

Cable from Bern November 21, 1944

After finishing negotiations with H our delegate informed us about the possibility to evacuate 300,000 Jews for the amount of 20,000,000 Swiss francs to neutral states. Such evacuations could be accomplished in groups of 15,000 persons monthly, the money has to be deposited in a Swiss Bank in proportionate rates of 1,000,000 Swiss francs after arranging the evacuation of each group.

On principle we have accepted this proposition. Our delegate is a very influential and important personality.

We beg you not to demand any collaboration of us with official relief organizations. We did so by your request in the case of the Hungarian Jews and the result of this was a catastrophe, attested in the 16 page report of the Nautrar. We confirm you by oath for immediate decision exclusively addressed to us for utilizing perhaps this only chance for rescue of a great number of Jews. In this moment we need only your cable agreement through the American Embassy, afterwards we send immediately our delegate to Berlin. Further cables we beg to dispatch hitherto by usual way.

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