

Reichsministerium für Volksaufklärung und Propaganda, Berlin (Fond 1363)
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Descriptive summary

Title: Reichsministerium für Volksaufklärung und Propaganda, Berlin (Fond 1363)
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digital images

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Languages: German
Yiddish
Hebrew

Scope and content of collection

The collection contains circulars, instructions, directives, minutes of conferences held by Joseph Goebbels, reports, questionnaires, announcements, personnel files of staff, texts and overviews of radio broadcasts, articles, pamphlets, list of German newspapers published in the German occupied territories, clippings on the persecution of Jews in Germany, and documents on hiring personnel for the Nazi Institute for the study of Jewish Question. Included are reports and correspondence relating to the departments of propaganda and radio broadcasts; lists of authors, topics of reports, and a list of foreign anti-Semites to be used as lecturers on the "Jewish question"; a list of foreigners willing to work for German overseas broadcasts; the dispatch of a special reporter to Katyń in April 1943; various clippings from Yiddish and Hebrew newspapers; propaganda brochures on the Freemasons and the "Jewish question," edited by the RSHA; political situation reports on Romania; and news clippings about Germans in Romania.

Note: USHMM Archives holds only selected records.

Administrative Information

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Related materials:

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System of arrangement

Fond 1363 (1933-1945). Opis 1-7, delo 1-646. Selected records arranged in three series: 1. Correspondence with departments of propaganda and radio broadcasts, 1939-1944; 2. Information bulletins on the "Jewish question"; 3. Reports, newspaper clippings, and various records regarding political situation, Freemasons and Jews, 1933-1944.

Note: Microfilm reels: #92-93

Indexing terms

Goebbels, Joseph, 1897-1945.
Germany. Reichsministerium für Volksaufklärung und Propaganda.

World War, 1939-1945--Progaganda, German.
Propaganda, German--History--20th century.
Antisemitism--Germany--20th century.
Polish people--Persecutions--Europe--History--20th century.
Jews--Persecution--Europe--History--20th century.
Katyn Massacre, Ka
Europe--History--20th century.
Germany--Politics and government--1933-1945.
Katyń (Russia)
Poland--History--Occupation, 1939-1945.
Romania--Foreign relations--Germany.
Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)
Correspondence.
Pamphlets.
Questionnaires.
Registers.
Reports.

CONTAINER LIST

Reel 92

Fond 1363, opis 1

- 161 Correspondence with departments of propaganda and radio broadcasts about the work of foreigners in the departments. Access for editors to a report about a trip to eastern countries for gathering information for radio propaganda. List of officials of "Concordia" Society. Lists of authors and topics of reports on the "Jewish question." 1939 - 1944. 223 pp. Folder begins at image 2070

Series of items and reports about German propaganda broadcasts: programs for eastern workers in Germany (1941); memo from German overseas broadcasting about the dispatch of a special reporter to Katyn (April 1943); use of Nazi-friendly East Europeans in Germany for various propaganda purposes, print and radio. List of foreign anti-semites who are used as lecturers about the Jewish question (French, Ukrainian, Danes, Italians, Dutch). List of Reichsbroadcast Organization individuals permitted to listen to foreign broadcasts; mention of Lord Haw-Haw (Joyce) as broadcaster in English service. Salary lists of artists employed by People's Theater, fiscal 1947. Memo from German Shortwave Broadcast director (October 1943) concerning U.S. journalist Donald Day who had submitted two sample commentaries which were so good that they revived the idea of having a transmission for the U.S. Day was a former "Chicago Tribune" chief correspondent in Riga, a well-known anti-Bolshevist who is willing to submit scripts from Finland. Additional lists of radio employees, their duties, etc. List of foreigners willing to work for German overseas broadcasts, including the American William Linge, "a great friend of Germany, extremely industrious, and absolutely dependable." Other American

and British citizens working for German radio: Frank Gleber, Kenneth James, and Charlie Griffiths.

Reel 93

164 Information bulletins on the "Jewish question." no date. 134 pp. Folder begins at image 6

Various items from Yiddish and Hebrew newspapers, published by "World Service," Frankfurt (February 1945). 1944-1945.

164a Information brochures on the Masons and the "Jewish question," edited by the RSHA. no date. 164 pp. Folder begins at image 274

From Chief, Sipo, and SD, information reports on Freemasonry. 1944.

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43 Report regarding political situation in Romania and the national movement. Copy of magazine, "die Politik in Süd-Osten." Includes material on Jews and political parties. July 1933 - February 1934. 162 pp. Folder begins at image 611

News clips, reports, mostly about Germans in Romania and other overseas Germans. 1933-1934.

51 Bulletins of RM for January - April 1937. Hungarian news clippings regarding Jews. January 1937 - July 1944. 197 pp. Folder begins at image 815