

SECURITY INFORMATION

TO: The Chairman  
Displaced Persons Commission  
100-10852

FROM: Lyman B. Kirkpatrick  
Assistant Director

SUBJECT: ZAKO, Andras

1. Reference is made to your biographical data sheet, B-1565, subject as above, whose name you desired checked against the files of this office.
2. The files of this Agency contain voluminous material on former Hungarian General Andras ZAKO, who is believed to be identical with the subject of the Displaced Persons Commission name check B-1565, Washington Code No. B-9683.
3. During World War II, Andras ZAKO worked closely with the Hungarian Fascist regime and with the German Nazi military and civilian officials who occupied the country. It is not known whether ZAKO ever became a formal member of the Arrow Cross, the Hungarian equivalent of the Nazi or Fascist Party.
4. On 15 October 1944, at the time Regent HORTHY was deposed in a German-inspired coup and replaced by the Arrow Cross Premier SZALASI, ZAKO was promoted to Brigadier General and made chief of the VKF-2, the Hungarian Army G-2. Shortly thereafter, at the request of the German Intelligence Service, ZAKO formed an anti-Communist resistance group known as "Kopjas" which was composed of members and supporters of the Arrow Cross Party. The group was intended to operate behind Russian lines as they advanced into Hungary, but was never activated for this purpose.
5. General ZAKO retreated from Hungary with the German Army and was captured by the American Army in May 1945. Since his release, he has been the head of a refugee organization known as the MBEK (Magyar Harcosok Bajtarsi Kozonsege - League of Hungarian Veterans and Comradeship of Hungarian Veterans).

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A brief report on this group, SO DB-29657, is attached for your information. The consensus of "neutral" observers is that, although ZAED has consistently asserted that the MHBK is a purely military group with no political platform or objectives, the MHBK is, in fact, controlled by an inner circle of hard core fascists under ZAED's leadership.

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Encls: 1 biographical data sheet  
1 report (2 copies)

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CONSUL GENERAL  
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MUNICH, GERMANY

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SO DB - 34789

Area 3-26

European Case No. 430021

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BY DP ACT.

Washington Code No. 3-9683

Marital Status:

Married

(Maiden Name (if any) \_\_\_\_\_)

Name of Applicant Andras Age 53  
(Last) (First) (Middle) Sex male

Address Austria Nationality Austrian  
Abraham bei Hall 1. Piroi, Gasthaus Bogner,  
(full address)

Accompanying Family:

Name Alice, Age 50 Sex f Relationship wife

Name ~~Andras~~ Age 53 Sex m Relationship husband

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Destination in USA 127. East 78 St., New York 24, (N.Y.)

Employment CABINET MAKER Sponsor Mrs. Elizabeth Varza  
MS/MSC NY/12-934  
NEW YORK

Sponsor's Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(full address)

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ACTIVITY IN COMMUNITY WHERE EMPLOYED.

*Robert J. Corkery*  
Robert J. Corkery  
Coordinator for Europe

Date issued to Area 7-27-51

Date and place of birth of applicant 23 March 1898 at Brasse, Hungary

Last Permanent Address Budapest, Tempa u. 22, Hungary

Spouse Accompanying  Not accompanying

Name Alice If wife nee Pesthy  
(First) (Middle) (Maiden Name)

Nationality Hungarian Occupation Household

Date and Place of Birth 27 July 1911 at Nagykecses, Hungary

Last Permanent Address Szabadka, Hauptplatz 4, Hungary

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