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UNITED NATIONS
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

TELEPHONE: M 0418
CABLE AND TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
"UNRRA", SYDNEY

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

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Box No. 4101 G.P.O.

52 WILLIAM STREET
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

29th December, 1945.

Despatch No. 10

Mr. Buell Maben,
Acting Chief of UNRRA Mission to Greece,
Tameon Buildings,
4 Churchill Street,
ATHENS. GREECE.

Dear Sir,

Shipment to Greece
from New Zealand

This will confirm our cable No. 15 despatched on the 26th November, advising you that the vessel "Marie Bakke" had departed from New Zealand for a Middle East port, carrying UNRRA supplies destined for Greece.

The total shipment comprises 2626 packages. Of these, 1033 are clothing and footwear, including a small amount of bedding and material, which was collected in a nation wide campaign, for overseas relief.

The Council of Organisations for Relief Services Overseas has obtained 41 bales of greasy wool which is suitable for home spinning and donated it to UNRRA for distribution in Greece.

One box of used medical instruments is also included in the shipment. They were collected by the New Zealand Red Cross Society at the instigation of CORSO. We were asked whether these instruments could be consigned to the Greek Red Cross, but we were unable to comply with this request as we must send supplies for which we accept responsibility direct to the UNRRA Mission in Greece. We told the New Zealand Commissioner of Supply that we would inform you of the wishes of the donors in this regard, so that, if at all possible, you would deliver them to the Greek Red Cross. They know, however, that the instruments will be used to the best advantage in providing relief where it is most needed, should you find it impracticable to have them forwarded to the Red Cross. The

Mr. Maben
Please sort
this one out -
We must.
(a) Ask Maben
if the material
can be given to
the Red Cross
(b) Tell clothing
(c) candles?

[Signature]

To: UNRRA Mission, Greece,
From: UNRRA, Sydney

29/12/45

following is the address given us for the instruments:-

Sydney Loch, Friends Relief Service,
C/- Greek Red Cross,
THESSALONIKA. GREECE.

In addition to the above-mentioned items, 1551 cases of candles purchased out of the New Zealand contribution to UNRRA are included in the shipment.

We are attaching a schedule showing details of the shipment together with the following packing sheets itemising the contents of the packages. There are no packing sheets covering the greasy wool.

G.5 and G.6	G.300
G.14	G.301
G.15	

We would be very pleased to hear of the safe arrival of the shipment in Greece.

Yours sincerely,

W. B. Sutch

(W. B. Sutch).

Deputy Director (Requirements and Supply)

For: Geoffrey C. Remington
Acting Director and Chief Administrative Officer

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UNRRA SUPPLIES DESTINED FOR G R E E C E
SHIPPED PER VESSEL "MARIE BAKKE" FROM
NEW ZEALAND TO A MIDDLE EAST PORT

COMMODITY	QUANTITY	GROSS WT. TONS	NETT WT. TONS	MEAS. TONS	BILL LADING	SOURCE
Clothing	2 cases }	10	$3\frac{1}{2}$	39	G.5	Clothing Collection
Clothing	170 cases }				G.6	Clothing Collection
Clothing	67 bales	16	$15\frac{3}{4}$	34	G.6	Clothing Collection
Candles	796 cases	25.3/10	$21\frac{1}{2}$	35	G.6	Purchased
Clothing	538 cases }	40.7/10	33	$164\frac{1}{2}$	G.14	Clothing Collection
Clothing	4 bales }				G.14	Clothing Collection
Candles	755 cases }	26	22	$36\frac{1}{2}$	G.15	Purchased
Medical Instruments	1 box }				G.15	Contributed
Greasy Wool	39 bales	6	6	19	G.22	Contributed
Clothing	182 cases }	$14\frac{1}{2}$	$13\frac{1}{2}$	$62.4/10$	G.300	Clothing Collection
Clothing	2 bales }					
Clothing	44 bales }	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$32\frac{1}{2}$	G.301	Clothing Collection
Bedding	3 bales }					
Material	1 bale }					
Clothing	7 cases }	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$			
Footwear	13 cases }					
Greasy Wool	2 bales	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	1	G.303	Contributed
TOTAL:	2626 packages	149	$125\frac{1}{2}$	$423.4/10$		

B/G
8 JAN 1946
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ΠΑΛΑΙΩΝ ΠΟΛΕΜΙΣΤΩΝ ΕΛΛΑΔΟΣ**

ΜΙΚΤΗ ΑΞΙΩΜΑΤΙΚΩΝ ΥΠΟΚΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΟΠΛΙΤΩΝ ΠΟΛΕΜΟΥ 1912-1923

ΓΡΑΦΕΙΑ: ΟΔΟΣ ΦΕΙΔΙΟΥ 11 - ΤΗΛ. 25-409

Αριθ. Πρωτ. 19.199.

Εν Αθήναις τῇ December 29th 1945

THE VETERAN SOLDIERS ORGANISATION
Athens Π ρ ὅ ς

TO
THE UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
Greece Mission. Headquarters. Athens.

Dear Sir,

The "Greek Ex-Service Men Legion in Australia" of Melbourne, in her last correspondence informed us that she has ready for shipment 1200 to 1500 small packets for our "Veteran Soldiers Organisation of Greece".-

The above packets are the result of their members' contribution in Australia intended for the relief of the warorphans and the families of the warvictims of our Organisation.-

The Melbourne authorities of the Australian Red Cross as well as the official representative of the U.N.R.R.A. in Australia, certified that the shipment of the above packets will only be possible after your approval and relative agreement.-

To that purpose we are asking you to help us in sending as soon as possible your telegraphic instructions to the U.N.R.R.A. representative in Melbourne, being sure that by your action you will have the full gratitude of all the members of our Association being in a desperate economical situation and looking forwards for the above kind gifts.-

The shipment will have to be made on the name of our President, Mr. Takis Chairopoulos, specially appointed as our official representative of our Organisation, in order to take charge of the fulfilment of any possible and eventual governmental formalities to be drawn.-

Trusting to have your prompt and kind consideration, we beg to remain, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

President
Takis Chairopoulos



General Secretary
Sotirios Kontos

S. Kontos



C O P Y

Procurement Coordinator
Col. Curtis

21 December, 1945

Proc. & Coord.

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Mr. Herbert H. Lehman
Director General, UNRRA
1344 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Governor Lehman:

Attached is a translation of a document received from the Minister of Foreign Affairs. It concerns the possibility of UNRRA using its good offices to facilitate the transfer of gifts from the Buenos Aires Greek colony to the Greek Government and to Greek relatives in Greece.

We have advised the Minister informally that it may be impossible for UNRRA to assist in this matter since Argentina is not a member of UNRRA, but have assured the Minister that the request will be forwarded to you to determine whether or not there is any action, either formal or informal, which UNRRA might take to facilitate transportation of these gifts to Greece.

Yours very truly

Buell F. Maben
Chief of Mission

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cc - London

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16/11

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION HEADQUARTERS
ATHENS

MESSAGE IN M 841

FROM SYDNEY 29.12

TO ATHENS 20

REPEATED



FORM O.M. 20

81

YOUR 44 CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES: WHEN GREEK AUSTRALIAN
LEAGUE REQUESTS ASSISTANCE SHIPMENT WE WILL BE GLAD
ARRANGE SHIPPING SPACE OR ALTERNATIVELY ACCEPT RELIEF
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION UNRRA ATHENS.

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DISTRIBUTION: SUP & DISTR ACTION ✓
CHIEF OF MISSION
COL. WHITE
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GREEK - AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE
2 MITROPOLIS STREET
ATHENS

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ΠΑΛΑΤΙΑ ΣΥΝΤΑΓΜΑΤΟΣ - ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΕΩΣ 2
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ

TEL. 32.003
THA 32.090
27.622

Athens, 26th December 1945

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Mr. B.V. Washburn
Acting Deputy Chief of Mission
SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION
UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION

Nº 569
Your Ref: SD/PC/6/A

Dear Sir,

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We thank you very much for your letter of the 17th inst.

In my quality of president, I have been authorized by the Board of Directors of the Greek - Australian League, as well as by all those who are expecting parcels from Australia, to express to you our heartiest and sincerest thanks for your willingness with which you were kind enough to accept our request of transport of the parcels sent from Australia to Greece.

The Greek-Australian League will accept with pleasure the distribution in Greece of the parcels. We have already taken energetically the matter in hand and have elaborated the adequate plan of distribution, in collaboration with various organizations in the provinces, so that the consignees receive their parcels on arrival immediately.

We shall sincerely appreciate any further information, concerning the shipment of the parcels (the name of the s/s, the date of arrival, the number of parcels etc.)

Thanking you again for your kind mediation, I remain,

Yours very truly

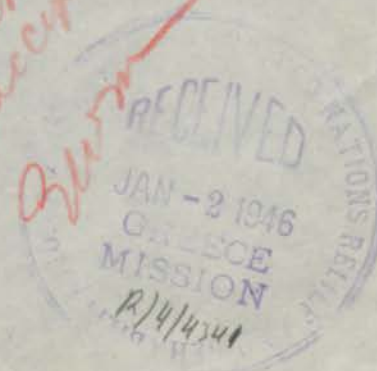
The President of the Greek-Australian League



Nicolas Theologos, D.L.
Lawyer

See Ref
p 13/1946
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Handwritten in red: "H.B. asking to accept" and "Greece Mission".



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31 December 1945.

file
Mr. S.Stambouljian, Bureau of Supply & Distribution.
Procurement & Coordination Division.

CONTRIBUTION FROM U.S. ARMENIANS

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After our conversation this morning I had a further check made of the files. I discovered that in August the Armenian General Benevolent Union in the U.S. signified they wished to ship 200 bales of used clothing for Armenian Refugees in Greece. The Most Reverend Archbishop Garabed Mazlumian was to act as agent for their receipt with the assistance of the Near East Foundation.

It is my understanding that these supplies were received some time ago.

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GREECE MISSION HEADQUARTERS
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MESSAGE OUT



FORM D.M. 20

TO	UNRRA	BALONIKA	UNRRA
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REUR ONEFIVETWOONE CLOTHING FROM ARMENIANS UNITED STATES
FOR DESTITUTE ARMENIAN REFUGEES GREECE IS A SPECIAL GIFT
AND ENTIRELY OUTSIDE OF UNRRA PROGRAM STOP CONSIGNMENT
APPROVED BY UNRRA WASHINGTON AND CENTRAL CLOTHING COMMITTEE
WITH UNDERSTANDING UNRRA ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR
ITS DISTRIBUTION STOP MEMORANDUM FOLLOWS

31/12

Signature

Approved by

Designation A.A. GALLO
Director, Clothing, Textile & Footwear Division

Designation G.F.H. STAYNER
Deputy Chief of Mission for Supp & Distr.

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T.O.D. 28/12

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BY FAST AIR

17 December 1945.

Brigadier T. Waddington,
Director, Middle East Office,
U.N.R.R.A. Headquarters,
C A I R O, Egypt.

Dear Sir,

The Armenian Red Cross of Cairo have advised this Mission of their desire to ship to Greece four bales of gift clothing and shoes for distribution to destitute Armenians in this country. The goods will be consigned to the Armenian Red Cross representative in Athens.

Will you please arrange for and in every way facilitate the shipment of this consignment to Greece. The address of the contributors is:

Roubine Chantehanian,
Armenian Red Cross,
Kantaret el Dekka No.4,
P.O.Box 868,
C A I R O, Egypt.

Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Buell F. Maben
Buell F. Maben,
Chief of Mission.

PROC. & COORD.
cc: Maben
Washburn
Proc. & Coord.
Miss Votey (Clothing)

See Pd/H to 85/1946

Maben

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION HEADQUARTERS
ATHENS

MESSAGE IN

FROM CYROS 19.12
TO ATHENS CYCIEL 14
REPEATED



WELFARE ON TRANSMISSION GREEK WAR RELIEF REFERENCE
THEIR SIGNAL STAVRIDIS FINLAYSON RECEIVED DECEMBER
17. INDIVIDUAL CLOTHING PARCELS RECEIVED DECEMBER
11TH FOR SYROS 52 ALL BUT 2 DISTRIBUTED, FOR NAXOS
35 BEING SHIPPED TODAY, FOR ANDROS DELAYED BECAUSE
NO AGRICULTURAL BANK BRANCH BUT WE HAVE NOW ARRANGED
DISTRIBUTION THROUGH NATIONAL BANK THERE AND WILL
BE SHIPPED FIRST OPPORTUNITY.

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DISTRIBUTION:

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COL. WHITE
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MESSAGE OUT



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PROCURE SUBJECT VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS STOP GREEK DASH AUSTRALIAN
LEAGUE ATHENS REQUESTS UNRRA ASSISTANCE SHIPMENT PARCELS
THAT ORGANIZATION AUSTRALIA TO GREECE STOP WE HAVE
ADVISED THEY CONTACT SYDNEY OFFICE STOP YOUR ASSISTANCE
ARRANGING SHIPPING APPRECIATED STOP

UNRRA

See p 82

19/12

Signature _____

Approved by _____

Designation G.F.H. STAYNER
DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION
SUPPLY & DISTRIBUTION

Designation DONALD P. HARRIS
CHIEF OF MISSION

DISTRIBUTION:

PROCUREMENT & COORDINATION

CHIEF OF MISSION
S & D
CLOTHING DIVISION
(Miss Votey)

T.O.O.
170900

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T.O.D. *17/12*

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SD/PC/6/A

17 December 1945.

Greek - Australian League,
18, ERMENAKI Street,
ATHENS.

Gentlemen :

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27 September with reference to the sending of relief parcels from Australia to Greece. We regret the delay in replying to your generous offer; through some error in transmission, your letter has just been received by this office.

UNRRA will be happy in every way to facilitate the shipment of these goods so urgently needed in Greece. We have cabled our office in Sydney requesting them to furnish shipping assistance. May we request that you advise your Australian office to get in touch with UNRRA, Sydney, in order to expedite arrangements. The parcels should be consigned to your Athens organization as agents.

Yours very truly,

PROC. & COORD.

cc: Maben
Washburn
Proc. & Coord.
Miss Votey

B.V. Washburn,
Acting Deputy Chief of Mission,
SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION.

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SD/PC/6/A

17 December 1945

Roubine Chantehanian,
Armenian Red Cross,
Kantaret el Dekka No.4,
P.O.Box 868,
CAIRO, Egypt.

Gentlemen :

The local representative of the Armenian Red Cross has called upon the Greek Mission, informing us of the generous intention of your Organization to forward four bales of gift clothing and shoes for distribution to destitute Armenians in Greece. We have requested the Cairo Office of UNRRA to assist you in every way in arranging shipment of this consignment. May we suggest, therefore, that you contact that office at once in order that early shipment may be effected.

Yours very truly,

PROC. & COORD.

cc: Maben
Washburn
Miss Votey
Proc. & Coord.

B. V. Washburn,
Acting Deputy Chief of Mission,
SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION.

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MESSAGE IN

R 1287

FROM SALONIKA 14/12
TO ATHENS 1448 EE
REPEATED

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FORM O.M. 26

REF EE 1363. WELFIELD. SUBJECT IS FOR SECOND BROS
PARCELS INTENDED TO BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH MILITARY.
ADVISE IMMEDIATELY WHETHER PARCELS BEEN SHIPPED TO SALONIKA.
ALSO WHETHER AGREED WITH ARMY ATHENS HQ TO DIVERT THEM
FOR SUPPLEMENTARY FEEDING PROGRAM.

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" , Transport Section, (2).

Managers Agric. Bank, Piraeus-Athen, (6).

F.L.P., (2).

D.S.I.D., (2).

Mr. T. Makrinicolas, (2).

O.C. 992 Port Operating Cby., R.E.

O.L.P., (11).

(1) Arrived in Port: 9th Oct. 1946, (09.00 hours).

(2) Notice of Readiness: -

(3) Port of Loading: CHIOS.

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SD/CTF/CV/110

13th December, 1945

United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration,
Middle East Office,
Cairo.

Subject: Shipment of gift clothing from
European Children's Relief Fund of
Australia

Dear Sirs,

The attached copy of a letter from UNRRA's Sydney office is self explanatory.

For your information, the 50 cases of children's used clothing has never been received here, although 22 of the 23 cases of military clothing (Air Force jackets) arrived on the "Sicilian Prince", 11th November.

The cases of clothing in question were numbered from No. 40 through 90. Will you please investigate and let us have any information you are able to uncover so that we may advise Sydney accordingly.

Yours truly,

Buell F. Maben
Chief of Mission

Distribution:

Chief of Mission
Brigadier Stayner
Miss Miller, Procurement & Co-ordination ✓

15/12
SW 15/12 ✓

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION HEADQUARTERS
ATHENS

MESSAGE IN

FROM

TO

REPEATED

FORM O.M. 26

SERVICE OF PARCELS OF WAR TROOP ATHENS.
PLEASE REFER TO OUR LETTER NO 2710 DATED 14 NOVEMBER.
NAME OF FATHER OF ATHANASIOS GEORGAS FROM BILANAKOY
RESIDENT OF PERSONAL PARCEL AS NO PERSONAL NAME
WITH FATHER'S NAME ATHANASIOS, BUT NO MORE FATHER'S
NAME IS KNOWN.

DATE OF RECEIPT.

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C. F. H. STAKER
DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION
SUPPLY & DISTRIBUTION

NAME: WILLIAM F. GALT
 CHIEF OF MISSION: TOO

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

SD/CTF/CV/107

Athens, 13 December 1945.

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To : Procurement & Coordination Division.
From : Miss Constance Votey, Clothing Section.
Subject: Gift Clothing from Armenian Red Cross - Egypt.

The local representative of the Armenian Red Cross today requested our assistance in calling forward from Cairo 4 bales of gift clothing and shoes, donated by that organization in Egypt to destitute Armenians in Greece.

Will you please arrange with the Middle East office for transshipment to Athens of this consignment. The address of the contributors is:

Houbine Ohantehanian, Armenian Red Cross
Kantaret el Dekka No.4
P.O. Box 868
Cairo, EGYPT.

*Letter sent
1) Cairo office
2) Am. Red Cross
12/12
Wotey
N.W.
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Athens, 13 December 1945.

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To : Procurement & Coordination Division.
From : Miss Constance Votey, Clothing Section.
Subject: Gift Clothing from Greek - Australian League.

The attached letter has only just turned up in this office.

Due to the world shortage of clothing, this office recommends that UNRRA undertake transportation of the clothing referred to.

Will you communicate with the local office of the Greek - Australian League, or would you prefer that we do so?

C. Votey

Original sent to
Sydney 15/12

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GREEK - AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE

SEAT IN ATHENS

18 EMM. BENAKI STREET, TEL. 27-647

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Εν Αθήναις τῇ 27th September 1945

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To-

His Excellency

The President of U. N. R. R. A.
to Greece

In City

Your Excellency,

We have the honour to inform Your Excellency, that according to many letters received from Australia, the private sending of parcels through the Australian Post, destined for Greece, has not yet been resumed on account of transport shortage.

As these parcels contain shoes, clothes and underwear for the most, and are of great relief for those in Greece to whom they are addressed, may we submit the request and suggestion that the competent service of U. N. R. R. A. undertakes, if possible, this transport?

We are, Your Excellency's most obedient servants

On behalf of the Central Administration

The President



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FROM SYDNEY 30/11
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FORM G.M. 26

REPEATED CAENOTA AS 17 CAIRO AS 31 LONDON AS 134
WASHINGTON AS 1022. HAVE SHIPPED PER MARIE BAKKE FROM
NEW ZEALAND TO MIDDLE EAST PORT DUE MIDDLE DECEMBER
FOLLOWING PACKAGES CONTRIBUTED AND PURCHASED COLON
CLOTHING 1016 FOOTWEAR 13 BEDDING 3 MATERIAL 1 CANDLE
1551 MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS 1 GREASY WOOL 41 DETAILS CONTENTS
AIRMAILED. PLEASE REQUEST CAENOTA ARRANGE TRANSHIPMENT TO
GREECE.

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Lundon - Is it now Sep, that Carleton supply all
refract. you ~~sup~~ 100 5 1-100

Marie Burke

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FROM SYDNEY

TO UNRRA ATHENS 16

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YOUR NINE REPEATED WASHINGTON 1440 ANSWER PARAGRAPH
THREE OF WASHINGTONS 947 TO YOU AND PLEASE INFORM
US (A) WHETHER YOU CAN ACCEPT CONTRIBUTED CLOTHING
FOR DISTRIBUTION THROUGH UNRRA ATHENS TO GREEK
WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION (B) WHETHER YOU CAN ACCEPT
CONTRIBUTED FOOD FOR SIMILAR DISTRIBUTION (C) WHETHER
YOU CAN ACCEPT CONTRIBUTED RELIEF SUPPLIES FOR
DISTRIBUTION BY YOU TO PARTICULAR AREAS THROUGH
AGENTS IF SUCH AGENTS ARE NOMINATED BY CONTRIBUTORS
HERE * REPEATED WASHINGTON AS 1045 *

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HAVE SHIPPED PER MEGNA FROM SYDNEY TO
MIDDLE EAST PORT DUE EARLY DECEMBER 41
CASES 508 BALES CLOTHING DETAILS CONTENTS
AIRMAILED. PLEASE REQUEST TRANSHIPMENT TO GREECE.
REPEATED CASERTA AS 14 LONDON AS 125 CAIRO AS
28 WASHINGTON AS 990

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FROM WASHINGTON

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TO ATHENS 1416

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7311 LONDON RE ATHENS 148 7 . REPEATED LONDON AS

1592, WE WILL NOTIFY JDC HERE, ERO REQUESTED

TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS EXPEDITE SHIPMENT

TO GREECE

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Joint Distribution Committee supplies

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21 November 1945

Ministry of Supply,
Athens.

Gentlemen,

CONTRIBUTED CLOTHING FROM CANADA

This Administration is happy to inform you that a greatly increased quantity of used clothing, collected by charitable, religious, social and other groups in the Dominion of Canada has been allocated for distribution in Greece. It was earlier anticipated that only 580,000 pounds would be available for this country. That figure has now been raised to 1,287,000 pounds, notice of which has already been given to the representatives of the Greek Government in Washington.

Yours very truly,

R. E. Lippincott
R.E. Lippincott,
Chief Liaison Officer.

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PROC.& COORD.

cc: Lippincott
Brig. Stayner
MABEN
PROC.& COORD.
Miss Votey (Clothing)

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WASHINGTON STOP NINESEVEN FIVE FIVE EIGHT
FROM SIDNEY TO WASHINGTON REFERRED CONSIGNMENT
TWO SIX TWO CAME LADING SHORE STOP REFERENCE
ALSO CAIRO TO WASHINGTON ONE TWO SIX EIGHT STOP

UNRRA

Signature B. F. H. STAYTON
Designation DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION
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Designation BUELL F. WASHEN
CHIEF OF MISSION

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FROM SYDNEY

TO ATHENS

REPEATED CASERTA 8

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FORM G.M. 28

HAVE CONSIGNED GREECE VIA MIDDLE EAST PORT 262 CASKS CONTAINING
11590 PAIRS LADIES SHOES. DETAILS CONTENTS AIRMAILED. PLEASE
REQUEST CASERTA ARRANGE TRANSHIPMENT.

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CLOTHING STOP DEEPLY GRATIFIED ~~IF~~ INTELLIGENCE OF
INCREASED CANADIAN ALLOCATION STOP WITH REGARD
DISTRIBUTION CMA ARRANGEMENTS WITH AUSTRALIAN AND
NEW ZEALAND RED CROSS WHEREBY ALL DONATED CLOTHING
PUT IN GENERAL POOL MOST SATISFACTORY STOP
OWING TO ACUTE CLOTHING SHORTAGE AND BECAUSE OF
EXTREMELY SATISFACTORY ORGANIZATION CENTRAL
CLOTHING COMMITTEE WITH MACHINERY CAPABLE OF HANDLING
STRONGLY RECOMMEND CANADIAN CONTRIBUTED CLOTHING BE
ALLOCATED GENERAL POOL STOP GRATEFUL FOR YOUR
EARLIEST ADVICE STOP

UNRRA

See PC/56 fo 246

Signature

Approved by

Designation BRIDG.F.H.STAYNER
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SD/PC/6/A

16 November 1945

His Excellency
Mr. E. Kypriades,
Minister of Supply,
ATHENS.

Your Excellency,

Reference is had to our letter SD/PC/6/A of 4th October, 1945, and to the Ministry's reply accepting the offer of a quantity of children's items, clothing and other commodities, by the Greek War Relief.

With regard to the distribution of the shoes and shoe repair thread included in the shipment, it was our understanding that these materials, unlike the individual clothing parcels, were a contribution to the pool of relief supplies for Greece. Since the Combined Clothing Committee programmes the distribution of the clothing and shoes donated by the Greek War Relief, it would seem desirable that the same method of distribution be observed for the shoes and shoe repair thread under reference.

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Respectfully,

R. E. Lippincott

R. E. Lippincott,
Chief Liaison Officer.

cc: Lippincott
Brig. Stayner
Maben
Proc. & Coord.
Miss Votey (Clothing)

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 8 OCTOBER 45

FROM: WASHINGTON

6 OCTOBER 45

TO: UNRRA ATHENS IO59

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THE CANADIAN ALLIED RELIEF BOARD AND UNRRA HAVE SPONSORED A NATIONAL CLOTHING COLLECTION WITH PARTICIPATION OF NATIONAL. EDUCATIONAL. LABOR. ¹⁴REGIOUS. SOCIAL AND OTHER GROUPS OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA. THE OBJECT OF THE CLOTHING COLLECTION IS TO COLLECT USED CLOTHING. FOR DISTRIBUTION IN LIBERATED AREAS. THIS CLOTHING IS BEING CONTRIBUTED BY THE PEOPLE OF CANADA WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION NO 2 OF UNRRA COUNCIL AND WITHOUT COST TO ULTIMATE RECIPIENT IN LIBERATED AREAS 2. AN INTERIM ALLOCATION FROM THE FIRST 5.880.000 POUNDS TO BE COLLECTED IS BEING MADE NOW. 580.000 POUNDS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FOR DISTRIBUTION IN GREECE 3. WE EXPECT THIS AMOUNT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT THE LAST WEEK IN OCTOBER 4. WE HAVE ADVISED WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GREEK GOVERNMENT OF THIS ALLOCATION 5. KINDLY ADVISE GREEK GOVERNMENT IN ATHENS

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NEW MSG. 1451. REFERENCE IS MADE TO MSG 558
TO WASHINGTON. PLS CLARIFY

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FROM WASHINGTON 15/11/45

TO ATHENS 1336

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CONTRIBUTED CLOTHING CANADA

1. CANADIAN CLOTHING EXCEEDS PREVIOUS ESTIMATE
2. REVISED GREEK ALLOCATION NOW 1.287.000 POUNDS
3. WE ADVISING WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES GREEK GOVERNMENT THIS ALLOCATION
4. INFORM GREEK GOVERNMENT IN GREECE.

See p 63, 66.

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FROM LONDON

TO ATHENS 1377

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REPEATED WASH 6356 REFERENCE YOUR 1592 ARRANGEMENTS
MADE FOR SHIPMENT STOP WILL EXPEDITE SOON AS
POSSIBLE BUT UNLIKELY BEFORE DECEMBER

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ONETHREEEERSEVEN NOTIFIES BIBLE LANDS MISSIONS AID
SOCIETY SENDING CLOTHING FOOD MEDICAL SUPPLIES TOOLS
AND TWO LARGE BLACK BOARDS FOR BREEDING PURPOSES TO
THESSALONIKI FARM AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUT STOP PLEASE
INFORM DIRECTOR CHARLES HOUSE UNRRA

Signature _____

Approved by _____

Designation **B. F. MABEN**
Chief of Mission

Designation **G.F.H. STAYNER**
Deputy Chief of Mission for S & D

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SHAPMENT SUPPLIES FROM BIRLE LANDS SOCIETY FOR THESSALONIA
PARK AND INDUSTRIAL INSECTUM ACCEPTABLE STOP BEFORE SHIPMENT
ONL BOARS MUST BE ASCERTAINED BRUCELOSIS FREE BY COMPLETELY
REPORT. COMPLETELY NEGATIVE BLOOD TEST STOP ALSO URGENT
VACCINATE AGAINST TWINE FEVER WITH CRYSTAL VIOLET VACCINE
STOP HANDLING POSSIBLE UNRAA

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Athens, 13th November, 1945.

To : Procurement & Coordination Div. (Att. Mrs. Miller)
From : Miss C. Votey, Clothing Section
Subject : Cable 1307 from London, 10/11/45

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Clothing donated from Bible Lands Missions
Aid Society will be welcomed. May we assume that
this offer is for the general relief pool for
Greece?

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C. Votey

check with Miss Votey
15/11 - same

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Athens, 12th November, 1945.

To : Procurement & Coordination Div. (Att: Mrs. Miller)
From : Miss C. Votey, Clothing Section
Subject: Greek War Relief gift of clothing and miscellaneous items.

We have noted Mr. Lippincott's memo of 5th November to your Division, quoting the Ministry of Supply as follows: "The shoes and repair thread will be issued in the same way as has been adopted for the operation of the distribution of the Clothing Parcels which have been also donated by the Greek War Relief".

We should like to comment on this as a distribution procedure. Our interpretation of the cabled offer from the GWRA was that these materials were a contribution to the pool of relief supplies for Greece, and would be distributed through channels already established for this purpose. The C.C.C. is continuing to programme the distribution of clothing and shoes donated by the GWRA, and it would seem only reasonable to expect that the shoes and shoe repair thread above referred to should be handled through the C.C.C. pool.

The individual clothing parcels now being brought in by the GWRA are not donated by GWRA, but are given by individuals to individuals. They are entirely outside the UNRRA sponsored relief programme, and for this reason their distribution is being handled through separate channels.

We would appreciate your calling these facts to the attention of the Ministry of Supply, suggesting to them that the C.C.C. is the logical organ for the

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Athens, 12th November, 1945.

To :

From :

Subject :

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distribution of these shoes and shoe repair thread.

C. C.

C.C.
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MESSAGE IN

FROM LONDON 10.11.45

TO ATHENS (1307)

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FORM G.M. 26

UNRRA ATHENS FOR HEAD OF GREEK MISSION. 1. BIBLE LANDS
MISSIONS AID SOCIETY WISH SEND CLOTHING FOOD MEDICAL
SUPPLIES TOOLS AND TWO LARGE BLACK BOARDS FOR BREEDING PURPOSES
TO THESSALONIKI FARM AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE DIRECTOR MR.
HOUSE.

2. PLEASE CONFIRM DESIRABILITY UNRRA ASSISTING IN DESPATCH
OF THESE STORES AND SAY WHETHER YOU PREPARED IF NECESSARY
TO HANDLE THEM ON ARRIVAL.

See p 57, 58, 59

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FROM CAIRO
TO UNRRA ATHENS 828
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FORM G.M. 28

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THESE ARTICLES TO GREECE UNRRA

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Procurement and Coordination

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

Athens, November 5, 1945

To : Procurement and Coordination
From : Office of Chief of Mission.
Subject : R. E. Lippincott

R E P

We have received the answer quoted below in response to your letter of 4 October, SD/PC/6/A:

"To R.E.Lippincott, Esq.
Chief Liaison Officer

To 35

In reply to your letter SD/PC/6/A of the 4 October, 1945, we wish to inform you that we accept with gratitude the offer of the Greek War Relief mentioned therein and we ask you to kindly transmit to them through UNRRA - Washington our very best thanks for same.

As regards the distribution of the children's items, baby bottles, baby foods, layettes and soap they will be allocated to the P.I.K.P.A. for distribution to the children and through the same Welfare Agency the candles will be issued to the Institutions. The shoes and shoe repair thread will be issued in the same way which has been adopted for the operation of the distribution of the Clothing Parcels which have been also donated by the Greek War Relief.

Yours faithfully

J. Paraskevopoulos

Minister of Supply".

*Signed and
forwarded for
b/h*

Will you please prepare the appropriate letter.

cc - Clothing
Food
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R.E.Lippincott

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
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Athens, 5 November 1945.

To : Bureau of Supply & Distribution : Attention - Clothing
Division.
From : Director of Welfare Division. Glen Leet. *h.L.*
Subject: Cable from Sydney of 30.10.45.

Attached cable from Sydney was sent to the Welfare Division for action. As this deals with a problem that we have mutually agreed is primarily a distribution one, we are referring it to you for action.

It would be appreciated if you would show us your proposed reply before it is sent out.

Encl.

*Glen
Distribution
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TELEGRAM

From : Sydney 30.10.45

To : Athens U/N

12 Washington 947 Athens repeated Sydney 628 requested Athens
advise Sydney policy contributed standard parcels clothing food
from New Zealand Australia to particular destinations.
Sydney Office Being urgently pressed by Greek community for
decision. Please tell us. Repeated Washington as 875.

Distribution:

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Welfare - Action
Clothing

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION HEADQUARTERS
ATHENS

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FROM SYDNEY 30.10.45
TO ATHENS U/N 12
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GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

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Athens, 1st November, 1945.

To : Col. Curtis, Procurement & Coordination Div.
From : Mr. A.A. Gallo, Clothing, Textile & Footwear Div.
Subject: Donated clothing - Special gift to Naxos from
South African Council for Voluntary Relief Abroad.

1. Reference attached letter from Chief of Mission, we call attention to a problem which will be encountered in fulfilling this commitment.
2. When this material arrives in Greece, unless the bill of lading clearly identifies it as consigned to Naxos, there will be no way to distinguish it from other South African shipments to our donated clothing pool.

A.A. Gallo *cl*

Distribution:
Bureau Relief Services
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15 october 1945

Miss Rita Jacobson
Secretary
Council for Voluntary Relief Abroad
Johannesburg, South Africa

Dear Miss Jacobson:

Ref. your MISC/GR.

With reference to your letter under date of September 24 in which you state your Council has an offer of a gift of clothing for distribution in specified villages in the Naxos Island of the Cyclades, please be advised that the population in the islands are badly in need of clothing and your gift will be gratefully received. If you can arrange to have the clothing sent to Greece we will assume responsibility for the distribution to the villages in question. If possible, to save transshipment, the clothing should be sent directly to Greece. If this cannot be arranged the UNRRA Cairo office will give any necessary assistance in arranging transshipment. Since clothing and footwear are in such short supply, please be assured that the gifts will be well received.

Sincerely yours,

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Euell P. Maben
Chief of Mission

CC: Clothing Division
S&D Bureau
MEO office
Region J
Bureau Relief Services

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Secretariat, His Majesty's
Buildings, (10th Floor)

Secretaria, ELOFF STREET,
JOHANNESBURG

September 24th, 1945.

Mr. Maben,
UNRRA Mission,
Athens,
Greece.

BY AIRMAIL.

Dear Sir:

This Council has had an offer of a gift of clothing for distribution in the villages Koumiarki, Appollona, Skashon and Koronos in the Naxos Island of Cyclades. As all clothing destined for UNRRA has been sent up to now to UNRRA, Cairo for distribution as they deem fit, I should be most grateful to hear from you whether UNRRA operates in this particular Greek Island, and whether it is within your province to distribute gifts of clothing to specified villages.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 25 OCTOBER 45

FROM: WASHINGTON

23 OCTOBER 45

TO: GIBRA ATHENS 1176

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CONTRIBUTED CLOTHING

1. MATERIAL SHIPPED

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2. DONOR RESPONSIBLE FOR LABELS ESTABLISHING IDENTITY
OF INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

3. HEADQUARTERS THOROUGHLY IN AGREEMENT UNDESIRABILITY OF
CHANGES IN DISTRIBUTION PROCEDURES FOR GOODS CONTRIBUTED
TO PEOPLE OF GREECE. HOWEVER, OUR POLICY TO REQUEST MISSIONS
PUBLICIZE IDENTITY OF DONOR VIA MEDIUM OF PRESS, RADIO ETC.
IN RECEIVING COUNTRY. DONATING AGENCIES THIS COUNTRY CONCERNED
IDENTITY THEIR CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES

DISTRIBUTION: CLOTHING DIV.
SUPS. & DISTA.
COL. WHITE
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CHIEF OF MISSION
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29 Oct. 1945
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TO: Col. D.S. Curtis.

FROM: E. Miller.

SUBJECT: Special Gifts - Reference Shipment of Parcels
from Corso, New Zealand.

Receipt of a letter of 16 October from the Greek Ministry of Supply accepting the offer of a quantity of clothing parcels for particular individuals from Corso, New Zealand, raises a serious distribution problem. When informing the Ministry of the offer, Mr. Lippincott stated that "the distribution will be under the same principal as adopted with the normal Greek War Relief supplies" and that UNRRA was "desirous of affording its facilities."

UNRRA has no facilities for the distribution of special gifts to individual consignees. The procedure developed by GWR presupposes uniform packaging, pre-shipment checking of addresses and a standard address form, and, most important, an established distribution procedure and an organization to effect the distribution. For its own shipments GWR negotiated the necessary agreements with the CG covering exemptions from duty, costs of internal distribution, etc., as well as arranging for receipt and warehousing of shipments. GWR has handled a few special shipments for other groups, and Mr. Stavrides has indicated that his organization will always be happy to advise other groups wishing to donate supplemental relief supplies, but he has informed us that GWR is unable to undertake such a project as distributing the Corso parcels. It would therefore seem to me that unless we are prepared to set up, within UNRRA, the mechanism for handling such shipments, we can only transmit to New Zealand the acceptance of the Ministry of Supply, informing them of the necessity of designating an agent for their receipt, warehousing and distribution.

This particular case calls attention to the whole problem of handling special relief parcels, which is made increasingly critical by the recent rapid multiplication of offers from voluntary groups. A review of the files shows that there is no uniformity as to what office handles such cases. The majority of the contributions are clothing. However, several cases have gone through the Mission that Miss Votey has never seen, or on which she has seen only a portion of the documents. Other cases have been handled by the Office of the Chief of Mission. The majority have, at some stage, made their way to Procurement & Coordination, but by no means all. It is necessary in the first instance, therefore, that a determination of the responsible office be made. In the second place, I have ascertained that not all offices to which such cases may be referred are informed as to policy determinations on special gifts. Washington's telegram No. 528 of 18 July is the principal document. It states (a) that UNRRA should welcome all additional supplies, encouraging particularly private groups to make contributions, (b) that such contributions should be shipped as filler cargo at shippers' expense, for distribution by Government or private agency, and (c) that UNRRA can accept no responsibility for distribution and hence

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need bear no onus for inequitable distribution arising from consignment of parcels to individually designated persons or areas. Clearly no direct UNRRA participation in the distribution of voluntary gifts is envisaged in this message. If we are to assume any responsibility for distribution, as obviously indicated in Mr. Lippincott's letter, then we must formulate the terms of such responsibility and set up the mechanism for discharging it.

I should like to recommend the following procedure for completing action on pending cases and for future offers of special gifts:

1. That the Procurement & Coordination Division, Bureau of Supplies, be designated the responsible office for action with reference to all voluntary group contributions of special relief shipments. ~~Greek~~ contributions should be considered in their relation to total supply, and the obtaining of Greek Ministry of Supply acceptance logically devolves upon that office. Procurement & Coordination Division is in the best position to ascertain from Commodity Divisions and the Supply Divisions of other Bureaux whether any given offer presents particular distribution problems and whether it modifies any UNRRA supply programme. There have been instances where the Chief of Mission's office has "accepted" shipments, offering UNRRA assistance on distribution, when such assistance could not, in fact, be provided. Mr. Lippincott has informed me that he has no desire to act on such cases, that we should be considered merely as available to furnish any special assistance that may be needed. Somewhat varying procedures should be followed for different categories of goods.
 - a) Clothing, Footwear & Textiles This category of goods constitutes the major part of all special gift shipments. I recommend that all letters or telegrams making offers of clothing gifts be referred in the first instance to Miss Votey of Clothing & Textiles. She is intimately familiar, not only with UNRRA's donated clothing program but with the GWR and other voluntary society operations. Mr. Leet has agreed that such gifts "belong" to the Bureau of Supply rather than to Welfare. Miss Votey would prepare a memorandum for Procurement & Coordination presenting any special distribution or other problems. Procurement & Coordination would then proceed to take appropriate external action, notifying Miss Votey, so that she may either follow the subsequent course of an approved case or note any rejections.
 - b) Health & Medical Supplies All offers of such materials should be referred in the first instance to Procurement & Coordination. The Health Division should be consulted as to whether a given shipment represents equipment or supplies solicited from a voluntary agency to fulfil requirements which UNRRA cannot program, or unsolicited material. Procurement & Coordination will take appropriate external action and arrange with Health for receipt and distribution.
 - c) Welfare Supplies The same procedure should be followed as with Health and Medical Supplies. ~~certain~~

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types of material unprogrammed by UNRRA ~~that~~ are regularly distributed by Welfare for their scheduled operations, it can be anticipated that they will have advance knowledge of the majority of voluntary/group shipments. Welfare should be requested to notify Procurement & Coordination of negotiations for obtaining such supplies.

- d) Miscellaneous or Mixed Shipments All offers should be referred to Procurement and Coordination for determination of appropriate action, on consultation, as indicated by nature of shipment, with the interested Bureau or Division. In this connection I should like to query the grounds for the decision that the Near East Foundation might send clothing to its personnel in Greece, but not "household articles for private citizens until commercial shipping resumes" (Athens 961 to Washington, 6/9/1945.)
2. That the shipment and distribution of special gifts be made in the following manner: In all cases goods will move as filler cargo, at shipper's expense unless, on UNRRA's determination, special shipping facilities should be extended.
- a) Bulk Shipments If offered for inclusion in a commodity supply pool, to be consigned to, received, warehoused and distributed by UNRRA Greece Mission. If offered to a particular Greek area or organization, to be consigned to, received, warehoused and distributed by some person or persons designated by shipper without cost to or responsibility by the Mission other than such extension of assistance or facilities as may be easily accorded. Such shipments must be clearly identified as voluntary group and not UNRRA supplies.
- b) Individual parcels to ~~either~~ ^{either} unspecified or particular persons and/or areas, to be consigned to, received, warehoused and distributed by some person or persons designated by shipper without cost to or responsibility by the Mission other than such extension of assistance or facilities as may be easily accorded. Such shipments must be clearly identified as voluntary group and not UNRRA supplies.

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The above procedures clearly do not resolve the problem of the Corso, New Zealand, parcels stated to be for particular persons and areas. Similar offers are pending of shipments from Melbourne and Johannesburg and for Naxos. It must first be determined whether, in the light of the UNRRA policy, to encourage voluntary group contributions to Greece, it is desirable or possible for the Mission to undertake responsibility for distribution, while carefully preserving the voluntary group identity of such supplies. Such responsibility would involve receipt and warehousing of shipments, negotiations with the Ministry of Finance for costs of transportation or utilization of UNRRA transport, arrangement for local distribution. Such an operation would necessitate obtaining the cooperation of Mr. Wild and the designation of personnel. I am informed that the GWR found the preliminary arrangements for their shipments rather long drawn out. It certainly seems desirable that, before embarking on such a project, we should enquire of the New Zealand Government whether they can designate an agent for the Corso parcels.

6/A Procurement and
Coordination

23 October, 1945

Mr. J. D. Brown

R.E.Lippincott

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With reference to the attached copy of letter received from the Minister of Supply regarding the New Zealand parcels, will you please handle.

The original letter was written to the Ministry of Supply by our Procurement Division, SD/PC/6/A, 2nd October.

R.E.Lippincott

Procurement and Coordination
cc - Clothing Division

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(COPY)

Athens, the 16th October, 1945

Tel. 30615

KINGDOM OF GREECE

Ministry of Supply

Liaison Bureau

General Direction of Rationing and
Distribution - Distribution Division
Section III

Ref. No. 52394/820

To: R.E. Lippincott, Esq.,
Chief Liaison Officer
UNRRA - Greece Mission
Athens

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter SD/PG/6/A of the 2nd October, 1945, we would like to inform you that we accept with gratitude the contribution of the New Zealand Government, as well as the offer of your facilities for the distribution of the parcels in question. The distribution of the New Zealand parcels will be operated by the same procedure followed in the delivery of the Greek War Relief supplies.

Yours faithfully

J. Paraskevopoulos

Minister of Supply

Certified true translation:
A. Constantinidis
Liaison Officer

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
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Athens, 22nd October, 1945.

To : Procurement & Coordination Div. (Att: Mrs Russell)
From : Miss C. Votey, Clothing Section. *C. Votey*
Subject: Cable 605 from Sydney - Corso Clothing Contribution.

I should like to call attention to the fact that UNRRA has no facilities for administratively handling distribution of parcels addressed to particular persons in Greece.

UNRRA assistance to the Greek War Relief Association in expediting delivery of such parcels is possible because the Greek War Relief Association has an organisation within Greece which takes care of all necessary details.

If approval is granted for the Corso programme of specially designated clothing parcels, this Division would like to be informed as to ~~whom~~ will take similar responsibility for them in Greece.

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MESSAGE OUT 11/10/45

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WITHOUT RADICAL CHANGES IN DISTRIBUTION PROCEDURES WHICH
CONSIDER MOST UNDESIRABLE IT WILL ~~NOT BE POSSIBLE~~ TO MAINTAIN
IDENTITY OF THE DONOR FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR
ITEMS UNRA

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 28 SEPTEMBER 45

FROM: WASHINGTON

27 SEPTEMBER 45

TO: UNRRA ATHENS 992

1. GREEK WAR RELIEF RECEIVING MANY REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS ANXIOUS TO DONATE WHEEL CHAIRS OR SIMILAR EQUIPMENT TO RELATIVES WHO ARE WAR VICTIMS. UNRRA HEADQUARTERS DOES NOT ACCEPT INDIVIDUALLY CONSIGNED GIFTS.
2. IN VIEW OF THE URGENT NEED FOR THESE SUPPLIES PLEASE INVESTIGATE FEASIBILITY OF DISTRIBUTION BY GREEK WAR RELIEF. CONTACT GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES AND CABLE HEADQUARTERS REACTION.
3. HEADQUARTERS WITH GREEK WAR RELIEF WILL CONSIDER SHIPMENT OF INDIVIDUAL WHEEL CHAIRS IN LOTS OF 100 OR 50. WOULD LIMITATION OF AREA FOR GIFTS TO ATHENS OR 25 MILES RADIUS AID IN POSSIBILITY OF PROGRAM.

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COL. WHITE.

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226 by Health Div.
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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
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Athens, 8 October 1945.

To : Procurement & Coordination
From : Mr. A. A. Gallo, Clothing Textile & Footwear Division
Subject : Cable 984 re Contributed Supplies from GWRA. *ad gallo*

1. Confirming our verbal comments on the above cable, the footwear and shoe repair materials are urgently needed.
2. The four cases of hats are likely to remain undistributed along with 21 cases, already on hand, which have remained in warehouse for many months.
3. Without radical changes in distribution procedures, it will not be possible to maintain identity of the donor.

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 2/10/45

FROM : WASHINGTON

1/10/45

TO : UNRRA ATHENS 1018

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CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES : OUR 947 REGARDING SYDNEY AND CORSO
NEW ZEALAND INQUIRY STANDARD PARCELS UNRRA DISTRIBUTION
IN GREECE WE CORRECT PARAGRAPH 2 WHICH READ QUOTE IF MISSION
CAN HANDLE UNQUOTE AND RECOGNIZE THAT THIS GOVERNMENT
RESPONSIBILITY .

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
REGION A.

*M. Washburn
cc Health*

Mr. ST LOUIS/A
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Athens, October 4, 1945

To: B. F. Maben
Chief of Mission Att: B. V. Washburn

From: W. E. Ballance
Regional Director

Subject: Receipt and Dispatch of Greek Red Cross Supplies

There are attached copies of correspondence which we have received from Mr. Zannas, President of the Greek Red Cross, concerning the receipt and dispatch of Greek Red Cross supplies. These copies are furnished for your information.

BALLANCE/DM

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Copy to: Clothing Div
8/10/45

CROIX ROUGE HELLENIQUE

Rue Solondos 39

Athènes September 27th, 1945

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Mr. W. E. Ballance
Region A Director, UNRRA
New Angleterre Hotel
E. V.

Dear Sir,

Will you please give instructions to have the goods which were shipped to the Greek Red Cross by the Canadian Red Cross and which are held in various warehouses here delivered to the Greek Red Cross Warehouse, 81 Piraeus Street, Athens. A list of the goods so held in the Warehouses is listed below.

1. 508 Drums of Chloride of Lime and 2 cases of Pillow slips shipped on the s/s "AKKA" sailing from Canada June 20, 1945. It is believed that the Chloride of Lime is in the Hymittos Warehouse and the Pillow slips in the District II Warehouse.
2. 33 cases of Medical Supplies and 416 Drums of Cod Liver Oil shipped on the s/s "TAMARA" sailing from Canada July 3, 1945. It is believed that the 33 cases of Medical Supplies are in the Palamidion St. Warehouse and exact information has not been obtained as to the Warehouse storing of the Cod Liver Oil, possibly Kokkinia or Aperghi.
3. 48 cases of Medical Supplies shipped on the s/s "VIRGINIA" sailing from Canada July 12, 1945. It is believed that these cases are in the Aperghi Warehouse.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Alex. Zannas

A. ZANNAS
President G. R. C.

FH/PD

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CROIX ROUGE HELLENIQUE

Rue Solonos 39

Athènes September 27th, 1945

Mr. W. E. Ballance
Region A, Director, UNRRA
New Angleterre Hotel
E.V.

Dear Sir,

We have been informed of the conversation held between Mr. Hurd, Field Representative of the American Red Cross, and Mr. Ruth, Director of Warehousing, Region A, on September 20, 1945. It is stated that Mr. Ruth wished that all supplies consigned to the Greek Red Cross be received from the ships by the Agricultural Bank. Mr. Ruth stated that the Bank would be responsible for such goods at the docks and would deliver same from the dockside direct to the Warehouse designated by the Greek Red Cross. Mr. Ruth stated that it would be helpful to the total picture of deliveries if we would agree to such a plan.

Therefore in agreement with this plan the Greek Red Cross requests that all goods consigned to it, be delivered direct to the Greek Red Cross Warehouse, 81 Piraeus St., Athens, Telephone 52-200. Mr. Christides is the Warehouse Manager.

We point out that goods shipped to the Greek Red Cross are not to be pooled with other relief supplies arriving in Greece. Will you be kind enough to point out this fact to all officials concerned.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ Alex. Zannas

A. ZANNAS
President G.R.C.

FH/PD

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Our Ref. SD/PC/6/A

4 October 1945

Ministry of Supply,
Athens.

Gentlemen,

The UNRRA Greece Mission has been notified by Washington that the Greek War Relief are offering the following articles for contribution to Greece:

Shoes	.....	41,000 men's) women's) children's)
Shoe repair thread	.....	eight cartons
Crutches	.....	one case
Candles	.....	one case
Lenses	.....	one case
Eyeglasses	.....	one case
Soap	.....	one case
Baby bottles	.....	one case
Baby foods	.....	two cases
Hats	.....	four cases
Layettees	.....	39 bales
Clothing	.....	53,000 pounds) men's) women's) children's)

It is desired by Washington that the identity of the Greek War Relief as donor is recognized.

Will you please state whether these items are acceptable and will you please inform this Mission if it will be possible to meet the suggested terms for distribution.

Very truly yours,

PROC. & COORD.

cc: Washburn
Lippincott
Gallo
Food
Welfare

R.E. Lippincott,
Chief Liaison Officer.

See p 51

*Procurement and
Coordination*

Our Ref. SD/PC/ 6/A

2 October 1945.

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Ministry of Supply,
ATHENS.

Gentlemen,

The Government of New Zealand are most anxious to contribute standard parcels to UNRRA for distribution to particular persons or villages in Greece.

This Mission is most desirous of affording its facilities to this additional contribution to Greek Welfare.

Will you please state whether you are in agreement with this acceptance and that the distribution will be under the same principal as adopted with the normal Greek War Relief supplies.

Very truly Yours,

R. E. L.

R. E. Lippincott,
Chief Liaison Officer.

cc: B.V. Washburn.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 4/10/45

FROM: UNRRA LONDON 3/10/45
TO: UNRRA ATHENS 944
RPTD: UNRRA CASERTA 492
UNRRA WASHINGTON 4496

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ANCROSS PARCELS FOR GREECE SS SAGOLAND SAILED FROM ~~GO~~
GOTHENBURG 28TH SEPTEMBER ARRIVING PIRAEUS ABOUT 19th
OCTOBER.

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Distribution: Welfare - Action *MA 4/10*
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Sup & Distr
Fin & Admin
Ch. Mission
Col. White

H.K.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 2/10/45

FROM : WASHINGTON

1/10/45

TO : UNRRA ATHENS 1018

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CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES : OUR 947 REGARDING SYDNEY AND CORSO
NEW ZEALAND INQUIRY STANDARD PARCELS UNRRA DISTRIBUTION
IN GREECE WE CORRECT PARAGRAPH 2 WHICH READ QUOTE IF MISSION
CAN HANDLE UNQUOTE AND RECOGNIZE THAT THIS GOVERNMENT
RESPONSIBILITY .

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M 2/10

DISTRIBUTION.

S & D ACTION

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COL. WHITE

CLOTHING

F & A

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A. Lewis

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

(31)

Ref: SD/HB/BW/337

Athens, 29 September 1945

To : Mr. George St. Louis, Procurement & Coordination Division

From : Office of Deputy Chief of Mission for Supply and Distribution.

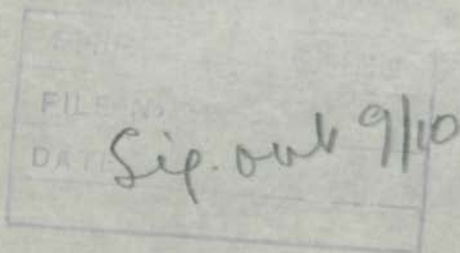
Subject : Contributed Supplies

7023 7027
There is attached your memorandum of 22 September together with Signal 947 from Washington referring to Signal 605 from Sydney. There is also attached Cable 984 from Washington regarding additional contributed supplies from the Greek War Relief Association.

The first Signal was discussed briefly at a Staff Meeting and I believe that in view of our past experience in connection with contributed supplies, that it must be taken that the general policy is that the Mission will accept such supplies.

Also the general subject was discussed informally with the present Minister of Supply a couple of weeks ago and it may be taken as affirmed that the Greek Government is desirous of accepting all such contributions. In the current instances I believe that routine acceptance should be obtained from the Ministry of Supply and signals sent to Washington and Sydney stating that these supplies are acceptable to us.

Will you accept responsibility for obtaining Ministry of Supply acceptance and so inform the above addressees.



B. V. Washburn
B. V. Washburn
Acting Deputy Chief of Mission
for
Supply and Distribution

Attachment

2 letters to him A Sup.
him R. L. M

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

31A

Athens, 22 September 1945.

To : George White, ✓
Senior Deputy Chief of Mission. *WHL*
From : George St. Louis, Chief Procurement & Coordination Div.
Subject :

Reference is had to the matter discussed in the attachment, copy of which has presumably come to your desk via routine distribution. As I recall, this general subject was broached to the Greek Government via the Expert Party on Import Requirements some time ago and UNRRA Headquarters stipulated several conditions which were to be agreed to by the G.G. before UNRRA H.Q. would consent to involvement. Did you ever receive the G.G.'s formal acceptance of the said conditions? If not, perhaps we should re-open the subject at the next meeting of the E.W.P.I.R. - which, I trust, will be soon.

ENC.

cc: B.V. Washburn.

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 21 September 1945

20 September 1945

FROM: UNRRA WASHINGTON
TO: " ATHENS 947 -
REPT: " SYDNEY 628

1. 605 FROM SYDNEY

" CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES : CORSO. NEW ZEALAND ASK AUTHORITY
CONTRIBUTE STANDARD PARCELS UNRRA DISTRIBUTION PARTICULAR
PERSON OR VILLAGE IN GREECE. WE NOTE FROM WELFARE DIVISION
BULLETIN VOLUME I NUMBER 6 JULY 1945 PAGE 6 THAT ARRANGEMENTS
ALREADY MADE BETWEEN UNRRA AND GREEK WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION
FOR THE ACTIVITY. REQUEST YOU AUTHORIZE US RECEIVE SIMILAR
CONTRIBUTION NEW ZEALAND. AUSTRALIA FOR GREECE".

2. IF MISSION CAN HANDLE INCREASED DISTRIBUTION PLEASE
ADVISE SYDNEY REPEATING TO WASHINGTON.

3. PLEASE INFORM SYDNEY PRESENT GREEK WAR RELIEF PACKAGE
PROGRAM CLOTHING ONLY. IF DISTRIBUTION FOOD PACKAGES POSSIBLE
AS WELL AS CLOTHING ADVISE SYDNEY ALSO HEADQUARTERS.
ADVISE URGENT.

DISTRIBUTION: PROC & COORD

CHIEF OF MISSION

COL WHITE

SUPP & DIST - ACTION

CLOTHING DIV

FOOD DIV

FIN & ADM

See p 48, 49

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 26/9/45

25/9/45

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FROM : WASHINGTON

TO : UNRRA ATHENS 984

1. CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES . GREEK WAR RELIEF OFFERING CONTRIBUTION APPROXIMATELY 41.000 MENS . WOMENS . AND CHILDRENS NEW AND USED SHOES . 8 CARTONS SHOE REPAIR THREADS . ONE CASE EACH CRUTCHES STOP CANDLES . LENSES AND EYEGASSES . SOAP . BABY BOTTLES 2 CASES BABY FOODS . 4 CASES HATS . 39 BALES LAYETTES . 53.000 POUNDS MENS . WOMENS AND CHILDRENS USED CLOTHING . ON RECEIPT OF GOODS MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO MAINTAIN IDENTITY OF GREEK WAR RELIEF AS DONOR .
2. KINDLY CONTACT GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES AND WIRE ACCEPTANCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE .

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION

HEADQUARTERS

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Athens, 26 September 1945.

To : Mr. B. Washburn - Supplies & Distribution.
From : Director of Welfare Division. GLEN LEET
Subject : Telegram No.947 from Washington to Athens of 20 Sept.
Contributed Supplies

Re cable from Sydney No.605.

I assume that there is nothing that Welfare Division can do except to offer you sympathy.

If at any time you wish to have a conference on the whole subject of such contributed supplies, I would be glad to participate.

cc Miss Votey, Clothing Division

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 26/9/45

25/9/45

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FROM : WASHINGTON

TO : UNRRA ATHENS 977

CONTRIBUTED SUPPLIES . GREEK WAR RELIEF CONTRIBUTING SIXTH
CARLOAD OF CONCENTRATED CHOCOLATE MILK DRINK FOR FREE DISTRIBUTI
TO CHILDREN OF GREECE . CONTRIBUTION SCHEDULED FOR IMMEDIATE
SHIPMENT .

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DISTRIBUTION.

SHIPPING

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COL. WHITE

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 21 SEPTEMBER 45

FROM : WASHINGTON 18 SEPT. 45

TO: UNRRA ATHENS 933
7025

1. YOUR 961 RECEIVED . NEAR EAST SUPPLIES WENT VIA
GRIPSHOLM WITH KENT NEAR EAST REPRESENTATIVE.
2. WE CONCUR YOUR VIEWPOINT

DISTRIBUTION: FIN. & ADMIN.
SUPS & DISTN. CH. OF MISSION
COL. WHITE PROC. & COORD. ~~TRAFFIC~~
SHIPPING TRAFFIC.

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MESSAGE OUT

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TO : WASHINGTON 96I

6/9/45

FROM ATHENS SENT WASHINGTON NINESIXONE STOP REOUR SEVENSIX
NINE IN VIEW PREVIOUS POLICY AS ESTABLISHED IN CONNECTION
WITH GREEK WAR RELIEF PACKAGES AND KOZANI SOCIETY BELIEVE
WE SHOULD ADMIT CLOTHING FOR NEF LOCAL PERSONNEL STOP
DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD ACCEPT HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES PRIVATE
CITIZENS UNTIL COMMERCIAL SHIPPING RESUMES UNRRA

Dsitribution : F & A

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CHIEF OF MISSION

COL. WHITE

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22 September 1945.

George White,
Senior Deputy Chief of Mission.
George St. Louis, Chief Procurement & Coordination Div.

To 23

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cc: B.V. Washburn.

[Signature]

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 21 SEPT. 45

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FROM: WASHINGTON 20 SEPT. 45
TO: UNRRA ATHENS 947
RPTD: SYDNEY 628

I. 605 FROM SYDNEY
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PARTICULAR PERSON OR VILLAGE IN GREECE. WE NOTE FROM
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REQUEST YOU AUTHORIZE US RECEIVE SIMILAR CONTRIBUTION NEW
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CLOTHING ONLY. IF DISTRIBUTION FOOD PACKAGES POSSIBLE
AS WELL AS CLOTHING ADVISE SYDNEY ALSO HEADQUARTERS.
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DISTRIBUTION: ~~PROC. & COORD.~~ CHIEF OF MISSION
COL. WHITE SUPS & DISTN. - Action
CLOTHING, FOOD DIVISION
FIN. & ADMIN.

TT.

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Letter to Ministry 3/10

Room 38 *so/w/o/vs* *19*
UNITED NATIONS RELIEF & REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
GREECE MISSION
HEADQUARTERS

Barr *Washington* *2 yrs 11 mos*
Athens, 27th July 1945

To : Mr. Brown, Special Assistant to Deputy Chief of
From : Mission, Voluntary Society.
Glen Leet, Director Welfare Division.
Subject : American O.R.T. Federation

Some time ago the attached letter from the American O.R.T. Federation was referred to this Division. Through the American Joint Distribution Committee the information requested was gathered. In the meantime we have discovered that a cable was received from Washington requesting an answer to the letter immediately.

This cable was referred to the Division of Procurement and Coordination. On the basis of the material which we gathered a suggested ^{cable} has been prepared as well as a suggested letter to follow the cable. Because this matter concerns the activities of a voluntary agency in Greece we are referring it to you to take whatever action you deem desirable. Attached is the following material: Letter of May 28th from UNRRA Washington, letter of July the 16th from the American Joint Distribution Committee, copy of cable 487 from Washington, copy of cable 631 to Washington, suggested reply to cable 487, suggested follow up letter. If you desire any additional material from us let us know.

Glen Leet
Glen Leet
Director Welfare Division *X*

cc D. Davis

Draft Cable Out :

14.8.45.

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Distribution: Proc. & Coord.

G. Leet

Sups. & Distr.

Fin. & Admins.

Chief of Mission

Services

Washington Confirmation

London Information

TO: 806 UNRRA WASHINGTON

REUR 487 ESTIMATE EIGHT THREE ZERO ZERO JEWS IN GREECE

FIVE THREE FIVE ZERO IN ATHENS AND SALONICA REMAINDER

IN ONE SIX OTHER CENTRES stop ONE ZERO ZERO TOOL MAKERS and

ONE ZERO ZERO DRESSMAKERS and FIVE ZERO TAILORS and

FIVE ZERO CARPENTERS and ONE ZERO ZERO DOCTORS AND DENTISTS and

TWO FIVE AGRICULTURALISTS and FIVE ZERO SHOEMAKERS stop ALL NEEDING

TOOLS OF THEIR TRADE WITH EXCEPTION SEWING MACHINES stop

ADDITIONAL LIST OF TRADESMEN WITH OUTLINE OF NEEDS FOLLOWS BY

LETTER stop CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ORT WELCOME stop

Proc. & Coord. (Originator)

/SK/14/8/45/

Approved :

B.V. Washburn

DISTRIBUTION : Coord. & Proc.

G. Leet.

Received 19 July 1945

THE AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE
c/o American Embassy, Athens

16th July, 1945.

To: Mr. Buell Maben, Chief of Mission UNRRA Greece, Athens.

From: Israel G. Jacobson.

Subject: Your letter May 28th, 1945 regarding ORT. handed to us at the end of June.

Attention Mr. John Dula

Gentlemen,

The following are the answers to the questions asked in the letter attached:

Q.1. How many Jews are living in Greece? Estimate.

A. The number of Jews living in Greece is between 8,200 and 8,500.

Q.2. Where are they grouped?

Q.3. How many are there in these groups?

A.	Athens	...	4,100	persons
	Salonica	...	1,250	
	Patras	...	150	
	Volos	...	600	
	Larissa	...	744	
	Tricala-			
	Carditsa	...	335	
	Halkis	...	175	
	Varria	...	118	
	Cavalla	...	87	
	Kerkyra	...	95	
	Florina	...	70	
	Zante	...	174	
	Agrinion	...	38	
	Yanina	...	46	
	Katerini	...	28	
	Arta	...	34	
	Prevesa	...	14	
	Castoria	...	70	(we have no list of persons in Castoria - this figure is an estimate)
	Other communities .		20 or 25 persons.	

Note: There are in addition fifty persons who have returned from Germany concentration camps who are not included in the above list.

Q.4. Can you give an estimate of how many are carpenters, tailors, agriculturists, etc?

A. Tailors ... 50. ✓ Needing sewing machines, scissors, cotton, irons, etc.

THE AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

- 2 -

To: Mr. Buel Mabon Chief of Mission UNRRA Greece.

From :

Subject:

Agriculturists	...	25.	needing ploughs and agricultural tools of all discriptions.
Carpenters	...	50.	In need of all carpentry tools.
Shoe-makers	...	50	shoe lasts, knives, needles, sewing machines etc.
Tool makers	...	100	tool makers equipment.
Tinsmiths	...	50	tinsmiths equipment.
Glaziers	...	50	Glaziers equipment and tools.
Dressmakers	...	100	sewing machines, scissors, cotton irons, etc.
Commission Agents	...	150	typewriters
Plumbers	...	50	Plumbing tools and equipment.
Electricians	...	25	Electrical equipment and tools.
Doctors	...	50	Instruments, and surgery equipment.
Dentists	...	50	Instruments and surgery equipment

Co-operative of agriculturists composed of fifty persons - requiring all farm implements and tools.

The above answers questions 4, 5, and 6. All these people lost their tools and equipment during the German occupation and cannot become economically productive again until they are re-equipped.

This information was given us by the Central Board of Greek Jewish Communities.

With many thanks for your co-operation and kind regards.

Israel G. Jacobson

Israel G. Jacobson
for the American Joint
Distribution Committee

Enclos:

*Leah- will you get the
info. from Jacobson
please? - why?*

2 JUN 1945

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UNITED NATIONS
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

1344 CONNECTICUT AVENUE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mr. Eden Reet

28 MAY 1945

*Can we give the
requested information?*
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Mr. Buell Maben
Chief of Mission
UNRRA
c/o American Embassy
Athens, Greece

Dear Mr. Maben:

Our office has known of several instances in which voluntary agencies have sought direction on what types of contributions would be most useful; this, either as a result of short procurement possibilities or because the agency has circumscribed funds. With this in view, we have talked to several agencies, one of which is interested in providing relief and rehabilitation to Greece along the line of tools, sewing machines, and strictly industrial and/or agricultural rehabilitation. This particular organization, the American ORT Federation, is an agency with excellent reputation for fair and honest dealing, has been in its particular field for many years and has merited the confidence of many of the governments in Europe, in whose countries they have carried on their programs.

In discussing with the Director of ORT, Mr. David Lvovitch, the possibility of expanding its program to include Greece, we brought his attention to the great number of Sephardic Jews who had lived in Salonika and that part of the country. Mr. Lvovitch assures us that his organization is interested in the possibility of a program for Salonika and Greece. The ORT Federation is supported by funds contributed mainly by Jewish peoples. Its work, in the main, has been with Jewish people. However, the ORT Federation, in sending a shipment of tools to Poland recently, did not place upon its gift the condition of distribution to Jews. The Government of that area volunteered first line distribution to the needy Jews. We believe the ORT would respond similarly to a program in Greece.

Mr. Lvovitch, in our last conversation with him, discussed the possibility of a contribution of approximately 50-100 sewing machines (tailors') and a small number of tons of other tools. The sewing machines would be reconditioned ones, not new ones. The tools would be of a high grade steel and probably will have been manufactured by the ORT Canadian School and/or by Canadian firms. In order to protect themselves against a possible shortage on a previous contribution because of shipment dates, I understand the ORT put in a substantial order for manufactured tools and these will become available shortly.

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Naturally, the ORT Federation, as well as our office, is interested in the following questions:

1. How many Jews are living in Greece? Estimate.
2. Where are they grouped?
3. How many are there in these groups?
4. Can you give an estimate of how many are carpenters, tailors, agriculturists, etc? *1000-1500* *page 3* *from 2*
5. What kinds of tools are they accustomed to using?
6. What kind of tools and what quantities are they most in need of?

Any information you can give us will help in directing the ORT Federation and other groups in contributing badly needed supplies and relief to Greece.

Sincerely yours,

FOR THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

Karl Borders

Karl Borders
Deputy Chief
Bureau of Supply

VIA AIRMAIL

487 from Wash 12 July

*Please reply our letter Dated 28 May
re claim of ORT Federation to contribute fund
4100 tools tailors sewing machines to Greece
1250 and helping questions of need at cetera
5350 program cannot be started until you reply
Lehman*

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

27 AUGUST 45

24 AUGUST 45

FROM:

WASHINGTON

TO:

UNRRA ATHENS

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ARMENIAN GENERAL BENEVOLENT UNION US DESIRES UNRRA SHIPPING
AID FOR TWO HUNDRED BALES OF USED CLOTHING SHOES MENS WOMENS
CHILDRENS FOR DISTRIBUTION ARMENIAN DESTITUTE REFUGEES IN
GREECE. THEY ASSUME ALL SHIPPING AND DISTRIBUTION COSTS.
PLEASE CONTACT MOST REVEREND ARCHBISHOP GARABED MAZLUMIAN/
ODOS NAKIOU. ATHENS. AND UNOFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE US
COMMITTEE. LAIRD ARCHER C/O NEAR EAST FOUNDATION AS WELL
AS GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES. PLEASE WIRE US ACCEPTANCE SOONEST

DISTRIBUTION
CLOTHING TEXT. FOOTWEAR
SHIPPING- ACTION
TRAFFIC
ACCOUNTS
FIN. & ADM.
SUPS. & DIST.
CHIEF OF MIS.
COL. WHITE
PROC. & COORD.
~~TEXTILES~~

C.G.

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MESSAGE OUT 21 Aug? 45

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832 UNHRA WASHINGTON

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SENT WASHINGTON EIGHTTHREETWO STOP

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RMJR SIX FIVE EIGHT STOP SUPPLIES ACCEPTED UNDER CONDITIONS
YOUR CABLE STOP

Proc & Coord (Originator)

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Distribution.

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Services	Lond. Info
Col. White	

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MERRA

WASHINGTON

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ONE ONE YOUR SIXTEEN OF SECOND AUGUST AND
 SIXTYTWO OF PERCHIN AUGUST STOP TWO STOP
 SUPPLIES REQUISITION IN FORWARDING CABLES ACCEPTED
 STOP REQUEST REPLY BE ANSWERED

SHIPPING SECTION/EP
 20th August 1945

Approved

For Chief of Section

T.O.S.

DISTR: SHIPPING SECTION
 TRAFFIC DIV.
 PROG. & COORD.
 SUPS & DISTR
 FTH & AIRCIN
 CHIEF OF MISSION
 SERVICES
 MR. WASHINGTON

8/21/45

TELEGRAM RECEIVED August 11, 45

From : Washington

August 10, 45

To : UNRRA ATHENS (658)

ACTION

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(15)

Charles House former head UNNRA Greek desk leaving us for previous position as head Thessalonika agricultural institute house requesting UNRRA shipping aid for small quantity farm machinery. Nails. Paint. Used shoes. Blankets. Clothing and foodstuffs. All expenses and arrangements your end responsibility of institute. Your earliest reply re acceptability of goods permits Headquarters to arrange shipment of supplies same boat MR HOURSE; LEHMAN.

LK

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Distribution.

Proc. & Coord. - Action

Shipping.

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Services.

Mr. Kelsey

Traffic

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 6 August 45

(13)

FROM: WASHINGTON 4/8/45
TO: UNRA ATHENS (622)

AMERICAN BOARD FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS DESIRES UNRA AID IN SHIPPING FOR SUPPLIES
INCLUDING DISHES, CUTLERY, BOOKS, FOOD, OFFICE SUPPLIES URGENTLY BY STAFF
ANATILIA COLLEGE THESSALONIKI. ALL COSTS GUARANTEED BY AMERICAN BOARD AND SUP-
PLIES SHIPPED AS FILLER CARGO. SCHOOL AUTHORITIES GREEK TO ASSUME ALL RESPON-
SIBILITY FOR TRANSPORTATION AND COSTS FROM PORT OF DEPARTURE. PLEASE MAKE
NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL AUTHORITIES AND ADVISE US SOONEST
ON ACCEPTANCE OF SUPPLIES.

See Po 16

Distribution:	Ch, Mission	Services
	Sup & Distr	Shipping - Action
	Fin & Admin	Mr. Radley
	Proc & Coord	

H.K.

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 4 AUGUST 45

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FROM: WASHINGTON 2/8/45
TO: UNRRA ATHENS (613)

for 11

HELLENIC PROTOGENOS APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN CALIFORNIA REQUESTING UNRRA AID IN SHIPPING APPROXIMATELY THOUSAND POUNDS USED CLOTHING FOR THEIR MISSIONARIES ATHENS GREECE FOR NEEDY OF THAT GROUP HEADQUARTERS AID IN SHIPPING PROGRAMS DIFFER FROM CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNRRA PROGRAMS. THIS TYPE CONTRIBUTION WITHIN POLICY STATED OUR CABLE 928 IN THAT DONOR MUST ASSUME ALL TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND UNRRA HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR PICKING UP SUPPLIES PORT OF DEBARKATION OR FOR DISTRIBUTION. PLEASE CONTACT GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES AND ADVISE US OF ACCEPTANCE AND PERMISSION TO SHIP.

See for 16

Distribution:

Services
Sup & Distr
Fin & Admin
Ch. Mission - Action
Shipping
Proc & Coord

6/8/45

H.K.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED 19 July 1945

FROM: WASHINGTON 18/7/45
TO: UNRRA ATHENS (528)

REUR 406 AND 391.

1. UNRRA POLICY FOLLOWS:

(A) LEVEL OF UNRRA PROGRAMMED SUPPLIES CANNOT BE EXPECTED GO BEYOND NEEDS. THEREFORE WELCOME ALL ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES POSSIBLE. FURTHERMORE IN PROSPECT INDIVIDUAL PACKAGE ARRANGEMENTS OPENING OF MAIL SERVICES AND OTHER DIRECT MEANS OF COMMUNICATION SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPLIES INEVITABLE. PARTICULAR GROUPS KEENLY INTERESTED IN MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARTICULAR AREAS WHICH WILL RESULT IN INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PRIVATE GROUPS.

(B) CONTRIBUTIONS SUCH AS GREEK WAR RELIEF PACKAGES AND KASTORIAN SUPPLIES SHIPPED AS FILLER CARGO AND DISTRIBUTED BY GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE AGENCIES ARE OUTSIDE UNRRA PROGRAM. IF GOVERNMENT AGREES TO PERMIT IMPORT THESE SUPPLIES UNRRA ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISTRIBUTION PROVIDING ONLY SHIPPING SPACE AT SHIPPERS EXPENSE AS IN CASE OF COMMERCIAL SHIPMENTS NOW UNDER DISCUSSION. QUESTION OF EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION UNRRA GOODS NOT INVOLVED EITHER CASE.

2. WE INFORMED THAT KASTORIAN CIVIC AND CHURCH COMMITTEE WILL SEND DELEGATION TO PORT TO RECEIVE SUPPLIES ARRANGE AND PAY FOR TRANSPORTATION TO KASTORIA AND DISTRIBUTION THAT AREA.
3. PLEASE ADVISE GREEK GOVERNMENT WISHES OF DONOR AND UNRRA DESIRE TO GIVE ASSISTANCE AND ADVISE HEADQUARTERS OUTCOME YOUR NEGOTIATIONS.
4. KASTORIAN SOCIETY ONE OF MANY ANXIOUS TO CONTRIBUTE TO DESIGNATED AREA FOR SUCH SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRIBUTION. OUR HANDLING OF THIS CONTRIBUTION KEENLY VIEWED BY MANY SIMILAR GROUPS ALSO INTERESTED.

NOTE: 391 does not refer.

Distribution: Sup & Distr - Action
Ch. Mission
Food Division
Fin & Admin
Proc & Coord

H.K.

11. 7. 45

To : UNRRA LONDON L.B.O.
FROM: UNRRA ATHENS

FROM: MABEN TO: JACKSON STOP
RELAY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SAUNDERS TO CARTES FRS FRIENDS-HOUSE
HUSTON ROAD LONDON IF YOU AGREE TEXT STOP QUOTE STOP ONE STOP
IN ADDITION NEEDS ALREADY CABLED AGREED HERE REQUIRE CHIOS INCLUDING
NORTHERN VILLAGES 8000 YARDS CLOTHES FOR CLOTHING STOP THREAD NEEDLES SCISSORS
buttons STOP SCHOOL STATIONERY 8000 PUPILS STOP ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT 500
young PERSONS STOP MATERIAL AND MONEY YOUTH CLUBS AND INSTITUTIONS
STOP TWO STOP ARE YOU ABLE SUPPLY ANY OF THESE GOODS OR CASH FOR
PURCHASE FROM ENGLAND TURKEY OR ELSEWHERE STOP CABLE SUGGEST DETAILS
SO THAT ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE WITH UNRRA ATHENS STOP THREE STOP
INFORM CHIOS SOCIETY UNRRA ATHENS NOW SAYS THIS MUST BE SUBSTITUTE
NOT SUPPLEMENTARY TO GENERAL UNRRA PROGRAMME AND REGIONAL DIRECTOR
CONTROLS DISTRIBUTION STOP FOUR STOP UNRRA ATHENS HAS GUARANTEED GOODS
CONSIGNED THROUGH DIRECTOR CHIOS REGION WILL REACH CHIOS FOR THIS
PURPOSE STOP UNQUOTE STOP WISH EMPHASISE THIS NECESSARY TO GET
PRELIMINARY INFORMATION NOT REPEAT NOT ACTION STOP ACTION COULD GO
THROUGH CHANNELS SUGGESTED BY YOU STOP

DISTRIBUTION: CHIEF OF MISSION ~~advises~~

BUREAU OF SERVICES SUPS. & DIST.
FIN. & ADMIN.

John Brown
Don Davis
Blair Keet

Distribution: Chief of Mission
Bureau of Services
Sups & Dist
Fin & Admin
Davis
Proc & Coord
Mr. John Brown
London Confirm

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

4 July 45

(9.)

FROM: UNHCR CHINEE

2 July 45

TO: UNHCR ATHENS
SAMOS

UNHCR 356 (.) Restricted (.)

Please wire following from SAUNDERS to SANTER Friends Relief Service, Friends House, Euston Road, London (.) Quote (.) Request earliest shipment part or whole following most urgently These needs (.)

ONE (.) Footwear, pants, shirts or jerseys for 5000 boys aged mainly 7 to 14 (.)

TWO (.) Footwear, trousers, shirts and jackets 3500 men (.)

THREE (.) Quantities footwear women and girls (.) All footwear required large sizes (.)

FOUR (.) These requests approved UNHCR ATHENS in cable 28th June (.)

FIVE (.) Cable reply on possibilities (.)

Further requests to follow

Distribution: Clothing & Footwear ACTION
Chief of Mission
Bureau of Services
Fin. & Admin.
Subs. Dir.
Proc. & Coord.

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3 July 1945

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TO: 516 WASHINGTON

RPTD TO: 417 LONDON

FROM: ATHENS

Follows

516 Washington, rpt Landa 417(-)

REUR THREE NINE ONE REPEATED TO LONDON ONE NINE FIVE FIVE STOP

ONE. IF PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS ARE FULFILLED GREEK WAR RELIEF PACKAGES CAN BE HANDLED THROUGH ESTABLISHED DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS BY THE TIME THE PACKAGES ARRIVE STOP

TWO. YOUR CABLE IMPLIES MODIFICATION OF UNRRA POLICY REGARDING EQUITABLE STOP DISTRIBUTION/SINCE OTHER AGENCIES ARE SHIPPING PACKAGES INTO GREECE AND HAVE REQUESTED UNRRA ASSISTANCE PLEASE CABLE COMPREHENSIVE STATEMENT ON UNRRA POLICY REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF PRIVATE AGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD AND CLOTHING TO LIMITED RECIPIENTS IN GREECE STOP

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REMARKS/JM

COPY TO: Traffic, GREEK WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Proc & Coord

Chief of Mission. Fin & Admin Sups & Distn

Washington
London

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MESSAGE OUT

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488 UNRRA WASHINGTON H I T

388 UNRRA LONDON E I T

John 5

SENT WASHINGTON FOUR EIGHT EIGHT REPEATED LONDON
THREE EIGHT EIGHT STOP

REUR THREE NINE ONE REPEATED LONDON ONE NINE
FIVE FIVE STOP AGREED REPEATED AGREED U N R R A

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29 June 45

Distributions:

Ch. Mission

Mr. Curtis

Mr. Kalmer

Services

Traffic

Fin & Admin

Proc & Coord

Washington

London

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 27 June 45

FROM: CHIREG UNRA

25 June 45

TO: GREENKAIT
SAMOS

UNRA 320 Restd (.) From GRICE to LEET .

- ONE. CHIOS Society GREAT BRITAIN have contacted QUAKERS LONDON. Desire provide (? initial) supplies including poorer northern villages to be administered by CALVOCORESSI with advice of QUAKERS Welfare Division .
- TWO. In addition to needs reported in my UNRA 305 dated 20th June CALVOCORESSI SAUNDERS and self agree 8000 yds cloth various kinds . Thread needles scissors buttons . School stationery 8000 pupils. Athletic equipment 500 young persons . Material and money youth clubs and institutions .
- THREE. Are these or proportion scheduled arrive next three months normal UNRA shipment .
- FOUR. If NOT (not) may SAUNDERS cable QUAKERS LONDON for such needed supplementary supplies as available .
Signal reply

DISTRIBUTION: MR LEET - Action
CHIEF OF MISSION
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
SUPS & DISTN.
SERVICES

Welfare Approver 4 as time of arrival of UNRA 4

Supplies is too indefinite. LSL

To See

R 396

Was known
acted -
but memo to
Mr. Leet

To G. Leet.
My plan will be in
in brief official letter

fill 367
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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 26 June 45

FR : WASHINGTON
TO : ATHENS (391)
RPTD : LONDON (1955)

22 June 45

REF OUR TWO SIX ^{FOUR} AND YR TWO NINE ZERO. ~~ONE~~ SHIPMENTS

ONE. SHIPMENTS CONTEMPLATED BY GREEK WAR RELIEF WILL BE PACKAGES OF UNIFORM SIZE CONTAINING USED CLOTHING AND SHOES EXCLUSIVELY, CONSIGNED TO INDIVIDUALS IN GREECE. WE ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT SHIPMENTS AS FILLER CARGO TO BE HANDLED HERE AND AT DESTINATION LIKE COMMERCIAL SHIPMENTS AS OUTLINED IN OUR CABLE NUMBER THREE FOUR FIVE. *PC/88 fo 24*

TWO. GREEK WAR RELIEF WILL PAY ALL EXPENSES FROM ORIGIN TO RECIPIENT SOLE RESPONSIBILITY INCLUDING THAT OF DISTRIBUTION IN GREECE WOULD BE STRICTLY THAT OF GREEK WAR RELIEF. UNDERSTAND GREEK GOVT HAS AGREED TO PERMIT ENTRY DUTY DASH FREE AND TO FACILITATE DISTRIBUTION. *X*

THREE. THEREFORE, IN VIEW OF TIGHT TEXTILE SITUATION IN U. S. WE FEEL IT HIGHLY ADVISABLE FOR MISSION TO ACCEDE TO PLAN EVEN IF DISTRIBUTION IN GREECE SOMEWHAT DELAYED. FIRST ARRIVALS WOULD BE ABOUT ONE SEPT.

FOUR. PSE REPLY SOONEST .

Distribution:
Services
Fin & Admin
Chief of Mission - Action
Curtis
Kalmer
Traffic
Sup & Distr
Proc & Coord

See fo 7+8

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CABLE OUT

(4)

TO : WASHINGTON

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30 May 45

FROM : UNRRA ATHENS

REF UR 264. PARA 1. ADVISED SKOURAS BROUNE THAT TRANSPORTATION COMMUNICATION FACILITIES COMPLETELY IN ADEQUATE HANDLE INDIVIDUAL CLOTHING OR FOOD PARCELS . ALSO AT LEAST FOUR MONTHS BEFORE THE PROJECT COULD RECEIVE FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION AND THAT IF PLANS THIS PROJECT WERE MADE IN STATES PRIOR TO ATHENS APPROVAL RESPONSIBILITY WOULD BE STRICTLY GWRA. YOUR PARA 3. PENDING IMPROVEMENT IN TRANSPORT MOST PACKAGES WOULD REMAIN IN WAREHOUSES AS DISTRIBUTION IM-RACTICABLE. YOUR PARA 5. WE RECOMMEND NO PARCELS BE SHIPPED WITHOUT CLEARING HERE. WILL ADVISE YOU SOONEST WHEN CONDITIONS HERE JUSTIFY A PROJECTED RECEIVING DATE FOR DISTRIBUTION.

BFMABEN

See to 5

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CABLE RECEIVED

27 May 45

FROM : WASHINGTON 264

TO : ATHENS

1. GWR PROPOSES COLLECT USED CLOTHING PARCELS FOR INDIVIDUALS THIS COUNTRY FOR DELIVERY INDIVIDUALS IN GREECE USING UNIFORM PACKAGE PROBABLY NOT EXCEEDING TWENTY POUNDS EACH AND TWENTY THOUSAND PACKAGES A MONTH.
2. OCEAN SHIPPING BRANCH PREPARED TO SCHEDULE SUCH SHIPMENTS AS PART OR OVERALL MONTHLY LOADING PROGRAM FOR GREECE AND GREEK WAR RELIEF HERE WILL FORWARD AND SHIP CONSIGNING TO FRANCH CURTIS JJQO WHO WILL ARRANGE DISTRIBUTION.
3. DO YOU CONSIDER DISTRIBUTION TO INDIVIDUALS OF THESE PACKAGES UPON THEIR ARRIVAL FEASIBLE AND PROPOSAL ADVISABLE UNDER EXISTING CONDITIONS.
4. GREEK AMERICANS VERY ANXIOUS TO SEND CLOTHING TO THEIR RELATIVES AND THIS PROCEDURE HAS WIDE SUPPORT.
5. PLEASE CONSIDER MATTER IN DETAIL AND MAKE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS SOONEST

LEHMAN

See fo 4, 5

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16 June 1945

~~Military~~
DRAFT CABLE

19 June 45

TO WASHINGTON

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REUR 346 WOULD WELCOME CONTRIBUTION PROVIDED
DISTRIBUTION TO AREA IS IN SUBSTITUTION NOT
ADDITION REGULAR PROGRAM (.) IMPORTANT ALL
DONATED SUPPLIES BE POOLED AND DISTRIBUTED
UNDER UNRHA GREEK GOVERNMENT AUSPICES (.)
BELIEVE SEPARATE SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRIBUTIONS
CONTRARY UNRHA POLICY.

Supp. & Distr.

19 June 45

DISTRIBUTION:

SAFE & HEALTH
CHIEF OF MISSION
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
FOOD DIVISION
PROC. & CORR.

WASHINGTON
MOSCOW

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Information

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED 13 JUNE 45

12/5

FROM: WASHINGTON

12 June 45

(1.)

TO: URSRA AETHER 346

GREEK WAR RELIEF OFFERS URSRA CONTRIBUTION FROM KASTORIAN SOCIETY FOR
FREE DISTRIBUTION IN KASTORIAN AREA BY COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF MAYOR, BISHOP
AND LEADING CITIZENS OF THAT AREA THE FOLLOWING, USED CLOTHING AND SHOES
10,000 LBS. WHEAT FLOUR 1,000 LBS. BLENDING CEREALS WHEATSEA CREAM OF;
1,000 LBS. MILK POWDER; 500 LBS. SOAP; 2,000 LBS. CONCENTRATED FOOD DRINK
2,000 CANS BANNERS, 2 ONE HALF OZ. 1,000 JARS VICKS, 4 OZ. VEGETABLE
EXTRACT FOR SOAPS, ETC. FOR CARRYING THESE SUPPLIES SUPPLEMENTAL URSRA
PROGRAM. URSRA HEADQUARTERS GRATEFUL TO ACCEPT UPON OCCURRENCE BY YOU.

DISTRIBUTION: SUBS & DISSEM. - Action
CHIEF OF MISSION
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
FOOD DIVISION
PROC. & COORDINATION

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