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UKRAINE AND BYELORUSSIA.

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RSUR 269 CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES SECTION CLOSED DOWN END SEPTEMBER NO MORE
FUNDS AVAILABLE STOP SHIPPING CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR TO VALUE OF £1103 SHIPMENT
NUMBER 1370

Supply
"J" Contributed Supplies

F. Paton for Mr. Fiedel.
23/10/46

23 OCT 1946
18.10

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REUR 347 CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES SECTION CLOSED DOWN END SEPTEMBER NO MORE FUNDS
AVAILABLE SHIPPING CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR TO VALUE OF £579. SHIPMENT NUMBER
1370.

Supply

"J" Contributed Supplies
F. Paton for Mr. Fischel.
23/10/46

22 OCT 1946

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INCOMING CABLE

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ACTION: Dept Supply.
Div. Proc. 2.
Branch J.
Miss Bowie .

KIEV TO LONDON

No. 269
(En clair)

D. 3rd October, 1946.
R. 4th October, 1946.
1332 hrs.

Re your letter from Bowie dated 12th June 1946 just received.
Please cable confirmation this cash still available so that we may
discuss requirements with Government. Such donations urgently required
and efficiently utilized here.

BG/JMB



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To: The Chief of UNRRA Mission to Byelo Russia.
From: Miss J.M. Bowie
Head of Contributed Supplies E.R.O.

We have been awaiting a list of supplies for a children's welfare project promised in your cable of July 21st. As this has not yet come to hand we are buying what goods appear to be generally suitable for children's institutions as they become available. I have already purchased 1,625 blankets size 62" x 40" which are suitable for use in children's homes, and which we hope will be shipped very shortly.

We have now been instructed by Washington to close down Contributed Supplies at the end of this month and I am leaving the Administration and going to America immediately afterwards. If your list of supplies is received we will pass that to the appropriate Procurement Section and ask them to purchase whatever is suitable and available and ship it to you.

We are still hoping that Mr. Waller will call in before the end of the month.

20th September, 1946.

INDEXED ACTION COPY

DESPATCHED FROM CABLE SECTION
TIME 0930 HRS.
DATE 10/9 1946

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ACTION: DEPT. SUPPLY
DIV. PROC. 2.
BRANCH: J.
MISS BOWIE.

MINSK.....TO.....LONDON

No. 347
(EN CLAIR)

Dated: 7th Sep. 1946
Rec'd: 8th Sep. 1946
10.31 Hrs.

Attention Bowie. Not repeated Washington. Kindly advise status Gift Supplies, Children Allocation, Byelorussia. What sum available? Waller, our Mission, intending see you London, on way Headquarters.

P/SH.



INCOMING CABLE

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ACTION: DEPT. R.S.
BRANCH: VOLY. SOCY. LIAISON
SIR MICHAEL O'DRAGH
COPY: MISS DOWIE.

ROME.....TO.....LONDON

No. 2870
(EN CLAIR)

Dated: 6th Sep. 1946
Rec'd: 6th Sep. 1946
19.12 Hrs.

For Benjamin Bassett, Voluntary Society Liaison Cawin.

Re your letter August 15th and cable 2534 Rome.

Workshop for Blind can use about 20 quintals per month
15/2 and 7/1 wool suitable for Dubied Knitting Machines.

MN/SH.

ACTION COPY

INCOMING CABLE

OG 26/24/1

DESP
TIME 1430
DATE 24/7

OG. CS7/- / B Rem

ACTION : OFFICE OF D.G.
MR. WOODBRIDGE.

MINSK.....TO.....LONDON

No. 243.

Dated : 21 July 1946.

(EN CLAIR)

Rec'd : 8.39 hrs. 22 July 1946.

ATTENTION BOWIE AND BURINSKI.

not used Ex. Reg 4-

Re your letter 12th June. Subject cash for Gift Supplies. Appreciate allocation Byelorussia. Extensive Child Welfare Program operating this Republic extremely limited Supplies. Government screening most urgent needs preparatory cataloging bringing list within thousand pound limit. Please see our 117 % repeated *June 5th* Washington 110. I would greatly appreciate any possible increase in your allocation Byelorussia.

cc Action Mr. Cummings.

KS/CC.

to: Miss Bowie
for action
from Woodbridge



C.S.7. ✓

To: Head of UNRRA Mission to the Ukraine
From: Miss J.M. Bowie
Head of Contributed Supplies E.R.O.
Subject: Cash available for gift supplies

We receive certain donations to UNRRA which are intended to supplement the original supplies made available through UNRRA's supply programme. These donations can very suitably be expended on special welfare supplies for children. If you have any special requirements which you can catalogue for us, we could probably make available up to £1,000 to be spent here on supplies for such projects for your Mission.

In view of the public relations value of these cash donations and the supplies purchased with them, we should be particularly anxious for these supplies to be utilised in such a way that we could have some account of their use for information purposes on this side.

We shall be glad, therefore, through your Welfare Department, to have details of any special supplies you have need of, as speedily as possible.

12th June, 1946.

C.S. 7. ✓

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31st May, 1946.

JMB/BK

12/6/46

FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

INCOMING CABLE.

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copy DG 26/24/1.

ATTENTION: INFORMATION DIV:

MR. CUMMINGS.

COPY TO MR. BURINSKI.

MINSK.....TO.....WASHINGTON.

NO.5y110.

EN CLAIR.

Repeated LONDON 117.

Dated 5th June.1946.

Rec.5th June.10.45 hrs.

SCANDRETT TO WEINTRAUB LILLY. RE YOUR 21 - SUBJECT CHILD FEEDING.

- (i) Conference June 1st with Byelorussian Education Minister Mrs.Uralova and Vice Health Minister N T Estaviev disclosed following information on Byelorussian child feeding programme now largely supported by UNRRA food: -

3 meals daily given to 28,800 war orphans in childrens Homes; 12,000 Preschool children in permanent nurseries, a figure to increase to 50,000 in seasonal nurseries for farm and forest workers children this year; and to an estimated 112,000 children who will go this summer to 3 month vacation camps, which cared for 60,000 children last year. Supplementary food given on M.D. prescription to infants and children up to three at Government operated milk kitchens. Special diet given to T.B. and sick children at Health Schools in forests. The Government feeds all children in schools for handicapped, which include at least 12 schools for deaf and dumb and one, repeat one school for the blind. Noon lunch only given to 500,000 children in public schools it consists of sandwiches, butter, cheese, tea, cocoa and some milk. Very needy school age children get additional meal in evening at Government playgrounds. By foregoing measures Government endeavours restore child health severely impaired by malnutrition under German occupation. Byelorussian Authorities say present feeding programme inadequate and many children suffer want, chiefly war orphans of estimated 300,000. Of these only about 70,000 are registered and provided for including 28,000 in childrens homes and 20,000 in foster homes and 2,000 in nurseries. The remaining 230,000 are said to live with relatives, neighbours, but are unregistered with Authorities. Among the children cared for in childrens homes are 7,200 repatriated from German Slave Labour Camps.

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- (ii) UNRRA supplies contribute large share of food dispensed under child feeding programme. In 6 childrens homes visited by Mission 90% all food other than cereals and potatoes was from UNRRA.
- (iii) If UNRRA food allotments for Byelorussian children increased the Government plans the following:
To open childrens homes for an additional 12,000 children this year, to put 5000 children into sanatorium type homes where they get one to two months special medical and nutritional care,

to open two T.B. childrens sanatoria with a total of 500 beds to open at least 12 new health schools in forests, to provide an additional 600 beds for children in sanatoria and to open an estimated 12 homes for widowed mothers. Expansion programme waits increased supplies food, equipment, linen, soap.
- (iv) With increased allotments the Government will also improve quality of child feeding. Chief food needs expressed by Vice Minister Health Estawiev were butter, milk, fats and vitamins. Compared to pre-war 100 grams daily children in childrens homes now receive 20 grams per day. Rickets, scurvy and anemia all increased markedly during occupation and effects still evident in malnutrition. For prevention and therapy require such elementary vitamins A, B, complex, C, D and perhaps E.
- (v) Detailed data on infant and child health including nutrition levels disease rates and food habits being prepared by Ministry Health will follow soonest.

F/KAW.