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THE HOLOCAUST IN HUNGARY

Evolution of a Genocide

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HUNGARIAN ROYAL MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR

Re: Preparing a register of foreigners required to leave the country

No. 192/res/1941

VII/b

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To the heads of first instance police authorities at their headquarters.³⁸

In the light of the present foreign affairs situation, it has become possible to remove from the territory of the country unsuitable aliens and foreign citizens against whom the final expulsion order or denial of a residential permit have not, until now, been carried out effectively.

In the light of all of the important national political considerations, I emphatically call the attention of all leaders of the first instance police authorities to the fact that they are to submit to me the register of all such foreigners as soon as possible.

The report should contain the name of the foreigners and all data about their place of origin as well as data about their family members. If a family member subject to a final decision is not presently residing in the area under your control, then also provide the exact address of that person.

In light of the above, utmost care must be taken in the compilation of the report. The swift and effective execution of the question will in many respects be greatly assisted by the precise and careful measures taken by the first instance police authorities.

After the reports have come in, I shall issue an order concerning the foreigners to be removed, and in that order I shall also provide details about the implementation measures.

The report should be submitted directly to the address of Ministerial Department Councillor Vitéz Sándor Siménfalvy,³⁹ head of the National Central Authority for Controlling Aliens (Municipal District IX, 8 Fővám Square, first floor, 101).

Budapest, 1941. July 12

From the decree of the minister:

SÁNDOR SIMÉNFALVY

Ministerial Department Councillor

38. That is, local police.

39. Ministerial department councillor was a rank in the administrative structure usually held by officials heading up subdepartments in the ministries.