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For 4,000,000 Still Alive

In an hour when his armies reel back in defeat on the Russian and African fronts, when conditions on his home front constrain him to exhort his old strong-arm squads to be ready to use "tenfold terror," Adolf Hitler proclaims his one unshakeable resolve in war, peace or defeat:

"The extinction of Jewry in Europe."

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On the face of it, it appears that Hitler intends to press forward with the cold-blooded, planned and deliberate murder of the 4,000,000 Jews still alive in Germany and the occupied and satellite countries, despite the Nazi defeats and the ever-nearing certainty of a day of reckoning.

Taken at face value, he is determined to continue the ghastly process by which 2,500,000 men, women and children have already perished of starvation, overwork or butchery.

But who, including the Nazis, takes Hitler unquestioningly at face value any more? We think his threat may bear another interpretation, and in this we are supported by men who have devoted themselves to a study of every aspect of this great humanitarian problem.

What to Tell the Axis

This interpretation is based on two facts. First, that a large part of the Jews remaining in Europe are not immediately and directly subject to Hitler — those in Hungary and Rumania, for example. Second, that while Hitler has always demanded the extermination of the Jews it is notable that he permitted hundreds of thousands of them to go into exile — after he had stripped them of their property and, so far as he was able, of their human dignity.

So we think there is reason to believe that many hundreds of thousands of men, women and children—women and children, especially—can be taken into exile from Europe and rescued by vigorous, intelligent and prompt action now.

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The action must be on a vast scale — a United Nations scale. Let the United Nations appoint a commission and speak for them in this connection, a commission of authority and responsibility.

As its first act
and the world