Union österreichischer Juden, Wien (Fond 714) Union of Austrian Jews, Vienna RG-11.001M.29

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Descriptive summary

Title:	Union österreichischer Juden, Wien (Fond 714) Union of Austrian Jews, Vienna
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Scope and content of collection

The entire Fond 714, 1903-1938 (134 Dela) contains the Austrian Jewish Union charts for 1903-1937, minutes, correspondence with local Jewish organizations campaigning against antisemitism and fundraising for charitable purposes; circulars on rules for electing boards of Jewish religious communities; accounts of the activities of Jewish religious community of Vienna, 1925-1928; brochures, and issues of the Jewish newspapers "Jűdische Welt", "Jűdische Rundschau", "Die Wahreit", and "Jűdische-liberale Zeitung", as well as issues of the German newspapers "National Zeitung" and "Reichspost", and informational bulletins and journals.

Selected records consists of minutes of the central executive committee of the Union Österreicher Juden as well as name lists of members. Also included is information about the evacuation of Hamburg Jews in July 1942; correspondence, including numerous complaints to the Fatherland Front about anti-Semitic incidents; letters to the mayor of Vienna and to Chancellor Schuschnigg complaining about flyers and ads promoting boycotts of Jewish businesses; a report on the Nuremberg Laws; copies of publications of the Austrian National Jewish Youth; and newspaper clippings.

Note: USHMM Archives holds only selected records.

Administrative Information

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Related materials:

- Fishman, D. E., Kupovetsky, M., Kuzelenkov, V. (ed.), *Nazi-Looted Jewish Archives in Moscow. A guide to Jewish Historical and Cultural Collections in the Russian State Military Archive*. Scranton, 2010
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System of arrangement

Fond 714 (1903-1938). Opis 1-2; Dela 134. Selected records arranged in three series: 1. Name lists of union's members; 2. Correspondence, letters, minutes, and reports of the union, 1935-1942; 3. Documents and newspaper clipping relating to anti-Jewish propaganda, 1937-1938.

Note: Microfilm reels #102-103

Indexing terms

Union Österreichischer Juden. World War 1939-1945--Atrocities--Europe. Jews--Austria--Vienna--History--20th century. Jews--Europe--History--20th century. Jews--Persecution--Europe--History--20th century. Zionism and communism--Europe--20th century. Antisemitism--History--20th cen Austria--Politics and government--20th century. Austria--Ethnic relations. Europe--Politics and government--20th century. Germany--Politics and government--1933-1945. Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.) Correspondence. Minutes. Reports.

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Reel 102

Fond 714, opis 1

5 Name lists of members. Meeting minutes. Information on deportation and anti-Semitism. no date. Page from a Gestapo document dated 1942. Folder begins at image 1522

Deportation of Jews from Hamburg, July 10, 1942. Protocol of meeting of Central Executive Committee of Vienna Jews (June 1937) with complaints to ruling Fatherland Front about anti-Jewish incidents; other reports from Central Executive Committee meetings in 1936. 1936-1942.

4 Name lists of members. Meeting minutes. Information on evacuation and anti-Semitism. no date. Folder begins at image 1604

Reports from 1937 session of executive committee of Union of Austrian Jews, dealing with Jewish activities in Vienna. 1935-1937.

94 Correspondence protesting anti-Jewish propaganda. no date. Folder begins at image 1700

Receipts for unidentified money contributions made in Vienna. Letter exchange about Yiddish translation of play by Arnold Zweig and its performance in Vienna. Letter from Union of Austrian Jews to mayor of Vienna and to state chairman of Fatherland Front about an objectionable public display of an ad "Christian, buy only from Christians." Letter to Austrian chancellor Schuschnigg complaining about city-wide distribution of flyers calling for boycott of Jewish businesses (with facsimile of flyer). Various other communications from Union about boycotts and other anti-Jewish manifestations.

<u>Reel 103</u>

94 (Continued.) Folder begins at image 6

Union of Austrian Jews correspondence about complaints regarding a ritual murder play performance in a Styrian community. Request to secretary general of ruling Fatherland front for a meeting with Union representatives concerning anti-Semitic manifestations in Vienna. Report on Nüremberg Laws. Facsimile of Union of Austrian Jewish publications. Various items concerning Goebbels' decision to remove names of Jews from World War I memorials.

Fond 714, opis 2

3 Meeting minutes. no date. Folder begins at image 230

Session of Union of Austrian Jewish Academicians. 1937.

21 Regarding anti-Jewish propaganda (typescript; newspaper clippings). 1937. Folder begins at image 250

Letter from Fatherland Front state office to Union of Austrian Jews; other correspondence concerning Union charges about Front's encouragement of anti-Semitic manifestations. 1937.

23 Regarding anti-Jewish propaganda (typescript; newspaper clippings). 1938. 313 pages. Folder begins at image 369

More about anti-Semitic slogans in Austria. Facsimile of "Our Signal," monthly of Austrian National Jewish Youth. 1938.