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WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 13th, 1943.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

For Personal Attention of Mr. Pehle

The Ministry of Economic Warfare have received a telegram from H. M. Minister at Berne calling attention to his U.S. colleague's telegram No. 834 of October 6th (it is not clear whether this was addressed to Washington and repeated to the U.S. Embassy, London, or vice versa), regarding the Treasury Department's proposal to licence certain exchange transactions for the purpose of facilitating the evacuation of a number of Jewish refugees from France and Roumania.

The Ministry have not heard of this proposal previously, and are unable to judge its merits until they have received details. Would you let me know whether you have already referred the matter to the U. S. Embassy in London for consultation with the Ministry of Economic Warfare under the Joint Licencing Advisory Committee procedure? If not, I should be grateful to have details of the proposal which I can transmit myself in response to this request for information.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Guy Thorold

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CC - Messrs. Pehle, Schmidt, Fox, Luxford, DuBois, E. M. Bernstein, and Miss Hodel.