth Avenue

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New York, New York



9 November 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Canadian representative on the Committee for Europe has nominated Mrs. S. Morley Scott to serve on the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

May we have your authorization to cable our European Regional Office that you have appointed Mrs. Scott a member of that Subcommittee? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

CC: Ruth Williams, Randolph, Harrell

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6 November 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

Referring to my letter of 30 October asking your authorization to cable the London office that you had appointed Mr. A. J. Clasen and Mr. A. Als as alternate members of the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe, we have now been informed that the Government of Luxembourg desires that Mr. Clasen serve as the member of the Subcommittee with Mr. Als as the alternate member.

May we therefore have your authorization to cable the London office that you have appointed Mr. A. J. Clasen a member of the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe and Mr. A. Als as the alternate of Mr. Clasen on the Subcommittee?

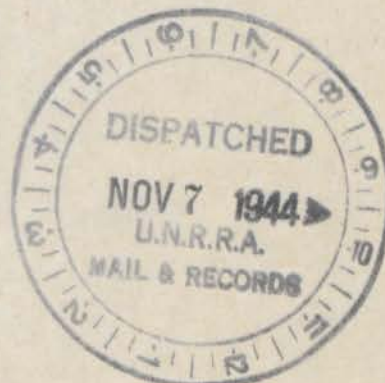
Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

D. Garrett

CC: Ruth Williams, Randolph, Harrell





Washington 6, D.C.
October 31, 1944.

Dear Madam:

I wish to inform you that Mr. Morley Scott, of the staff of Canada House in London, England, is being considered for appointment to the London Technical Sub-Committee on Welfare of UNRRA.

Mr. Scott's nomination has received the approval of the Canadian Government, and it is understood that arrangements are being made with the Committee on Europe to submit Mr. Scott's name to the Director General for transmission to the Chairman of the Technical Committee.

Yours sincerely,

G. L. Magann

pa G. L. Magann,
Attaché.

Miss Ruth Williams,
Administrative Assistant,
Division of Welfare, UNRRA,
Dupont Circle Building,
Washington, D.C.

31 October 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Belgian Government has nominated Doctor Heyne as an alternate to the Belgian representative on the technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

May I have your authorization to cable our European Regional Office that you have appointed Doctor Heyne as an alternate on that Subcommittee? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene S. Sergeev
Chief, Committee Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York

D. Garrett

CC: Ruth Williams Randolph, Harrell



30 October 1944

My dear Viscount du Parc:

The Government of Luxembourg has notified the Secretariat that it has nominated Mr. A. J. Clasen and Mr. A. Als to serve as alternates on the Committee for Europe and all of the technical subcommittees for Europe.

May we have your authorization to cable the London office that you have appointed Mr. Clasen and Mr. Als as alternate members of the Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe? Such an appointment is, under the Rules of Procedure, subject to the approval of the standing technical Committee on Welfare at its next meeting.

Sincerely yours,

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Chief, Committee Secretariat

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York 20, New York

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16th June, 1944

Dear

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"B. INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

It is evident that the formulation of a concerted plan for welfare will require from the member Governments a declaration of policy and of the extent of their needs for selected services or for the whole range of welfare services described above. The Division will also need to know the plans of the military authorities and of the other Divisions of the Administration.

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Information required will include:-

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It was agreed that the reports to be submitted by members should not be extensive, but should give a fairly broad outline of the position in their countries, to be followed by discussion where necessary between individual members and officers of the Division.

I shall be glad to receive a report from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

- WELLWOOD

LETTERS SENT TO:

M. Bastin, Belgium
Dr. Kunosi, Czechoslovakia
M. Ricci, France
Dr. Cawadias, Greece
M. Blum, Luxemburg
M. Ferwerda, Netherlands
M. Zulawski, Poland
Dr. Milos Sekulic, Yugoslavia
Dr. Caspersen, Norway

Handwritten: Daniels 911
August 15th, 1944

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

STANDING TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON WELFARE FOR EUROPE

A meeting of the Sub-Committee will be held on Wednesday, August 23rd, 1944 at 10 a.m. at No. 15 Portland Place, W.1. in Room 1501. An agenda will be sent to you in a day or two.

I trust you will be able to attend.

W. A. H. Hepburn.
Secretary.

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Miss Bennett

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INCOMING TELEGRAM

Received in UNRRA
5:30 p.m., August 14, 1944

FROM: London
NUMBER: 618
DATED: August 12, 1944

8 September Please suggest to Vicomte Duparc convening of Standing Technical Committee on Welfare for ~~Scania~~ in order to receive reports from London sub-committee for the Council. These reports will include sub-committee's comments on general directive for welfare missions with special reference to Europe as well as findings of work of 5 expert commissions:

1. Studies based on questionnaire.
2. Supply ~~of~~ requirements / for welfare services.
3. Child care.
4. Welfare of displaced persons.
5. Plans and directives.

Commission of 5 has been receiving draft directives to welfare missions in the light of plans of member govts. Child care commission and studies have in particular made good progress. The latter has dealt with answers to questionnaire and is now proceeding to discuss with Allied authorities specific plans on basis of their respective plans. Though we had hoped to have Marsh for this work reports on a number of countries will be completed by September.

In this connection I am concerned with passage on study of project in report division for week ending 5/8. Please refer to note of /?23/6/ on studies. We shall risk dangerous duplicating of work and creating misunderstanding between Washington and London Committees, if terms of that note are not strictly observed in division. Since questionnaire was referred to London and especially since Allied Govts. here are daily

developing operating plans which they could not refer in detail to their Washington Embassies, final drafting of UNRRA Welfare plans for European activity should be done in London. On the other hand we have been hoping to receive from you final drafts of general studies which would form useful basis for work in different expert commissions. Miss Gifford's arrival with material for Commission on Welfare of displaced persons has greatly assisted work on this section which is proceeding jointly with displaced persons division.

What is position of general report of Standing Committee to the Council? If, as I very much hope, you can arrive here by 20/8 we would have time to ask the sub-committee to see this before it finally goes forward.

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GOUVERNEMENT PROVISOIRE
de la
REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE

18, Upper Grosvenor Street,

LONDON, W.1.

20th June 1944.

Dear Mr. Hepburn,

Please find enclosed a number of documents concerning the "Entr'aide" and the Co-ordinating Committee of French Red Cross Societies in Liberated Territory.

You will notice that these two committees are almost entirely made up of civil servants, this being due to the fact that at the time Algiers had practically no contact with France itself. These committees will no doubt be set up on a wider basis after the liberation of France.

The answers to your various questions are as follows:

(1)- Welfare in France is in the hands of two bodies which work in close mutual collaboration - the Red Cross, which is responsible for all matters pertaining to health, while the "Entr'aide" deals with all other welfare matters.

This latter body only takes direct action when private organisations cannot cope with the work or are unable to undertake the branch of Welfare work required in some particular place.

Whenever possible, the Entr'aide limits its activity to co-ordinating, supervising and, where necessary, financing.

(2)- As the various services of the Entr'aide are carrying on in occupied France under the title of "Secours National", they will possibly be able to pursue their task uninterrupted under the new name provided destruction is not too widespread.

The French Government would like to see all Welfare matters co-ordinated under the Red Cross and the Entr'aide, but as it is highly probable that the work to be done will be far beyond the scope of these two bodies, the help of U.N.R.R.A. and Allied Welfare Societies will be gratefully accepted. A detailed plan of action can only be gradually drawn up as the liberation of

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France proceeds.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) R. de Ricci

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M. Ricci, France
Dr. Cawadias, Greece
M. Blum, Luxemburg
M. Ferwerda, Netherlands
M. Zulawski, Poland
Dr. Milos Sekulic, Yugoslavia
Dr. Caspersen, Norway

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INCOMING TELEGRAM

Received in UNRRA
2.00 p.m., July 24, 1944

FROM: London
NUMBER: 517
DATED: July 18, 1944

Meeting of standing technical subcommittee on welfare for Europe arranged for July 20 postponed until July 24. Main business to receive a report on Balkans from Miss McGeachy and to approve terms of reference of expert commissions.

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Excerpt from Minutes of Second Meeting of
Standing Technical Committee on Welfare for
Europe

In accordance with the resolution passed at the
first meeting of the Subcommittee (TWE/E(44)3
paragraph 3), the subcommittees and working
parties appointed by the Subcommittee will in
future documents be referred to as Expert
Commission I, II, III etc. viz.:-

Expert Commission I	dealing with Studies
II	Principles
	of Welfare Requirements
III	Child Care
IV	Welfare of
	Displaced Persons
V	Methods of
	Determining Needs and Services

Welfare Com. - Regional

18 May 1944

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Harry Greenstein

I telephoned Viscount du Parc and told him that conditions beyond our control had made it impossible to have a Netherlands national as Chairman of the Welfare Subcommittee in London. Viscount du Parc stated that since he had already discussed the proposal with the Netherlands Ambassador he would like to call him to make sure he understood the situation. This he did. He quoted the Netherlands Ambassador as saying he was perfectly satisfied, that possibly his government in London would feel this was a better solution.

Viscount du Parc then said he had no objection to the cable going to London nominating Kounosi as Chairman.

Welfare - Regional Comm

11 May 1944

TO: Dr. Gulick
FROM: M. Craig McGeachy

I will repeat the substance of the information which Vicomte du Parc and I gave you today.

A month ago Vicomte du Parc was asked for his views about the Chairmanship of the London Sub-Committee on Welfare. He said that he hoped that the Chairman of this Committee would be Dutch for a number of reasons. An obvious one was that the officers of the Standing Technical Committee in Washington represent Belgium, Poland and France, respectively, that is in general the Catholic experience in Europe with regard to questions of social welfare. A Dutch Chairman in London would remedy this lack of balance.

In the Netherlands the Catholic and Protestant sections of the population are equally strong; neither is a minority with respect to the other; and this means that social legislation and practice represents a balance of two approaches to the problem.

Vicomte du Parc suggested that the Dutch Government be asked to appoint Mr. Paul Rykens as Chairman. Mr. Rykens is a Privy Counsellor and the Chairman of the Dutch Committee on Post-War Social Legislation. Vicomte du Parc was given to understand that there would probably be no political problem in the way of carrying out his wish. He reported to his Government in London that he had made this suggestion and they have no doubt spoken to the Dutch with whom they discuss many problems in this field. On Wednesday of last week Baron von Boetzelaer, the Minister at the Netherlands Embassy, rang me up to say that his Government had instructed him to tell Vicomte du Parc that they had appointed Mr. Rykens to the Welfare Committee. The obvious meaning of this message was that the Netherlands expected to have the Chairmanship of the Welfare Committee. I reported this fact to Sir Arthur Salter.

I think that what is needed now is to complete the circle of information by letting Sir Frederick know that Vicomte du Parc has taken an active interest in the matter and that the Dutch Government have shown a laudable desire to cooperate with us in making the London Committee a strong and useful one.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

STANDING TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON WELFARE

TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEES ON WELFARE
FOR EUROPE AND THE FAR EAST

At the organization meeting of the Standing Technical Committee on Welfare held in Washington, January 13, 1944, the Chairman was authorized by action of the Committee "to appoint the members of the subcommittees and the chairmen thereof after consultation with the Chairmen of the respective regional committees" and was advised "that all such appointments shall be subject to subsequent formal approval by the committee, in accordance with Article V, paragraph 4, of Annex I to the Rules of Procedure".

Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe

The member governments have notified the Director General of their nominations for the European technical subcommittee, and after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee of the Council for Europe, Viscount Alain du Parc has designated Dr. A. Kunosi (Czechoslovakia) as Chairman, and the following as members and alternates of the subcommittee:

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Belgium	Mr. Charles Bastin M. G. Stadler, alt. Lt. J. R. A. Callens
Czechoslovakia	Dr. A. Kunosi Prof. M. V. Ambros, alt. Dr. Jiri Fischer, alt.
Greece	Dr. Cawadias
Netherlands	Paul Rykens G. F. Ferwerda, alt. T. Th. A. H. van der Putten, alt.
Norway	Dr. Jonn Caspersen Dr. Alf Sewerlin, alt.
Poland	Mr. Wladyslaw Zulawski
U.K.	Sir Arthur Rucker
U.S.A.	Miss Frieda S. Miller, temporary
Yugoslavia	Dr. Milos Sekulitch Dr. Veljko Milenkovic, alt.
Luxembourg	René Blum

INCOMING TELEGRAM

Received in UNRRA
9:45 a.m., July 11, 1944

FROM: London
NUMBER: 476
DATED: July 7, 1944

Second meeting of Standing Technical sub-Committee on Welfare of Europe was held on Thursday July 6.

1. A report was received from Miss McGeachy.
2. Sub-Committee agreed to constitution of working parties on child care, welfare of displaced persons, and methods of determining needs and services.

Convenors were appointed memberships to be agreed between chairman and convenors.

Next meeting to be held on Thursday July 20 to discuss terms of reference of working parties and receive reports on progress of work.

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16 June 1944

Mr. Leonard B. Pearson
Minister Counselor
Canadian Embassy
1746 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike:

I am listing below the information which I have at hand about the members of the Technical Subcommittee on Welfare in London, in reply to your request of June 6:

Mr. Bastin -- Government official
Lt. Callens -- Active Army officer, member of Belgian
Civil Affairs Division
Prof. Ambros -- Member of the Department of Social Welfare
Mr. Rykens -- Not a government official; he is Chairman of
the Committee on Post-War Social Legislation in
Holland, Director of Unilevers
Mr. Ferwerda -- Member of the Netherlands Repatriation
Commission
Dr. Caspersen -- Government official
Sir Arthur Rucker -- Senior official in the Ministry of Health
Miss Kathleen Halpin (alt.) -- Was organizer of the W.V.S. for
the London municipal area
Miss Frieda Miller -- Member of the U. S. Embassy staff in
London, reports to the U.S. Department of
Labor

Yours sincerely,

M. Craig McGeachy
Director, Welfare Division



Washington, D.C.
June 6, 1944.

Dear Mary:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 1st replying to my enquiry of May 30th regarding the membership of the Welfare Subcommittee in London.

Would you be so good as to let me know in each case whether the representatives are government officials or members of private voluntary agencies?

Yours sincerely,

Mike Pearson

Miss M. Craig McGeachy,
Director of the Welfare Division,
UNRRA,
Dupont Circle Building,
Washington 6, D.C.

3. Technical Subcommittees on Welfare for Europe and the Far East

Chairman: Dr. A. Kunosi

Location: London

<u>Country:</u>	<u>Members (or alternates)</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
Belgium	Mr. Charles Bastin M.G. Stadler, (alt) Lt. J.R.A. Callens	Government Official Active Army officer, member of Belgian Civil Affairs Division
Czechoslovakia	Dr. A. Kunosi Prof. M.V. Ambros (alt) Dr. Jiri Fischer (alt)	 Member of Dept. of Social Welfare
Greece	Dr. Cawadias	
Netherlands	Paul Rykens G.F. Ferwerda (alt) J. Th. A.H. vander Putten (alt)	Not a Govt. official; is chairman of Committee on Post-War Social Legislation in Holland; Dir. of Unilevers Member of Netherlands Repatriation Commission
Norway	Dr. Jonn Caspersen Dr. Alf. Sewerlin (alt)	Government official
Poland	Mr. Wladyslaw Zulawski	
United Kingdom	Sir Arthur Rucker Miss Kathleen Halpin (alt)	Senior official, Min. of Health Was organizer of W.V.S. London municipal area.
United States	Miss Frieda S. Miller (temporary)	Member of U.S. Embassy staff in London. Reports to U.S. Dept., of Labor
Yugoslavia	Dr. Milos Sekulitch Dr. Veljko Milenkovic (alt)	
Luxembourg	Rene Blum	

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Members of the Welfare
Sub-committee in London

Belgium

Mr. Charles Bastin
M. G. Stadler, alt.

*Czechoslovakia

Lt. J. R. A. Callens
Dr. A. Kunosi
Prof. M. V. Ambros., Alt.
Dr. Jiri Fischer, alt.

Greece

Dr. Cavadias

Netherlands

Paul Rykens

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G. F. Ferwerda, alt.

Dr. John Caspersen

Dr. Alf Sewerin, alt

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U. S. A.

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Yugoslavia

Dr. Mihos Sekulitch

*Chairman

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TWE/E(44)5.

STANDING TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON WELFARE FOR EUROPE.

Amendments to Minutes of First Meeting (June 15,
1944) TWE/E(44)3.

Page 2, para. 4.

Add at end:-

"It was agreed that Mrs. Denhardt should
invite the I.L.O. to be represented on the
Studies Sub-Committee."

Page 2, para. 7, line 7.

After "organisations" add "at meetings of the
Technical Sub-Committee."

Hon. H. Lehman

*to
Daniels*

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TWE/E(44)4.

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

WELFARE TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE.

The SECOND meeting of the Sub-Committee will be held in Room 1311 (First Floor), at 13 Portland Place, on Thursday, July 6th, at 10.30 a.m.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes of the First Meeting held on June 15th, 1944, (TWE/E(44)3, already circulated and TWE/E(44)5 attached).
2. Presence of observers at meetings of Technical Sub-Committees for Europe. (Memorandum from Committee of Council for Europe attached)
3. To receive a report from Miss McGeachy, Director of Welfare, U.N.R.R.A.
4. To consider the organisation of emergency Welfare Services, and in particular the methods to be adopted to make available the relevant knowledge and experience of the member nations.
5. To ~~receive~~ a communication from the Standing Technical Sub-Committee on Displaced Persons for Europe about welfare services for displaced persons.
6. Any other business.
7. Date of next meeting.

STANDING TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON WELFARE FOR EUROPE

Names not included on mimeographed list:

Luxembourg

Mr. Rene Blum

Netherlands

Mr. J. Th. A.H. van der Putten, (alt.)

Yugoslavia

Dr. Veljko Milenkovic

(alt.)

10 June 44

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AMEMBASSY

LONDON

UNRRA FROM LEHMAN

1. Activities and plans of Welfare Division requested your cable 340 summarized in reports of Director attached to minutes of Welfare Committee meetings and already forwarded.
2. Would hope London Committee would appoint Studies Subcommittee and ask them to proceed with collection of material answering questionnaire referred to our cable 271. Study project outlining program of work of Studies Subcommittee in Washington enroute to you by air.
3. Amended memorandum on relations between UNRRA and voluntary agencies was presented at June seventh meeting of Washington committee. This document contains few minor changes from April draft sent to you.
4. Over half of positions for Balkan Mission filled. Greenstein and Dula enroute to Cairo. Leet, Welfare Director for Greece, leaves soon. Hope for early reply to Greenstein letter to Fulton June 2 regarding progress London recruitment.
5. Would suggest early subsequent meeting of Welfare Subcommittee after arrival Miss McGahey in London.

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FOREIGN RELIEF AND REHABILITATION OPERATIONS

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5. Refer our telegram no. _____. Hope to hear
from you.

(Old telegram: Whether or not they had
reviewed Mr. Greenstein's recommendations
regarding representatives for people in
charge of shelter, etc.)

Miss McGeachy
Room 911

INCOMING TELEGRAM

Received UNRRA
5.20 p.m., June 9, 1944

FROM: London
NUMBER: 340
DATED: June 6, 1944

First meeting of the sub-committee on Welfare for Europe has been arranged for Thursday June 15. Please send urgently copies of plans and programmes adopted in the division in Washington to enable a statement on the present position to be made to the committee.

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* Responsibility for initiating appropriate reply.

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.
8 June 1944

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Chairman
Standing Technical Sub-Committee
on Welfare for Europe
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation
Administration
11 Portland Place
London, W. 1

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Meanwhile, you have, I expect, seen the documents that have been worked on by the Standing Technical Committee in Washington. I am attaching a note of the remarks which I made at our meeting yesterday.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND
REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION,
11a, Portland Place,
W.1.

23rd May, 1944.

My dear Craig,

Thank you for sending me a copy of your minute to Dr. Gulick of the 11th May explaining the reasons why you were so anxious to get Rykens as Chairman of the Welfare Sub-Committee. Unfortunately there was nothing that we could do here to help. The Chairmanship of these Sub-Committees was a political matter which had to be settled between the Governments represented on the Central Committee and the negotiations were centred in Washington. I gather that there was a good deal of difficulty in adjusting the points of view, particularly about the Displaced Persons Sub-Committee, and by the time your suggestion came through, a settlement had been reached on the basis that the Dutch should get the Chairmanship of the Displaced Persons Sub-Committee and the Czechs that of the Welfare Sub-Committee. The Foreign Office, who were responsible for the London end of these negotiations, were quite firm in refusing to re-open them, and as we were anxious to have the Sub-Committees meet as soon as possible, the only thing was to accept the arrangement which had been decided upon. Personally, I do not think that it matters much which country

Miss M. Craig McGeachy.

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gets the Chairmanship provided the individual is a competent
Chairman, and I should have preferred to see the Chairman selected
by the Sub-Committees on merits rather than made a matter of
political prestige. It was a pity that the suggestion about
Ryken was not put up to the State Department and the Central
Committee in the first instance, as the result is rather embarrassing
for him! However, he is a good fellow and will, I am sure, accept
the position with a good grace.

I hope that we may see you over here before long as the
Welfare Division here ^{badly} needs organising. I am sorry that Miss Halpin
has now been snatched up by the British Government for Washington,
so she will not be available for us, at any rate for the time being.
However, Rucker is being active and helpful and he will do his best
to find us some suitable alternative.

Write all my love to her.
Yours sincerely,

J. W. Leitch

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The Chairman of the standing technical Committee on Welfare, Viscount Alain du Pare, may wish to make a statement along the following lines to the Committee at its meeting on April 6, especially if a question is raised regarding the status of action with respect to the organization of a European subcommittee of the Committee:

1. The Committee, at its meeting on January 13, 1944, authorized me to appoint the members and the chairmen of our Subcommittees for Europe and for the Far East, after consultation with the chairmen of the regional committees.
2. Organization of the Subcommittee for Europe is well advanced, nominations of individuals to serve as members of the Subcommittee having been received from all of the member governments to be represented on that Subcommittee. Progress has also been made with respect to the Subcommittee for the Far East, nominations having been received from some member governments.
3. I am in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee of the Council for Europe and I expect very shortly to be in a position to appoint the chairman and members of the Subcommittee for Europe, in agreement with him.
4. I expect also to be in a position soon to take similar action with respect to the Subcommittee for the Far East.
5. I hope to be able to place these appointments before the Committee for formal approval at its next meeting.

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DA:KVeatch/db
6 April 44

Approved by
J. S. Mullen, Stat. Dept.
by telephone
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Regional sub

Miss Williams
Room 911

SECRETARIAT

1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.
6 June 1944

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York 20, New York

Dear Viscount du Parc:

Mr. Robert Marjolin, French Committee, has just advised us that the French representative on the Standing Technical Subcommittee on Welfare for the Far East is to be Mrs. Joy Alcan, 2900 Adams Mill Road, N.W., Washington 9, D. C. (Telephone: DEcatur 8400).

Sincerely yours,

Luther Gulick
Acting Chief

cc: Miss Ruth M. Williams ✓

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6 June 44

AMBASSADE DE BELGIQUE

630 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 20, N. Y.

Welfare Com.

DL34/750

May 31, 1944

VdP/VT

Dear Miss McGeachy:

I wish to thank you for your letter of May 23 enclosing for my files a memorandum confirming my telephone conversation with Mr. Greenstein regarding the suggestion as to the Chairmanship of the Standing Technical Sub-Committee on Welfare for Europe, offered by Mr. Ernest Brown, Chairman of the Committee for Europe.

I note that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, Deputy Director-General in London, was immediately requested to constitute the Sub-Committee in London.

As you suggested, I am sending to Dr. Gulick written confirmation of my decision regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Vicomte du Parc

Vicomte du Parc

Miss M. Craig McGeachy,
Director, Welfare Division
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration
1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.

ENCLOSURE (copy of letter to Dr. Gulick)

5134/732

May 31, 1944

Dr. Luther Gulick
Acting Chief of Secretariat
Room 531, Dupont Circle Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Gulick:

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2. I designate Dr. A. Kunosi of Czechoslovakia Chairman of the Subcommittee.

Sincerely yours,

CC: Miss McGeachy ✓

Viscount Alain du Parc
Chairman, Standing Technical Committee
on Welfare

Welfare Com. - Viscount du Parc

23 May 1944

Vicomte Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor
Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Viscount du Parc:

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It may be helpful to you to have the attached draft in preparing for our files written confirmation of your decision regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

M. Craig McGeehy
Director, Welfare Division

Welfare Com. - Viscount du Parc

13 May 1944

TO: Viscount Alain du Parc
FROM: Ruth Williams
Secretary of the Committee
SUBJECT: Chairmanship of the Standing Technical Subcommittee
on Welfare for Europe

The Director General of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration has been informed by the Chairman of the Committee of the Council for Europe, through the office of the British Minister Resident in Washington, that he would propose the appointment of Dr. A. Kunosi as Chairman of the Standing Technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe; Dr. Kunosi, as you know, has been nominated by the Government of Czechoslovakia as its representative on that Subcommittee.

Accordingly, you are now free to proceed to appoint the Chairman and members of the Standing Technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe. The Secretariat of the Administration will be pleased to transmit your instructions regarding such appointment to the individuals concerned through the office of the Administration in London.

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Chairman, Standing Technical Committee
on Welfare

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

May 4, 1944

Miss McGeachy:

For your information.

Luther Gulick

C O P Y

AMBASSADE DE BELGIQUE
630 Fifth Avenue
New York 20, N.Y.

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VdP/VT

April 29, 1944

Dear Mr. Gulick

I am in receipt of your letter of April 26 giving me the list of the members of the Technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe whose names have been set forth by the member Governments.

I wish to thank you for this information.

I have been expecting news from London concerning the nomination of the Chairman of this Subcommittee. However, to date I have had no word. If no letter is forthcoming in a few days we might discuss this matter when I am in Washington around May 10th for the next meeting of the Standing Technical Committee on Welfare.

Yours sincerely

(signed) Vicomte du Parc

Vicomte du Parc

Mr. Luther Gulick, Acting Chief
Secretariat
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration
1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.

Regional Subc.

Miss Mc Gachy

SECRETARIAT

20 April 1944

Viscount Alain du Parc
Commercial Counselor, Belgian Embassy
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Viscount du Parc:

At the meeting of the standing technical Committee on Welfare on January 13, when you were elected Chairman, the Committee asked you to take responsibility for naming the members and Chairman of the Technical Subcommittee on Welfare for Europe.

The member governments have notified the Director General of their nominations as follows:

<u>Belgium</u>	Mr. Charles Bastin Monsieur G. Stadler (alt.) Lieut. J.R.A. Cailens
<u>Czechoslovakia</u>	Prof. M. V. Ambros Dr. Jiri Fischer (alt.)
<u>Greece</u>	Dr. Cavadias
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Viscount Alain du Parc

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You will wish to have this list of names before you,
I am certain, when action is taken to constitute the
subcommittees for Europe.

Respectfully yours,

Luther Gulick
Acting Chief

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FOR LITH. ROSS FROM LITH. B #208

Viscount Alain du Pero, Chairman of the Standing Technical Committee on relief, appoints Dr. J. Kunosi, of Czechoslovakia Chairman of the Standing Technical Subcommittee on relief for Europe, and appoints following as members of Sub-committee:

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ATTENTION: Lehman
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1 June 1944

Mr. L. B. Pearson
Minister Counselor
Canadian Embassy
1746 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike:

I have your note of May 30 and in reply am sending you the agenda for the forthcoming meeting of the Standing Committee on Welfare to which is attached the list of members of the London Committee as it stands at present.

Yours sincerely,

M. Craig McGeachy
Director, Welfare Division



Washington, D.C.
May 30, 1944.

Dear Mary:

Our people in Ottawa are giving consideration to the matter of Canadian representation on the Welfare Subcommittee in London. It would help them very much if you could let me know the present membership of the Subcommittee, as thus far appointed by the Chairman of the Standing Technical Committee here.

I should be particularly grateful if you could let me have a list of the countries represented with the name of the representative in each case and an indication whether the representative is a government official or a member of a private voluntary agency.

Any information that you may be able to give me will be greatly appreciated.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mike

Miss M. Craig McGeachy,
Director of the Welfare Division,
UNRRA,
Dupont Circle Building,
Washington 6, D.C.

BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

13th May, 1944

Personal and Confidential

My dear Craig,

One point in your letter of May 5th evidently needs clearing up. When I read it, I was a little puzzled by your statement that "Viscount du Parc, knowing that I had spoken to you about this actually told the Dutch that he hoped this would happen" - that is, that the Dutch would be asked to provide the Chairman of the Welfare Sub-Committee, in order to redress the Catholic balance here.

I gather from Jackling that you attach some importance to having mentioned this to me. It seems now of equal importance to me to make my own position clear. I must admit that although you may well have spoken to me, I have no recollection of you having done so. If so, it must have been after the meeting when my exhaustion was such that I did not absorb it.

Yours sincerely,

Am.

A. D. Marris

Miss Craig McGeachy
Director of Welfare Division
U N R R A
Washington, D.C.

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May 13, 1944

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FOR LEITH ROSS FROM LHM N #208

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ADDRESSED TO: British Embassy, Washington
FROM: Foreign Office, London
DATED: May 11, 1944
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TELEGRAM NO. 4110

Following for Lehman from Leith Ross telegram no. 232 of May 9.

Netherlands Government has nominated Mr. P. Rijkens as member on technical advisory sub-committee on welfare in place of Mr. G. F. Forwerda who will now be alternative.

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RELIEF 102

Following for Lehman from Ernest Brown.

Will you please convey to chairman of Standing Technical Committees on displaced persons, welfare and industrial rehabilitation my recommendation for chairmanship of European Technical sub-committees as follows:

For sub-committee on displaced persons:

M.G.F. Fer/we ? ral/da, Netherlands

For sub-committee on Welfare:

Dr. A----- Kuncsi, Czechoslovakia.

For sub-committee on industrial rehabilitation:

M. Andre Leprevost, French National Committee

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11 May 1944

TO: Dr. Gulick
FROM: M. Craig McGeachy

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McGeachy:rm
11 May 44

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11 May 44

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REFERRING YOUR LETTER THIRD MARCH HAVE NOW ACCEPTED DUTCH
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WILLINGNESS ACT AS CHAIRMAN OF THAT COMMITTEE IF SO DESIRED
FULLSTOP KIND REGARDS=

PAUL RYKENS.

1734.

BRITISH EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

5th May, 1944.

Private and Confidential

My dear Craig,

I wish I could help you but this question of chairmanships of the London Committee has been one of the most aggravating and complicated with which we have had to deal over these past weeks.

It will, I think, save you embarrassment if I do not go into all the details but you will have to accept my word for it that a Czech could not have been accepted as chairman of the displaced Persons Sub-Committee, could not have been accepted as chairman of the Industrial Rehabilitation Sub-Committee. The Agricultural and Health Sub-Committees have already, by agreement, gone to Sir John Russell and Melville Mackenzie respectively, and inevitably a Czech was appointed to receive the Welfare Sub-Committee. I do not dispute, however, the essentiality of finding the right Czech. London has already recognized that Ambros is not the most suitable appointee and was proposing to see if the Czech Government was prepared to put forward a stronger candidate.

The only action I feel I can take on your letter is to telegraph London urging that they press the Czechs for the most suitable possible candidate and that he should be a protestant. I have already sent such a telegram incorporating in it the considerations making this desirable which emerge from your letter and I am afraid that this is the most it is possible for me to do.

Yours ever,

A.D. Marris

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Miss M. Craig McGeachy,
Director, Welfare Division,
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration,
Dupont Circle Bldg.,
Washington, D.C.

EUROPEAN REGIONAL COMMITTEE

NOMINATIONS TO TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON WELFARE

<u>Belgium</u>	Mr. Charles Bastin, Minister Plenipotentiary, Director of the Central Services for Belgian Refugees in London.
<u>Greece</u>	Dr. Cavadias
<u>Netherlands</u>	G. F. Ferwerda, Commissioner for the repatriation of Netherlands subjects. J. Th. A. H. van der Putten, Chief of Section, Department of the Interior. (Alternate)
<u>Norway</u>	Dr. Jonn Caspersen, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service. Dr. Alf Seweriin, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service. (Alternate)
<u>United States</u>	Miss Frieda S. Miller, Special Assistant, American Embassy, London (Temporary Representative)
<u>Brazil</u>	
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March 31, 1944

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Welfare Division copy
Regional Sub-Committee

2 May 1944

TO: Sir Arthur Salter
FROM: H. Craig McGeechey

Mr. Jackson tells me that word has been received of nominations to the chairmanship of the different functional committees meeting in London. According to this news, Displaced Persons is to be chaired by a Netherlands national and Welfare by a Czech.

I wonder whether there is still room to discuss these choices. In the hope that this may be the case, I would suggest that the following be put to London.

Some time ago when the Chairman of the Standing Technical Committee on Welfare was invited to express his view he said that he hoped that the London Welfare Committee would be chaired by a Netherlands national. This was of some importance if we were to secure a balance of European experience in the Welfare Committee's work, particularly in view of the fact that the Committee meeting in Washington has for officers a Belgian, a Frenchman and a Pole, representing in general the Catholic approach to social welfare. A Netherlands national would bring experience from a country both Catholic and Protestant, in which neither group is a minority with reference to the other, and both European and extra-European. An additional happy circumstance was that if they were offered the chairmanship the Netherlands government would appoint Mr. Paul Rykens, a Privy Councillor and member of the Dutch Committee on Post-War Social Legislation. Mr. Rykens is Vice-Chairman of Unilevers and would thus bring support beyond merely the social working group to the work of UNRRA.

Yesterday morning the Netherlands Embassy rang up to say that their Government had in fact appointed Rykens and Foranda to the Welfare Committee in London.

Take too the case of the Committee on Displaced Persons. Czechoslovakia has perhaps a major interest in the problem of displaced persons, since a large population will pass through that country. The Czech Government had appointed their Commissioner for Repatriation, Koumori, member of the Committee on Displaced Persons. He is of chairmanship calibre.

The Czech who now seems to be suggested as chairman of the Welfare Committee is Ambros, a relatively junior official whom the Czech Ministry of Social Affairs had suggested to us as staff. He is not at all of the stature of a chairman.

I wonder whether one could still inquire to what extent these choices were deliberate. I say this because it is my impression that the chief problem discussed by the British, American and USSR people concerned with making these recommendations was where to place the USSR chairman.

Sir Arthur Salter

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2 May 1944

It may be that, taking that as the major point, they made the nominations to the Displaced Persons and Welfare Committees without taking into account considerations such as the ones I have put down here. If this should turn out to be the case, it would, I think, be a pity to let these considerations go by default.

Copies: Mr. Jackson
Mr. Hoehler

McGeachy/rmw
2 may 44

Miss Ruth Williams

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Following for Lehman from Leith-Ross Tel. No. 135.

The Yugo Slav Ambassador in London confirms that Dr. Milos Sekulitch will be Yugo Slav representative on the Welfare and Health Sub-Committees.

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To Leith-Ross from Salter #96

I understand that the British Embassy telegraphed the Foreign Office last night advising that the State Department and the Soviet representative here were in agreement with the Embassy on suggestions for the chairmen of four of the European regional technical subcommittees. No suggestion was offered for the chairman of the welfare subcommittee but there was no disagreement and the choice was left to London.

It was further suggested that the chairman of the European Committee telegraph immediately to the British Resident Minister here requesting him to put before the chairmen of the standing technical committees the nominations for the subcommittee chairmen offered by the European Committee chairman in his consulting capacity and to urge the immediate appointment of the subcommittees and their chairmen. You will be informed the moment that action is taken here by the standing committee chairmen.

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Following for Salter from Sir F. Leith Ross. No. 121

My immediately preceding telegram paragraph 3.

This decision makes it all the more urgent to secure constitution of technical sub-committees without delay. Where chairmanship of Standing Committee is vacant can not Vice Chairman be got to act? If all the committees cannot be set up at once, can not action be taken to set up some of them?

ACTION: Mr. A.D. Harris

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Mr. Paul Rykens is a member of the Royal Privy Council of the Netherlands and a Director of Unilever's. He has recently been engaged in making a study of the social legislation which should be adopted in the Netherlands after the war.

While not having been trained specifically in the field of social work, Mr. Rykens has an acquaintance with the broad problems of this field and is very much interested in reconstruction in the social as well as the industrial line of Europe. In his own Company, he has been responsible for the appointment of an adviser on social policy in the person of Professor David Mitrany.

Mr. Rykens would make an excellent Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee to the Committee on Welfare and could, I think, be persuaded to serve.

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF and REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
1734 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

March 3, 1944

Private and Confidential

Paul Rykens, Esquire
Unilever's, Inc.
Unilever House
London, E. C. 4

My dear Mr. Rykens:

I am writing this note entirely "officieusement" to let you know of a step which Vicomte du Parc and I took this morning with the Netherlands Embassy.

You may know that Vicomte du Parc (Belgian) is the Chairman of the UNRRA Committee on Welfare which has been set up to advise this Division. The Atlantic City Conference provided that there should be set up in London a regional advisory committee on Welfare to assist M. du Parc's committee on Welfare matters relating to operations in Europe. That committee and its chairman are, according to the Atlantic City Conference, to be appointed by the chairman of the International UNRRA Committee to which it refers. UNRRA has already sent a circular letter to the Governments asking them to put up their candidates for this regional technical committee on Welfare. It is, however, within the competence of M. du Parc to discuss these candidates or suggest others.

We have suggested to the Netherlands Embassy that they should report to their Government the fact that we should very much like to have a Netherlands National chairman of our London Advisory Committee and that, if you could be induced to accept this post, we should be extremely grateful for the help which we know you could give us there.

Now I know that you are terribly busy, and it must often seem to you that you simply cannot accept another job. But I do beg of you, if your Government speaks to you about this, that you will not turn it down without thinking very seriously of some of the conversations which we had in London three months ago. We shall require from our London Technical Committee as much expert knowledge as can be assembled; but in addition we shall very badly need the counsel of someone whose experience of life has been wider than that of the average expert on social problems, whose presence on the Committee will lend prestige to the welfare approach to questions of European recovery.

You could make a very great contribution to the welfare work in UNRRA and thus to the whole atmosphere of the period of recovery in Europe; I do ask that you do your very best to do this for us all.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary Craig McGeachy/km
3 mar 44

1734 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
March 3, 1944.

Mr. Harry Greenstein,
Deputy Director, Welfare Division,
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration,
1734 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Greenstein:

I am delighted to know that you are being sent to London on mission for the Welfare Division of UNRRA. I wonder whether I might ask you to undertake an additional duty while you are there.

You will remember that UNRRA has communicated with all the member Governments asking them to suggest candidates for the Technical sub-Committee on Welfare to advise my Committee on matters arising in connection with European operations. I am anxious that we should establish close contact with the members of the Technical Committee in London as early as possible, and so I should be grateful if you would undertake to call upon the candidates which have been proposed and inform them of developments here.

I would hope, too, that you would have time to call upon the responsible people in the Governments who have not yet proposed candidates in order to expedite this and, where it may seem desirable, to assist them by suggesting the kind of competence which we would hope to have on the Technical Committee.

Yours very sincerely,

President, Technical Committee
on Welfare.

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En Clair

Tel. No. 2535

Following for Salter from Leith-Ross No. 110.

Your telegram No. 68.

Brazil has made one nomination only Senhor Alencar for Agriculture.. Canada nominates Lieutenant Colonel J. G. Robertson for Agriculture, Colonel Milton Brown for Health, Mr. Anson McKim for Industrial Rehabilitation. Czechoslovakia nominates Engineer Jan Nemecek with Dr. Engineer Vaclav Kac as alternate for Agriculture Dr. A. Kunosi with alternates Captain Ph Engineer V. J. Zuffa and Mr. E. Herman for Displaced Persons Mr. F. Vondrich with alternates Mr. K. Brumlik and Mr. J. Friedmann for Industrial Rehabilitation Professor L. V. Ambros with alternate Dr. Jiri Fischer for Welfare. Poland nominates Dr. L.D. Kochowski as alternate to Professor Nowakowski for Health. United Kingdom nominations were given in my telegram No. 99. Luxemburg nominates Mr. Victor Biel for Agriculture and Mr. Carlos Meyers for Displaced Persons. French Committee nominated M. Forestier with alternate M. Grammont for Displaced Persons M. Jean Levy with Alternate Cdt Mathe for Industrial Rehabilitation and Professor Dubouché for Health. Iceland (C) nominates Mr. S. Magnussen for Agriculture as regards the Committee of Council for Europe Iceland has nominated Mr. Magnus V. Magnussen as alternate representative Czechoslovakia has nominated as alternates Mr. F. Vondrich and Mr. Karel Liscky the remaining names will be cabled when received.

ACTION: Mr. A.D. Marris

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Tel. No. No. 2375

Following for Lehman from Leith Ross number 99.

Following nominations have been received of U.K. representatives:

Agriculture - Sir John Russell

Health - Doctor Melville Mackenzie

Welfare - Sir Arthur Rucker

Displaced persons - Sir George Rendel

Industrial rehabilitation - not yet nominated.

ACTION: Mr. A.D. Marria

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Feb. 29, 1944

AMERICAN EMBASSY

LONDON

FROM LEHMAN FOR LEITH ROSS FOR JACKSON #41

The following additional information as to technical subcommittee nominees received from Netherlands Embassy:

1. Owing to typographical error representative for Industrial Rehabilitation was given as C.G.W.H. van Boetzelaer instead of D.C.C. Baron van Boetzelaer.

European Subcommittees:

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| 2. Mr. Eygenraam | Department of Agriculture and Fisheries |
| Mr. Bakker | ditto |
| Mr. Ferwerda | Commissioner for the repatriation of Netherlands subjects ✓ |
| Dr. van den Belt | Chief, Section of Public Health, Department of Social Affairs |
| Mr. Huender | Consul General, Department of Foreign Affairs |
| Mr. van der Putten | Chief of Section, Department of the Interior (alt.) |
| Baron van Boetzelaer | Industrial Section, Department of Commerce, Industry and Navigation |
| Mr. Akkerman | Chief of Section for Return and Reconstruction, Department of Public Works |

Far Eastern Subcommittees:

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| 3. Mr. Honig | Member of the Board of the Netherlands Indies, Surinam and Curacao |
| Mr. Sitsen | Member of the Board for the Netherlands Indies, Surinam and Curacao |
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Netherlands Embassy
Washington 9, D. C.

GA-988

February 26, 1944

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Sincerely yours,

s/s
Minister Plenipotentiary

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Minister Plenipotentiary

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ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL
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OF THE KINGDOM OF THE
NETHERLANDS
Washington, D.C.

January 21, 1944.

The Director General
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration
1734 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

The Member of the Council for the Netherlands asks me to inform you that the Netherlands Government has designated the persons listed on the attached sheet to serve on the regional subcommittees of the standing technical committees of the Council.

In each case the first name is that of the member of the subcommittee; the following names are those of their alternates.

Yours very truly

A. H. Philipse

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation
Administration

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Tj. Bakker

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P.H.W. Sitsen

Displaced Persons:

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J.W. Akkerman

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

London

FROM LEHMAN FOR LEITH ROSS FOR JACKSON #39

Following persons have been nominated to represent Norwegian Government on European Subcommittees of standing technical committees of the Council:

Subcommittee on Agriculture:

Representative: Mr. Lars Grimelund Kjelsen, Secretary, Norwegian Ministry of Agriculture
Alternate: Mr. Finn Frost, Agricultural Graduate

Subcommittee on Displaced Persons:

Representative: Dr. Karl Evang, Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service
Alternate: Dr. Alf Sewerin, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service

Subcommittee on Health:

Representative: Dr. Karl Evang, Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service
Alternate: Dr. Jonn Caspersen, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service

Subcommittee on Industrial Rehabilitation:

Representative: Mr. Fredrick Vogt, Professor in Mechanics at the Technical University of Norway
Alternates: Mr. Finn Dahl, Director of the Norwegian Employers' Association;
Mr. Erik Brofoss, Chief of Division, Norwegian Ministry of Supply and Reconstruction

Subcommittee on Welfare:

Representative: Dr. Jonn Caspersen, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service
Alternate: Dr. Alf Sewerin, Assistant to the Surgeon General of the Norwegian Public Health Service.

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EXCERPTS FROM LETTER of the

NORWEGIAN EMBASSY
Washington, D. C.

February 25, 1944

Honorable Herbert H. Lehman,
Director General
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration,
1734 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Director General:

With reference to my letters of January 6th and 27th last regarding appointment of Norwegian representatives to the . . . (Welfare Sub-committee) I have to inform you that by Royal Decree of February 18th, 1944, the following appointments have been made:

(list of Sub-committees on Industrial Rehabilitation, Agriculture Health and Displaced Persons)

Sub-committee on Welfare:

Representative: Dr. John Caspersen, Assistant to the Surgeon^a
General of the Norwegian Public Health Service.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/s W. Morgenstierne
Ambassador of Norway.

Alternate: Dr. Alf Sewerinn, Asst. to the Surgeon
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AMERICAN EMBASSY

LONDON, ENGLAND

FROM LEXIN FOR LETH-ROSS FOR JACKSON #35

Following persons have been nominated to represent U. S. Government on European Subcommittees of standing technical committees of the Council:

1. Subcommittee on Health - Temporary representative, Dr. Hamilton Southworth, American Embassy, London.
2. Subcommittee on Welfare - Temporary representative, Miss Frieda S. Miller, Special assistant, American Embassy, London.
3. Subcommittee on Displaced Persons - Temporary representative, Mr. Charles Hogan, American Embassy, London.
4. Subcommittee on Agriculture - Mr. Loyd V. Steere, Agricultural Attache, American Embassy, London.
5. Subcommittee on Industrial Rehabilitation - Mr. Philip Reed, Chief of Mission of Economic Affairs, London.

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Department of State

February 23, 1944

My dear Governor Lehman:

In accordance with your request, I wish to advise you that the following persons have been designated to represent the United States Government on the European subcommittee of the standing technical committees of the Council.

1. Subcommittee on Health
2. Subcommittee on Welfare - Temporary representative, Miss Frieda S. Miller, Special Assistant, American Embassy, London.
3. Subcommittee on Displaced Persons -
4. Subcommittee on Agriculture -
5. Subcommittee on Industrial Rehabilitation -

Sincerely yours,

(s) Dean Acheson
Assistant Secretary

The Honorable
Herbert H. Lehman
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The Honorable
Herbert H. Lehman
Director General,
United Nations Relief and
Rehabilitation Administration.

Miss McGeachy
Room 911

2 May 1944

To: Sir Arthur Salter
From: H. E. Gaustin

I discussed with Mr. Jackling of the British Embassy the proposal made by Miss McGeachy in her memorandum of May 1 that the Chairmanships of the Welfare and Displaced Persons Committees should be switched between the Dutch and Czech members of those Committees.

Jackling's case against making any such change was that arrangements had already gone too far to make this possible without threatening to upset all the arrangements which it has taken so much time and negotiation to settle. Had we known earlier and made our proposals sometime ago, a change might have been possible. But the position now is that the British expect to be notified tomorrow, May 3, of recommendation that Ferwarda should be Chairman of the Displaced Persons Committee and that in two to three days we should have firm recommendations as to the persons to serve as Chairman for the Welfare and Industrial Rehabilitation Committees.

The fact that the Czech member of the Welfare Committee is a junior official was known to London and it was Jackling's belief that an alternative nomination would probably be made in view of the proposal that the Czechs should have the chairmanship.

Subsequently I discussed this with Mr. Jackson and we agreed that under the circumstances it would be unwise to press the matter further.

Copy to -
Mr. Hoehler
Miss McGeachy ✓
Mr. Jackson

EXCERPT FROM LETTER OF

Ambassade de Belgique

Washington, February 14, 1944.

Dear Mr. Lehman:

With reference to your letter concerning the appointments for the Standing Technical Committees for Europe of the UNRRA, I am pleased to inform you that my Government has suggested the following Belgian experts to sit on these committees:

(Lists of sub-committees on Health, Agricultural Rehabilitation, Industrial Rehabilitation, and Displaced Persons, then)

Sub-committee on Welfare:

Mr. Charles Bastin, Minister Plenipotentiary, Director of the Central Services for Belgian Refugees in London.

I shall be very grateful if you will transmit these recommendations to the chairman of the various standing technical committees.

Very sincerely yours,

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THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR

Mr. Herbert H. Lehman
Director General,
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration
Washington, D.C.

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November 30, 1943

Dear Mr. Director General,

Following today's resolution of the Committee of the Council for Europe on the creation of Standing Committees, I have the honor to give you below the names of our experts, whom I should like to designate as alternates of the Member from Greece on the Standing Technical Sub-Committees as follows:

Standing Technical Subcommittee on Agriculture:

Mr. D. Soulidis, Agriculturist

Miss R. Zafirion, Economist - (Substitute)

Displaced persons:

Mr. A. Adossides, Economist

Health:

Dr. Cavadias

Welfare:

Dr. Cavadias

Industrial Rehabilitation:

Miss R. Zafirion

I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

K. Varvaressos

1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.
4 May 1944

PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. A. D. Marris
Relief and War Supplies Department
British Civil Secretariat
P. O. Box 680
Washington, D. C.

Dear Denny:

The news about developments with regard to the chairmanship of the Welfare Committee is rather disturbing, as I am afraid we may be in for some embarrassment later on.

On paper at least the Atlantic City Conference ruled that the Chairman of the Standing Technical Committee was to appoint the chairman of his corresponding advisory committee meeting in London. A month ago when the last meeting of the Standing Technical Committee was being held in Washington Viscount du Parc said that he hoped the London chairman would be a Netherlands national in order to repair the lack of balance of experience reflected in officers of the two Welfare committees. I think that I explained this to you at the time. Since the three officers of the Welfare Committee reflect in general the Catholic approach to social welfare in Europe, everyone concerned felt it important that the London committee should be chaired by a Netherlands national. The Netherlands is obliged always to adjust both views in its internal discussion and organization of social welfare since it has both Catholic and Protestant populations, neither of which is a minority with regard to the other.

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Meanwhile, I believe that the idea had been developed of asking the Czechs to chair the Welfare Committee and giving Displaced Persons to the Dutch. This could not be more baffling since I believe Displaced Persons were looking forward to having a Czech chair their committee, Mr. Kounosi.

The suggestion that Ambros should be chairman of the Welfare Committee is the final blow. Ambros is a junior official whom his Minister offered to us as staff a month ago, and we are still considering his application. I cannot think that one could expect either Sir Arthur Rucker, Mr. Rykens or Sir Edward Peacock to act as members of a committee of which Ambros was chairman.

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1734 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D.C.

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am transmitting herewith for the information of your government copies of the minutes of the meetings of the Standing Technical Committees of the Council on Agriculture, Displaced Persons, Industrial Rehabilitation, Welfare, and Health, held in Washington, D. C. on January 13 and 17, 1944.

I desire particularly to call attention to the resolutions passed by these committees creating regional subcommittees "to advise the Committees for Europe and for the Far East and the chief representative of the Director General in the region concerned, respectively" and authorizing the chairmen of the standing technical committees to appoint the members of such technical regional subcommittees and the chairmen thereof, after consultation with the chairmen of the respective regional committees.

In this connection, it may be appropriate to quote the report of the Committee on Organization and Administration (Committee I) adopted unanimously at the Atlantic City meeting which reads in part as follows:

".....The Committee.....deems it important to emphasize to the Council the desirability of firmly establishing the principle that the standing technical committees and subcommittees should be relatively small groups of experts, selected solely for their special competence and familiarity with the questions with which they are to deal."

The technical subcommittees for Europe will work in London with the Committee for Europe; while the technical subcommittees for the Far East will work in Washington for the time being, with the Committee for the Far East.

I shall be very glad to transmit to the chairmen of the various standing technical committees any recommendations which your government may wish to make in regard to appointments to the technical regional subcommittees, together with such statements as may seem indicated of the special qualifications of the individuals who may be recommended.

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Herbert H. Lehman
Director General

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