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MEMO REGARDING RAOUL WALLENBERG
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I have been visited by Mr. Staffan Hultman, journalist in the Swedish newspaper Göteborgs-Posten and former Tel-Aviv correspondent in Radio Sweden, the Swedish newspaper Svenska Dagbladet, etc., and Mr. Hanus Weber, TV-producer Radio Sweden. I think that the latter is a Jew from Czechoslovakia. They told me about their wish to publish a report about Raoul Wallenberg and had tried to get contact with Dr. Nahum Goldmann but were informed that he was in S:t Moritz. They then telephoned him and were recommended to apply to me.

WJC in Stockholm has intervened several times with the Swedish Government regarding Wallenberg. Wallenberg was employed at Mr. Lauer, who wanted to rescue his relatives from Hungary.

I want to point out that Mr. Lauer has assisted us to send carriages with provisions to the concentration camps in Germany and this besides the 75,000 of provisions parcels sent to the camps.

I have not met Raoul Wallenberg personally but I have been asked to give him Sw.Crs. 10,000 before his departure for Hungary. At that time I was in South Sweden and called a company there where I had money, asking them to pay, but unfortunately it did not occur. As far as I know Mr. Lauer gave Sw.Crs. 2,000 to Wallenberg.

The American Ambassador in Sweden, Herschel Jonson, has not told me if he has given any money to Wallenberg, but possibly Mr. Ivar Olsson, representative of the Was Refugee Board in Stockholm, has made a contribution to Wallenberg's journey. Wallenberg was not in need of money since Hungarian Jews provided capital for him.

Regarding Berkowitz

He was Sholem Aleichem's son-in-law and had translated into English many productions by Sholem Aleichem. About Berkowitz I have written more in detail in the enclosed copy of my report from my visit to the Foreign Minister, Hans Blix, on June 8, 1979.

I request WJC in New York to investigate if there is any report from Berkowitz.

Regarding protection passports

On my request as representative of WJC and Jewish Agency, the Swedish Government has accorded so called protection passports. I have received many telegrams from New York, Jerusalem, Buenos Aires and other places, giving names for which protection passports should be issued. At first I tried to co-operate with the Jewish Community but

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it did not work as Michaeli caused big difficulties. I asked the Foreign Ministry to form a special service to handle the issuing of protection passports. I myself have written out the lists of name and gave them to the Foreign Ministry. That occurred far before Wallenberg's departure. Afterwards Wallenberg continued with the issuing of protection passports.

I have intervened many times verbally with the government.

In the first paragraph mentioned Messrs. Hultman and Weber seem to be competent persons and I had an interesting discussion with them. I pointed out that as far as the Wallenberg case is concerned, the Swedish government has made the most essential effort. I told them that I have had many interviews with the then Foreign Minister Östen Undén, who at first tried with silent diplomacy. It is known to me that when Tage Erlander together with the under-secretary Sverker Aström visited Moskow, they took up the Wallenberg subject energetically. When Krustojow visited Stockholm Tage Erlander intervened with him. When the Prime Minister Olof Palme visited Moskow also he took up the Subject and when Kusigin visited Sweden as well.

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I enclose copies of documents being at my disposal. Unfortunately most of the documents has got lost. One of the letters is written to Dr. Siegfried Roth, WJC Budapest. I think that it should mean Dr. Stephan Roth and I want to ask the friend Stephan Roth, WJC in London, to inform if he knows of that letter.

Some copies are in Swedish and are not translated. You can file them in the Wallenberg archives.

On Aug. 31st, 1979, I was invited for lunch by the Jewish Community to meet Mrs. Anette Lantos, member of the board of the American Committee for "Raoul Wallenberg's Rescuing". I did not attend and I have not participated in any other committees that have been founded in Sweden with the same aim. Such committees exist all over the world.

Stockholm in September, 1979

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