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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Information Management Staff, DO

VIA: []
Director of Information Services, DDA

FROM: [] 11 FEB 1982

Chief, Classification Review Division
Office of Information Services

SUBJECT: Documents Relating to the Raoul Wallenburg
Affair Found in OSS Records (U)

REFERENCE: Memorandum from Chief, CRD; dated 10 December 1981;
Subject: Document Concerning Raoul Wallenburg found
in OSS Records

1. The attached documents were found during the systematic classification review of permanent OSS records. They do not refer directly to Raoul Wallenburg but to the establishment of the War Refugee Board, codenamed GARBO, which was established in March 1944 "to rescue endangered refugees in every area of the world," and the initiation of its activities as they were undertaken in Stockholm, Sweden. Six of the messages were sent from OSS Headquarters to the OSS in Stockholm, and three from the OSS in Stockholm to OSS Headquarters in Washington. They include one message for Iver Olsen, Wallenburg's U.S. contact in Stockholm. Although he is not mentioned directly in any of these messages, Wallenburg became part of this effort and played a significant role. These documents are being forwarded for background and to lend clarification to reference. (S)

2. The documents were found in OSS Headquarters chrono file (Job 56-19) and are being forwarded for possible relevance to the Raoul Wallenburg matter. Unless we hear to the contrary, we will continue to watch for and forward any such material in the future. Classification is being maintained on the documents because of the possible adverse effect their release could have on the Wallenburg affair. (S)

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Attachments:

1. OSS cable OUT 4090 dtd 7 Mar 44
2. OSS cable OUT 4115 dtd 7 Mar 44
3. OSS cable OUT 4560 dtd 13 Mar 44
4. OSS cable OUT 4596 dtd 13 Mar 44
5. OSS cable OUT 4785 dtd 16 Mar 44
6. OSS dispatch OUT 5294 dtd 23 Mar 44
7. OSS cable IN 5076 dtd 13 Mar 44
8. OSS dispatch IN 6010 dtd 25 Mar 44
9. OSS cable IN 11705 dtd 7 Jun 44

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 7, 1944 TELNO 3/7/44 3137PJ OUT 4890

FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

TO TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

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CONFIRMATION: 81

INFORMATION: DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MAGNUSSON, SCRIMMER, ETO, etc.

CONFIRMATION

Robt. M. Wood
Wilho T. Kander
Iver OLSEN
#244. FROM 700 TO 155.

SECRET

INSTRUCTIONS FOR 75 FROM THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD, TO BE KNOWN FROM
NOW ON AS GARLO, ARE CONTAINED IN A SEPARATE COMMUNICATION. WE ARE
IN COMPLETE ACCORD WITH THIS AND IT REPRESENTS THE INITIAL
EXPLORATORY ACTION IN PLAN FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE 2 AGENCIES
WHICH MAY REACH OUT TO ADDITIONAL THEATERS. GARLO SANCTIONS YOUR
DISCREET PARTICIPATION AND KNOWLEDGE OF ALL DETAILS, BUT WOULD WISH
YOU DID NOT SPEAK OF IT WITH THE MINISTER JUST NOW. PLEASE DO
EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO PROMOTE THIS PROJECT.

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CONFIRMATION

TCM 3/8/44 1:113AU

INITIALS: RPL, WNS, JDN, AGC/C.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 7, 1944 REC'D 2/1/44 08:14 WJ 4112

FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

TO TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM SECRET

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CONFIRMATIONS: 81

INFORMATION: DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, INGRIDER, SCRIDNER, N-2, ETC.

CONFIRMATION
1-245. FOR 199 VIA 199.

SECRET

THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD ASKS THAT YOU TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM LOUIS BULIVET OF NEW YORK TO: ALLAN DEGERMAN, & LIL NYGATAN; PROFESSOR LUNNAR NYRDAL, UNIVERSITY OF STOCKHOLM AND SENATOR HANNAH BRANTING, SENATE BUILDING. EACH OF THEM IS TO RECEIVE A SEPARATE COPY OF THIS MESSAGE.

MUCH GREATER FACILITIES WILL BE AFFORDED TO THE PROBLEM OF RESCUING POLITICALLY AND RACIALLY PERSECUTED REFUGEES IN EVERY PART OF THE WORLD THAN HERETOFORE. THIS HAS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT. A WAR REFUGEE BOARD WAS ESTABLISHED TO IMPLEMENT THIS, MADE UP OF THE SECRETARIES OF TREASURY, STATE AND WAR WITH MR. JOHN FEILE AS DIRECTOR. THIS BOARD IS RECEIVING THE FULLEST COOPERATION OF THE UNITARIAN FREE WORLD AND OTHER HUMANITARIAN AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

SECRET

IN OUR OPINION THIS IS THE START OF A COMPLETELY NEW POLICY WHICH WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL IN PRESERVING THOUSANDS OF LIVES. WE BELIEVE THAT TREMENDOUS AID COULD BE GIVEN BY ORDINARY PRIVATE CITIZENS REPRESENTING RELIGIOUS AND HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS IF THEY WENT ON HUMANITARIAN MISSIONS TO THE VARIOUS OCCUPIED COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY ROMANIA. MONEY WILL BE FURNISHED FOR TRAVELLING AND OTHER EXPENSES OF INTERNEES NECESSARY TO PROTECT THEIR LIFE AND HEALTH. THIS

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 7, 1944

RECD: 3/7/44 6:20PM OUT 4115

FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

TO TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

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CONFIRMATION

INCLUDES BOTH INTERIEES AND OTHERS WHOSE LIVES ARE IN JEOPARDY. FUNDS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED TO HELP PARTIAL OR MASS EVACUATIONS. WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE ORGANIZATIONS REFERRED TO, AT ONCE, AND ASK THEM TO CHOOSE THE GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO WILL HAVE TO DEPART AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. KINDLY ACCORD EVER OLSEN THE WARMEST RECEPTION. WE WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU. I AM CERTAIN THAT GREAT AID WOULD BE GIVEN AT ONCE BY SIGNE HOJER, BISHOP OF STOCKHOLM, AND OTHERS.

SECRET

KINDLY TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION, AS THIS IS A QUESTION OF LIFE OR DEATH TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. KEEP ME POSTED VIA THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D.C. MR. OLSEN OF THAT BOARD WILL FORWARD YOUR MESSAGES ON TO ME. KINDEST REGARDS.

IN ADDITION, KINDLY SEND AN IDENTICAL MESSAGE TO FUJOLF HOLOWATYI, DOBELHOGATAN 58, FROM JULIUS DEUTSCH, NEW YORK.

KINDLY SEND ON TO THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD VIA THE SAME CHANNELS THROUGH WHICH YOU RECEIVED THIS MESSAGE ANY QUESTIONS OR ANSWERS RELATING TO THIS MESSAGE. NATURALLY YOU WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH HOLOWATYI, MYRDAL, DEGERMAN AND PRANTING AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO RECEIVE THEIR COMMUNICATIONS FOR DEUTSCH AND JOLIVET.

SECRET

TOD: 3/8/44 4:23PM

INITIALS: RHW, WBS, JDN/C.

R 845

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE: MARCH 19, 1944 RECD: 3/19/44 640PM OUT 4950

FROM: OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

TO: TAYLOR STOCKHOLM SECRET

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CONFIRMATION 81

INFORMATION DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MAGNUS, SCRIVER, E-S, ETC.

CONFIRMATION

SECRET

4952. 504 TO 122 FOR 799.

THE MESSAGE WHICH FOLLOWS IS FROM J. STOLZ, N. Y. KINDLY DELIVER BY POP CARDS TO C. LINDBERG AND GUNAR ANDERSON, LANDORGANIZATIONEN IN SWEDICE, LANDSEKRETARIARET NARMSJOGATAN 10.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE U. S. HAS ESTABLISHED A WAR REEFUGEE BOARD, MADE UP OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE TREASURY, WAR AND STATE DEPARTMENTS, TO RESCUE ENDANGERED REFUGEES IN EVERY AREA OF THE WORLD. THE DIRECTOR OF THIS BOARD IS JOHN FENLE. THIS ACTION OF THE PRESIDENT FOUNID A COMPLETELY NEW POLICY AND PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SAVING THOUSANDS OF LIVES. THE MOST COMPLETE COOPERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO THE BOARD BY THE LAEJR MOVEMENT, THE UNITARIAN SERVICE COMMITTEE, THE FREE WORLD AND ADDITIONAL HUMANITARIAN AGENCIES. YOUR HELP IS REQUIRED IN OBTAINING INFORMATION REGARDING CONDITIONS IN OCCUPIED AND NEUTRAL TERRITORIES AND IN ESTABLISHING RESCUE APPARATUS IN SUCH COUNTRIES. YOU WILL BE FURNISHED WITH WHATEVER FUNDS ARE NEEDED. KINDLY EXTEND THE EARTEST WELCOME TO THE PEOPLE WHO WILL CONTACT YOU. YOU SHOULD FORM CONTACTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES AND ENLIST THE ASSISTANCE OF OUR FRIENDS EVERYWHERE. IF YOU HAVE

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 13, 1944 RECD 3/13/44 6:42 PM GWT 4260
FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
TO TAYLOR STOCKHOLM SECRET

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(CONTINUATION OF 4254.)

CONFIRMATION

SECRET

DELEGATES WHO ARE GOING TO THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE, PLEASE
SUPPLY THEM WITH THE MOST COMPLETE DATA. PLEASE SEND US AT ONCE
YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS. YOU CAN COMMUNICATE WITH ME VIA
THE PERSON WHO DELIVERS THIS MESSAGE TO YOU. YOU ARE BEING DEPENDED
ON IN THIS LAST AND UNLIMITED ATTEMPT TO SAVE INNUMERABLE LIVES."

KINDLY GET IN TOUCH WITH LINDBERG AND ANDERSON PERSONALLY AND
ADVISE THEM OF GARDNER'S AIMS. ANY QUESTIONS OR ANSWERS REGARDING
THIS MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED VIA OUR CHANNELS.

CONFIRMATION

SECRET

TRM 3/14/44 STICM

INITIALS SEN RFP WHO ARE
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 13, 1944

RECD: 3/14/44 4:50PM

OUT 4596

FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

TO TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

SECRET

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CONFIRMATION: 81

INFORMATION: DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MAGRUDER, SCRIBNER, X-2, ETC.

#253. TO 687 FROM 908.

CONFIRMATION

SECRET

1. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY WILHELM BOHM THAT THE LETTER TO HIM FROM IGNAC SCHULTZ HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY HIM. LONDON REPORTS THAT THEY SENT THIS LETTER TO YOU VIA POUCH ON NOV. 17TH. DID YOU GET IT? IF YOU DID, WHAT WAS THE REASON IT WAS NOT DELIVERED? 305 WISHES TO HAVE A REPLY AT ONCE, AS THE LETTER IS IMPORTANT.

2. THE FOLLOWING IS FOR 155: WITH FURTHER REFERENCE TO OUR #252 WIRE REGARDING GARBO, KINDLY ARRANGE FOR THE IDENTICAL MESSAGE TO BE GIVEN TO CHARLES LINDLEY, THE PRESIDENT OF I.T.F. STOLZ WAS PREVIOUSLY THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF I.F.T.U.

3. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THIS BRANCH'S ENTIRE EUROPEAN ACTIVITY IS NOW REGIS.

CONFIRMATION

SECRET

TOD: 3/14/44 9:30PM

RHM RCF ACCIC

R 253

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE MARCH 16, 1944 RECD: 3/16/44 6:144PM OUT 4785

FROM OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES PRIORITY

TO TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM SECRET

CONFIRMATION: 81

INFORMATION: DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MACGRUDER, SCRIDNER, X-8, ETC.

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836. 908 TO 155 WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR 177.

SECRET

WE COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM YOU RAISE IN THE ABOVE CASE. CARDO DESIRES YOU TO EMPLOY YOUR OWN DISCRETION IN EVERY PROCEDURAL QUESTION, INCLUDING THAT OF CONFERRING WITH THE MINISTER. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY GIVEN ITS APPROVAL TO THE OVERALL PLAN. HOWEVER, CLEARING EACH SEPARATE STEP THROUGH THE CUSTOMARY CHANNELS WERE WOULD INVOLVE RED TAPE AND DELAY CAUSED BY TECHNICALITIES, WHICH CARDO WISHES TO PREVENT. THE REASON THAT WE ARE TAKING PART IN THIS MATTER IS TO SOME EXTENT THE ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR US TO OFFER RAPID AND EFFICIENT COMMUNICATION, FOR WHICH WE BELIEVE WE WILL GAIN IMPORTANT BENEFITS IN RETURN. I AM CONFIDENT THAT BOTH YOU AND THE MINISTER WILL APPRECIATE THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO PREVENT ANY LOSS OF TIME IN TRANSMITTING MESSAGES BECAUSE TIME IS OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO US.

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

TD: 3/17/44 3:05AM

NEW SCF WMS ADC

R 836

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE	March 23, 1944	REC'D	3/24/44 5:43 pm
TO	TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM	PRIORITY	
FROM	OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES	ROUTINE	
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#264. To 799 from 128.

I have been requested by John Pehle to allow you to be the representative of his agency in Sweden. For reasons which you will appreciate, I have given my consent. We have agreed that you will perform this work for a period of 90 days. At the end of that time, you will advise us of the amount of time you have expended on Pehle's work, and thereupon, you and I will consider whether you ought to go on with his work or whether he should obtain a representative of his own. I wish to assist Pehle in this critical situation since he has been so friendly to us, and I hope that without allowing your other activities to suffer, you will do all that you find possible. I understand that you will receive a wire from Pehle yourself.

SECRET

TOD: 3/24/44 9:50 pm

VIR ACC: C

INITIALS OF "RELEASING" OFFICER

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WPA 7

DATE MARCH 22, 1944

IN 2076

FROM TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

TO OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

SECRET

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ACTION: 21

INFORMATION DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, WILHELM, SCHLIER, ETC. X-4

6177. TO CARRO AND 154 AND 901 FROM 155. REFERENCE YOUR 1244 AND 1245.

HE FEELS THAT HE MUST RAISE CERTAIN OBJECTIONS TO THE TECHNICAL
FEASIBILITY OF CARRYING OUT THE ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN YOUR ABOVE
CABLES IN THE MANNER OUTLINED THEREIN, ALTHOUGH ALL OF US ARE READY
TO PUSH THE PROJECT VIGOROUSLY.

YOU PROBABLY REALIZE THAT SWEDEN IS WORKING IN THIS FIELD BOTH
THROUGH THE LEGATION AND THE LOCAL MINISTER. IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE
FOR AN OFFICER UNCONNECTED WITH US TO OPERATE IN THIS FIELD FOR A
SUBSTANTIAL PERIOD OF TIME WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE MINISTER,
AND AN ATTEMPT TO SET UP THE OPERATION WOULD CRITICALLY JEOPARDIZE
THE CONTINUANCE OF THE REGULAR FUNCTIONS OF ALL OF US. MY VIEWPOINT
IS SHARED BY 647 AND 754 WITH WHOM I HAVE DISCUSSED THE MATTER.

WE SUGGEST THAT YOU EFFECT A PROPER CLEARANCE OF THIS MATTER
THROUGH STATE, AND THAT YOU INFORM US IF THIS HAS BEEN ALREADY
ACCOMPLISHED.

FOR: 3/14/44 4011AM

SECRET

B 177

FORM 69 (Revised)

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE March 25, 1944

FROM

TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

TO

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

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FOR INFORMATION:

DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MAGRUDER,
SCRIMMIR, X-2, ETC

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#190. To 908 from 799. In reference to your #863.

We do not altogether understand the initial portion of the above message, referring to the Garbo plans. Are you able to supply us with more particulars about the person referred to, so that his identity may be determined?

In the opinion of 736 a revival of the Lud project is not justified on the basis of the local situation.

TCR: 3/25/44 8:19 p.m.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES /ICES

DATE JUNE 7, 1944 IN 19709

FROM TAYLOR, STOCKHOLM

TO OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES SECRET

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ACTION: 01.

INFORMATION: DIRECTOR, SECRETARIAT, MACRUBER, SCRIBNER, 670, X-2.

SECRET

1263. FROM 763 TO 1264.

KINDLY INFORM CARLO THAT THE BULGARIAN MINISTER AT THIS ELD WAS APPROACHED THROUGH INTERMEDIARIES ALONG THE LINES RECOMMENDED. THE MINISTER WAS PRESENTED WITH A FORCEFUL MEMORANDUM RECAPITULATING THE TALKS AT ANKARA AS WELL AS AN FIRM ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WE ARE WAITING FOR THE BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT TO MAKE DEFINITE ASSURANCES. THE BULGARIAN MINISTER SUBMITTED A PERSONAL WRITTEN ANSWER. THE LAST WEEK, A BULGARIAN LEGATION COURIER DEPARTED FOR SOFIA FROM STOCKHOLM AND ACCORDING TO THE MINISTER, THE ABOVE MENTIONED MEMORANDUM WAS DISPATCHED TO HIS FOREIGN OFFICE. HE ALSO STATED THAT IF AND WHEN THE COURIER GETS BACK, AN ANSWER MAY BE EXPECTED.

CARLO SHOULD BE TOLD THAT THE COOPERATION OF OUR ORGANIZATION'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THIS ELD MADE THE CONTACT WITH THE BULGARIAN MINISTER POSSIBLE, AND THAT OTHER AFFAIRS OF DIRECT CONCERN TO OUR ORGANIZATION ARE ALSO INVOLVED. THEREFORE, FOR THE TIME BEING THE WHOLE OPERATION SHOULD BE KEPT IN UTTER SECRECY. SIMILAR AID AND COOPERATION WAS RENDERED IN RELATION TO CERTAIN HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL ADVANCES CONCERNING HUNGARIAN ACTIVITIES. THE BALTIC ACTIVITIES WHICH CARLO APPROVED HAVE BEEN ALREADY

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

DATE **JUNE 7, 1944**

IN 11789

FROM **ENL 59, STOCKHOLM**

TO **OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES**

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BEGUN TO YIELD USEFUL INTELLIGENCE DATA AS AN INCIDENTAL RESULT. THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL INSTANCE DEMONSTRATING THE INTIMATE COOPERATION WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN THE WAR REFUGEE BOARD AND OUR ORGANIZATION INVOLVING THE BALTIC COUNTRIES.

TIME 6/7/44 04:30P

END..

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