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The Honorable Edwin W. Pauley
United States Representative
Allied Reparations Commission
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Pauley:

Of all the peoples who have been singled out for destruction by the Nazis, there is no single class which has suffered more intensively than the Jewish people of Germany and occupied countries. Hundreds of thousands who were able to leave central Europe have gone to Palestine and have developed a home there. Other hundreds of thousands are now stranded in different parts of the world and may wish to settle in Palestine.

Certainly these Jewish refugees who will be without resources and who will need raw materials, machinery, equipment and consumers' goods should have some claim upon reparations in kind from Germany. Their need for resettlement and their inability to finance their own settlement arises directly out of the Nazi terrorism and militarism. Their property was stolen and confiscated. Their families and associates were exterminated.

I personally believe that if we do not take account of the reparation claims of the Jewish people who are stateless, we shall be derelict in our responsibilities. Strict adherence to legalistic conceptions which will result in ignoring just and honorable claims is not consistent with the spirit of our goals.

Sincerely,

x L. F. State - Palestine

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