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The Honorable Albert B. Chandler
United States Senate
Washington 25, D.C.

My dear Senator:

The Office of War Information has referred to this Administration your letter of January 17th enclosing a letter from Mr. John Harvey, in which he requests information on work in connection with the rehabilitation of coal mines in Europe.

As you know, the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration assists liberated countries which do not have resources to finance their own imports. The following European countries have requested UNRRA financial assistance: Albania, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Yugoslavia, and Poland. In some of these countries, especially Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, and Poland, it is now contemplated that UNRRA will supply a small amount of repair equipment and materials so as to make possible sufficient coal production to meet minimum relief needs. We are not now planning to send any mining engineers into the liberated areas for which UNRRA is financially responsible.

If there is any further information you would like, I shall be happy to furnish it.

Sincerely yours,

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Director General

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The Honorable Albert B. Chandler
United States Senate
Washington 25, D.C.

My dear Senator:

referred your letter of January 17 to the administration

Mr. Malcolm Morrow, Chief of the Division of Public Inquiries of the Office of War Information has asked us to acquaint you with the program of UNRRA for aid to the liberated countries of Europe in the rehabilitation of coal mines.

not requested UNRRA assistance

As you probably know, UNRRA's help to liberated nations in the importation of supplies is made available to those countries which do not have resources to finance their own imports. As a result, our assistance in providing supplies for the rehabilitation of coal mines and for other purposes will be available, in Europe to the following countries (which cannot finance their own imports): Albania, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Yugoslavia, and Poland. The remaining European countries, liberated or to be liberated, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway, Denmark and Luxembourg, have sufficient foreign exchange to finance their own imports, including those of coal mining machinery. In addition to the areas of Eastern Europe, certain areas in the Far East may be eligible for UNRRA's assistance.

With respect to those countries which qualify for import help from UNRRA, the program for rehabilitation of coal mining is confined to the provision of a limited quantity of mining supplies and repair parts for machinery and equipment.

Estimates of coal required for relief and rehabilitation purposes are considerably below present production, which in the case of Poland and Czechoslovakia is in excess of the pre-war rate. For this reason, the mining program is limited to the above items until such time as the UNRRA Field Missions have had an opportunity to report on the status of the mines after liberation.

We have not had any requests for mining engineers from any of the liberated areas for which UNRRA is financially responsible and any action in this regard will be taken only on the basis of a specific request.

If there is any further information you would like to have we shall be happy to furnish it.

Sincerely yours,

Director General

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January 23, 1945

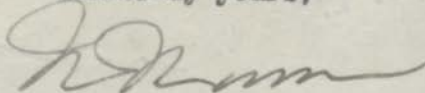
71- Mr. Morse Salisbury
Director of Public Information
United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration
1344 Connecticut Avenue, NW.
Room 520
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Salisbury:

At the suggestion of Mr. Emanuel Herzog, we are referring the attached letters from the Honorable Albert B. Chandler, United States Senate, Washington 25, D. C., and from one of his constituents - Mr. John B. Harvey, New Century Hotel, Dawson Springs, Kentucky.

It will be appreciated if you will forward the required information regarding rehabilitation of coal mines in Europe directly to Senator Chandler.

Sincerely yours,



Malcolm Morrow, Chief
Division of Public Inquiries
Special Services Bureau

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January 17, 1945

Mr. John B. Harvey
New Century Hotel
Dawson Springs, Ky.

My dear Mr. Harvey:

I have taken the liberty of showing your letter of 12 January to Mr. Malcolm Morrow, Chief of Service Division, Bureau of Special Services, Room 2, Temporary V, Washington, D. C., asking that his office give us some information with respect to such plans as may exist with respect to the rehabilitation of coal mines in Europe.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

s/ Albert B. Chandler

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RIVER MINING COMPANY

Dawson Springs, Ky.

January 12, 1945

Senator A. D. Chandler
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Chandler:

Will you please inform me if there are any existing departments in the United States Army that deals with the rehabilitation of coal mines in Europe?

I understand that several men from the United States have been sent across to assist in putting coal mines into production that were taken from Germany.

I will greatly appreciate any information you can give me on this subject.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Yours very truly,

John B. Harvey,
New Century Hotel,
Dawson Springs, Ky.

Postal Zone #25

January 23, 1945

The Honorable
Albert B. Chandler
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Chandler:

This will acknowledge your recent transmittal of a letter from Mr. John B. Harvey, New Century Hotel, Dawson Springs, Kentucky, requesting information on the rehabilitation of coal mines in Europe.

We have discussed this matter with Lieutenant Colonel C. R. Mabley, Jr., Office of the Quartermaster General, War Department, Room 2602 Temporary Building B., Washington 25, D. C., and with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, Washington 25, D. C. Copies of your letter and that of your constituent have been sent to these offices with the request that they furnish you directly with the information that is available. Both these agencies are conducting mine rehabilitation operations.

Colonel Mabley has been asked to return your constituent's letter to you when it has served its purpose.

Sincerely yours,

Malcolm Morrow, Chief
Division of Public Inquiries
Special Services Bureau

cc: Colonel C. R. Mabley, Jr.
cc: Mr. Morse Salisbury