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Treasury is prepared to issue a license required for the following arrangements. These arrangements are in connection with proposals made by representatives of the American Jewish Congress for evacuation and relief of Jewish refugees in France and Rumania:

(a) There would be established in a bank in the United States (not Switzerland) a blocked account by deposit of funds by private groups in the United States for reimbursement of persons in occupied and other areas who would furnish local currency or services necessary in relation to the evacuation of Jewish refugees (a) from France to Spain or North Africa and (b) from Rumania. There would be allocated in favor of the persons furnishing such currency or services certified by an agent of the World Jewish Congress acceptable to this Government the funds in such blocked account. It would be stipulated by Treasury:

(1) Until the end of the war and in no event without the approval of said agent of the World Jewish Congress no funds would be paid from such account for any purpose.

(2) It would be only in connection with the evacuation expenses that this arrangement would be available. The establishment of such account or the employment of funds under such arrangement for relief in contradistinction to evacuation would not be permitted by Treasury.

(3) A prohibition of assignments of interest or expectancies in such account would be imposed.