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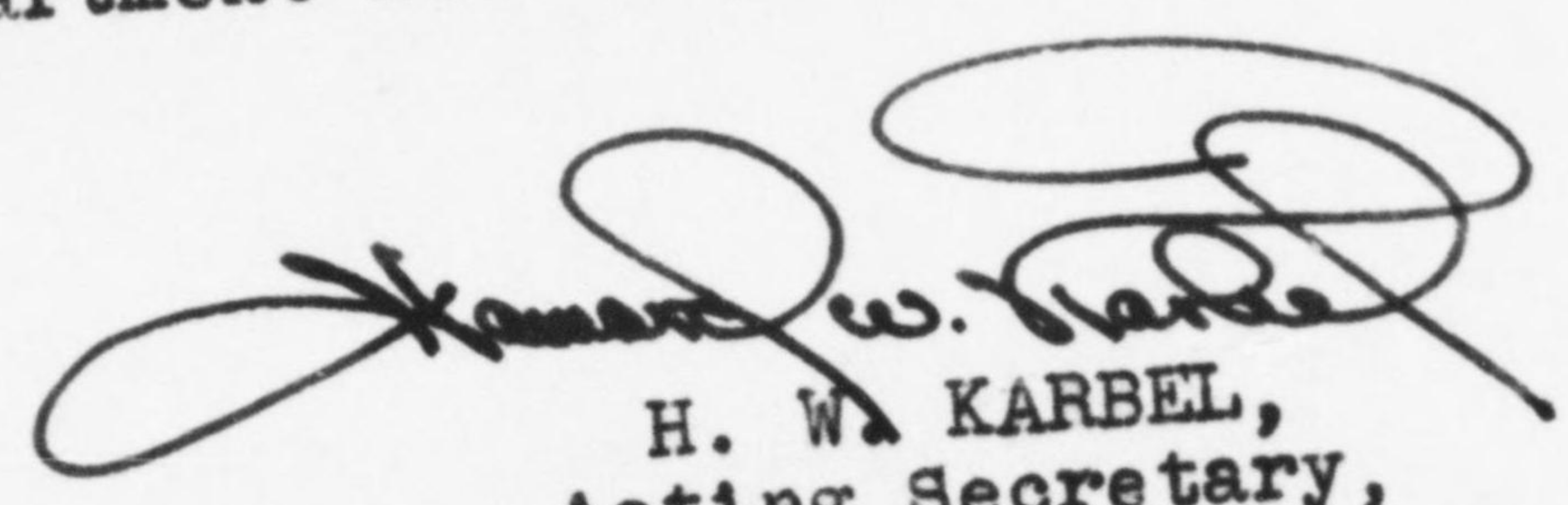
THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

7 November 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE  
WAR MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE  
NAVY MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE

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SCE 5 issued on 6 November 1946, SCE 5 is circulated  
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H. W. KARBEL,  
Acting Secretary,  
European Subcommittee.

APPROVED: John Hieburn

DATE: Nov 8, 1946





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THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
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THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
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APPROVED: J. P. Sinclair

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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OFFICE OF EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

November 6, 1946

H. W. Karbel  
Acting Secretary, European Sub-committee

At the request of the War Department member of the working committee, we have revised some of the pages to SCE 5 of October 21, 1946.

It would be appreciated if the necessary corrected sheets could be mimeographed and sent out.

  
R. H. Davis

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October 31, 1946

STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING SUB-COMMITTEE FOR EUROPE

Corrigendum

to

SCE 5

EMIGRATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF ACCREDITED AGENCY FROM THE U. S. ZONE OF GERMANY

At the request of the originator, holders of SCE 5 dated ~~October 21, 1946~~ are requested to make the following changes therein:

(a) Substitute the attached <sup>revised</sup> page 2 for the one contained therein and destroy latter by burning.

(b) Add attached <sup>re page 6 and 7</sup> sheet ~~containing Appendix "D"~~ to SCE 5.   
*Appendix "D" pages 6 and 7*



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be requested to despatch the message at Appendix "C" to the Commanding General, United States Forces in Europe.

b. If the above recommendation is approved, the Joint Chiefs of Staff be requested to transmit the message at Appendix "D" to the Commanding General, United States Forces Austria.

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APPENDIX "D"

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CABLE TO CG, USFA

Following is text of telegram S-3796 September 17, 1946 from USFET:

" Reurad WX-89544 of 20th December 1945 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~,  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Subject is emigration from the US Zone of Germany of Soviet Nationals of Mennonite Persuasion.

1. There are in the US Zone of Germany between 5-6000 displaced Soviet Nationals of Mennonite Persuasion, of whom 6-700 are registered for and receiving United Nations displaced persons care and treatment. The majority have not registered because they fear forcible repatriation.

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3. Since the inauguration of the emigration program to the United States, a procedure has been established for exit from the zone for emigration purposes. Persons are not presented to visasing authorities or otherwise documented for emigration purposes until a security screening has taken place, and in cases of emigration to Central and South American countries the approval of the political adviser has been obtained.

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5. On the assumption that the Soviet repatriation mission is likely to continue to protest the emigration of their nationals from the zone, it is requested that authorization be given this headquarters to arrange for the emigration of those Soviet Nationals who leave the Zone under the sponsorship of an accredited agency and who do not, in the opinion of this headquarters, fall within the terms of the Yalta Agreement as being subject to forcible repatriation as per your WX-89544 of 20 December 1945."

~~End.~~

~~FM-IA-309 (4 Oct 46)  
 Supplementary copy of 9M-IN-3419, 18 Sep 46~~

To the above the following reply has been made to USFET:

"Authorization requested in fifth paragraph your No. S-3796 September 17 granted".

Please comment on applicability above to situation existing in Austria.

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October 31, 1946

STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING SUB-COMMITTEE FOR EUROPE

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APPENDIX "D"

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CABLE TO CG, USFA

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DN-11-1909 (1 Oct 45)  
 Supplementary copy of CH-11-1479, 12 Sep 45

To the above the following reply has been made to USFET:

"Authorization requested in fifth paragraph your No. S-3796 September 17 granted".

Please comment on applicability above to situation existing in Austria.

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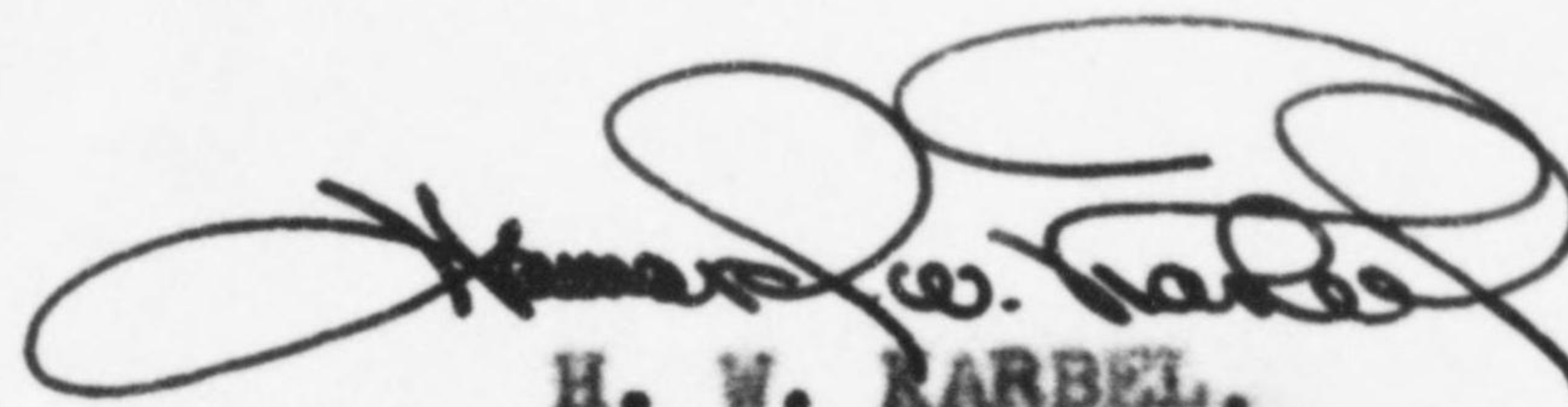
THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

21 October 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE  
WAR MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE  
NAVY MEMBER, EUROPEAN SUBCOMMITTEE

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Acting Secretary  
European Subcommittee

APPROVED: *J. Sinclair*

DATE: 22 October 1946



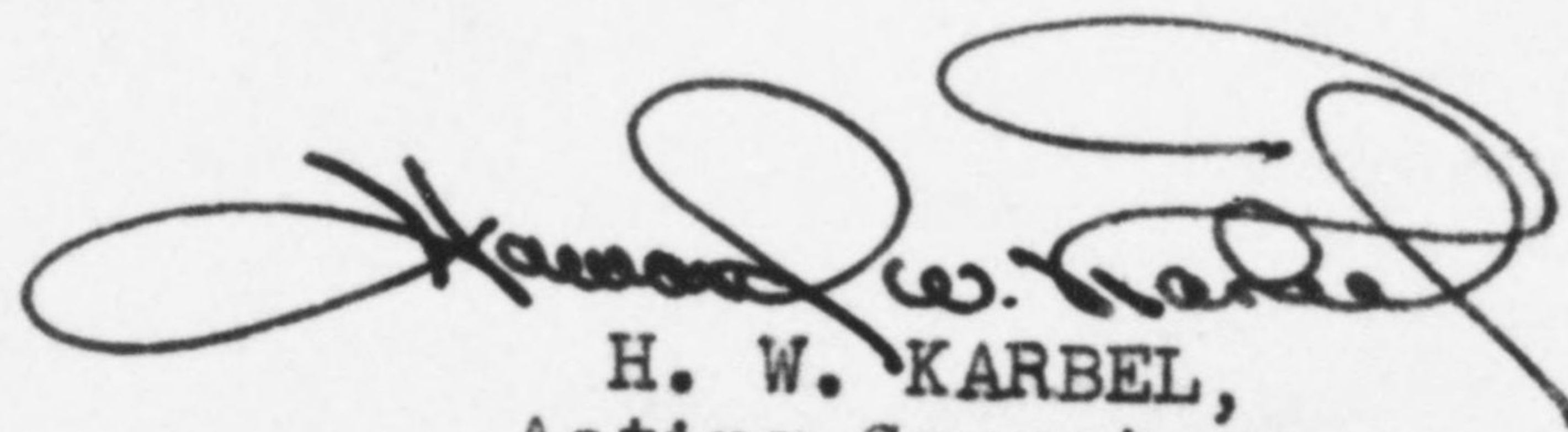
THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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H. W. KARBEL,  
Acting Secretary  
European Subcommittee

EE: R. EJ

APPROVED: H. Freeman Matthews

DATE: 23 Oct.



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21 October 1946

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EMIGRATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF  
ACCREDITED AGENCY FROM THE U.S. ZONE OF GERMANY

- References: a. SWNCC 46/13  
 b. SWNCC 46/14/D

Note by the Secretary

The enclosure, a report by the Working Party in response to the above references, is circulated for consideration by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for Europe.

H. W. KARBEL,  
Acting Secretary,  
European Subcommittee.

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ACCREDITED AGENCY FROM THE U.S. ZONE OF GERMANYReport by the Working Party,  
State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for EuropeTHE PROBLEM

1. To determine whether United States military authorities in Germany may be authorized to arrange for the emigration of those Soviet nationals who desire to leave the U.S. zone under the sponsorship of an accredited agency and who do not fall within the terms of the Yalta Agreement as being subject to forcible repatriation as outlined and later approved in SWNCC 46/8 - Appendix "C".

2. To prepare a draft reply to a telegram dated September 17, 1946, No. S-3796 from the Commanding General, United States Forces, European Theater (CG, USFET) raising this question with particular reference to displaced Soviet nationals of Mennonite persuasion (Enclosure to SWNCC 46/13).

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

3. See Appendix "A"

DISCUSSION

4. See Appendix "B".

CONCLUSION

5. It is concluded that the message at Appendix "C" should be despatched to the Commanding General, United States Forces European Theater.

RECOMMENDATIONS

6. It is recommended that:

- a. after approval by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee the Joint Chiefs of Staff



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be requested to despatch the message at Appendix "C" to the Commanding General, United States Forces in Europe.

b. If the above recommendation is approved, the Joint Chiefs of Staff be requested to transmit the message at Appendix "D" to the Commanding General, United States Forces Austria.



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APPENDIX "A"

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

1. There are in the U.S. Zone of Germany between 5-6000 displaced Soviet Nationals of Mennonite Persuasion, of whom 6-700 are registered for and receiving United Nations displaced persons care and treatment. The majority have not registered because they fear forcible repatriation.

2. The Mennonite Central Committee, an American voluntary agency, has offered to sponsor the emigration of these particular displaced persons at their expense to such countries as Paraguay and Canada, in both of which countries there are successful Mennonite settlements. This agency is currently concluding an administrative contract with UNRRA to work among these people.

3. Since the inauguration of the emigration program to the United States, a procedure has been established for exit from the zone for emigration purposes. Persons are not presented to visaing authorities or otherwise documented for emigration purposes until a security screening has taken place, and in cases of emigration to Central and South American countries the approval of the political adviser has been obtained.



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APPENDIX "B"

DISCUSSION

1. The procedure for handling emigrants from U. S. zone Germany to the United States has already been established.
2. Previous protest of Soviet repatriation mission at USFET led to statement in State Department cable No. 239 dated July 25, 1945 to its immigration liaison office at USFET that persons of Soviet nationality not subject to forcible repatriation were eligible for emigration to the United States.
3. It appears that Commanding General, USFET desires confirmation of procedure already in existence for emigrants in view of expected future Soviet protests.



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APPENDIX "C"

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CABLE TO CG, USFET

Authorization requested in fifth paragraph your no. S-3796  
Sept 17 granted.

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Appendix "C"

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APPENDIX "D"

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CABLE TO CG, USFA

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from USFET:

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"Subject is emigration from the US Zone of Germany of  
Soviet Nationals of Mennonite Persuasion:

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"4. The Soviet repatriation mission, this headquarters,  
recently protested the emigration of certain of their  
nationals to the United States on grounds that they were  
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matter the State Department responded to their immigration



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liaison officer, this headquarters as per State Department's cable number 239 dated 25 July 1945 to Vance from Haering, that persons of Soviet nationality not subject to forcible repatriation were eligible for emigration to the United States.

"5. On the assumption that the Soviet repatriation mission is likely to continue to protest the emigration of their nationals from the zone, it is requested that authorization be given this headquarters to arrange for the emigration of those Soviet nationals who leave the Zone under the sponsorship of an accredited agency and who do not, in the opinion of this headquarters, fall within the terms of the Yalta Agreement as being subject to forcible repatriation as per your WX-89544 of 20 December 1945."

To the above the following reply has been made to USFET:

"Authorization requested in fifth paragraph your No. S-3796 September 17 granted".

Please comment on applicability above to situation existing in Austria.



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STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING SUBCOMMITTEE FOR EUROPE

CORRIGENDUM AND ADDENDUM

TO

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EMIGRATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF  
ACCREDITED AGENCY FROM THE U.S. ZONE OF GERMANY

Note by the Secretary

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H. W. KARBEL,  
Acting Secretary,  
European Subcommittee

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
DIVISION OF <sup>Eastern</sup> EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

October 16, 1946

Mr. Jack Gardner - SWNCC Room 178

Herewith is a draft of papers relating to the meeting of the Working Party, SWNCC Sub-committee for Europe on the problem of the emigration of Soviet nationals from the American zone in Germany. *All members are agreed.*

  
Richard H. Davis

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ACCREDITED AGENCY FROM THE U.S. ZONE OF GERMANYReferences: a. SWNCC 46/13, September 23, 1946  
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FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

3. See Appendix "A"

DISCUSSION

4. See Appendix "B"

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5. The message at Appendix "C" should be despatched to CG, USFET after approval by the State-War-Navy Coordinating

Committee.



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Committee.

6. It is recommended that after the despatch of the above message, a telegram be sent by the War Department, to CG, United States Forces Austria summarizing USFET's cable no. S-3796 September 17 with above reply and requesting comments on position in Austria.



CONCLUSION

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5. It is concluded that the message at Appendix "C" should be despatched to the Commanding General, United States Forces European Theater.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

6. ~~It is recommended~~

~~(a) that the State War-Army Coordinating Committee approved the message at Appendix "C".~~

~~(b) that after approval~~

RECOMMENDATIONS.

OK

6. It is recommended that:

(a) that after approval by the State-War-Army Coordinating Committee the Joint Chiefs of Staff be requested to despatch the message at Appendix "C" to the Commanding General, United States Forces in Europe.

(b) after despatch of the message in Appendix "C" the Joint Chiefs of Staff be requested to transmit a message to the Commanding General, United States Forces Austria summarizing USFET's cable S-3796 dated 17 September 1946 and the message in Appendix "C" with a request for comments on <sup>the</sup> position in Austria.



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APPENDIX "A"

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

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APPENDIX "B"

DISCUSSION

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APPENDIX "C"

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CABLE TO CG, USFET

Authorization requested in fifth paragraph your no.  
S-3796 Sept 17 granted.

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Appendix "C"



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11 October 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Richard Davis, STATE, Steering Member (S-2039)  
Mr. George Warren, STATE (S-2433)  
Colonel Grant, P & O (W-71932) x 2003  
Mr. R. L. Fisher, CAD (W-3127)  
Captain Sinclair, NAVY (N-2773)

Subject: Appointment of a Working Party,  
SWNG Subcommittee for Europe.

1. The State, War, and Navy Departments have designated the above-named individuals as a Working Party on SWNGC 46/13 for preparation of a draft reply to the request contained in paragraph 5 of the message in the enclosure.

2. To expedite the clearance of the draft with the members of the European Subcommittee and other interested agencies within your department, it is requested that the final draft agreed upon by the Working Party, be forwarded to the undersigned for reproduction and distribution.

3. It is further requested that you furnish the names of individuals within your department from whom clearance must be obtained, so that a copy may be furnished that office direct.

4. A copy of SWNGC 46/13 and SWNGC 46/14/D are enclosed herewith.

H. W. KARBEL,  
Acting Secretary,  
European Subcommittee

Enclosures:	<u>46/13</u>	<u>46/14/D</u>	
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8 October 1946

STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

DIRECTIVE

EMIGRATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS OF MENNONITE  
PERSUASION FROM THE U. S. ZONE OF GERMANY  
Reference: SWNCC 46/8

Note by the Secretaries

SWNCC 46/13 is referred to the State-War-Navy Subcommittee for Europe for preparation of a draft reply to the request contained in paragraph 5 of the message in the Enclosure.

A. D. REID

V. L. LOWRANCE

RAYMOND E. COX

Secretariat

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PERSUASION FROM THE U. S. ZONE OF GERMANY

Reference: SWNCC 46/8

Note by the Secretaries

The enclosure, a message from the Commanding General, U.S. Forces, European Theater, to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is circulated to the Committee for information in connection with the above reference.

A. D. REID

V. L. LOWRANCE

RAYMOND E. COX

Secretariat

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To: War Department  
Info: OMGUS attn Ambassador Murphy  
Nr: S-3796

17 September 1946

Reurad WX-89544 of 20th December 1945 (Appendix "C",  
SWNCC 46/8).

Subject is emigration from the US Zone of Germany of Soviet  
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1. There are in the US Zone of Germany between 5-6000 displaced Soviet Nationals of Mennonite Persuasion, of whom 6-700 are registered for and receiving United Nations displaced persons care and treatment. The majority have not registered because they fear forcible repatriation.
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4. The Soviet repatriation mission, this headquarters, recently protested the emigration of certain of their nationals to the United States on grounds that they were subject to forcible repatriation. When queried on the matter the State Department responded to their immigration liaison officer, this headquarters

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as per State Departments cable number 239 dated 25 July 1945 to Vance from Haering, that persons of Soviet nationality not subject to forcible repatriation were eligible for emigration to the United States.

5. On the assumption that the Soviet repatriation mission is likely to continue to protest the emigration of their nationals from the zone, it is requested that authorization be given this headquarters to arrange for the emigration of those Soviet Nationals who leave the Zone under the sponsorship of an accredited agency and who do not, in the opinion of this headquarters, fall within the terms of the Yalta Agreement as being subject to forcible repatriation as per your WX-89544 of 20 December 1945.

End.

CM-IN-809 (4 Oct 46)  
(Supplementary copy of CM-IN-3479, 18 Sep 46)



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STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

CORRIGENDUM

TO

SWNCC 46/13

EMIGRATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS OF MENNONITE  
PERSUASION FROM THE U. S. ZONE OF GERMANY

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