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Related Materials:

USHMM Archives, RG-52.000, Randolph Braham Collection;

USHMM Archives, RG-39.010M, Selected Records of the Hungarian Ministry of Internal Affairs (MOL K 149 BM res.);

Murray Baumgarten, Peter Kenez, Bruce Allan Thompson. Varieties of Antisemitism: History, Ideology, Discourse. Newark: University of Delaware Press, 2009;

R. Braham, ed. The Holocaust: Essays and Documents. New York: Rosenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies, 2009.

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Scope and Content of Collection

The collection contains records relating to Hungarian foreign relations and policies. Includes reports submitted in 1944 by Hungarian diplomatic missions in Arad (Oradea), Bucharest, and Brasov (Brassó) in Romania to the Foreign Ministry in Budapest about incidents concerning Jews; a speech of the priest Áron Márton at St. Michael's Church, May 1944, condemned the prepared deportation of Romanian and Hungarian Jews; also contains Hungarian German press article and clippings.

System of Arrangement

The system of arrangement of the source repository has been preserved in the microfilmed reel. Arranged alphabetically within, the chronological arrangement, by the names of the localities where the reports have originated from.

Indexing Terms

Márton, Áron, 1896-1980
Bárdossy, László, 1890-1946.
Hungary. Külügyminisztérium.
World War, 1939-1945--Jews--Hungary.
Jews--Legal status, laws, etc.--Hungary--20th century.
Diplomatic and consular service, Hungarian--Romania--Arad.
Diplomatic and consular service, Hungarian--Romania--Bukarest.
Diplomatic and consular service, Hungarian--Romania--Braşov.
Antisemitism--History--20th century.
Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Hungary.

Hungary--Politics and government--1918-1945.

Hungary--Foreign relations-1918-1945.

Reports.

Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)

Speeches, addresses, etc.

CONTAINER LIST

Reel 1 of 1 (57 frames)

Reports of the Hungarian Consulate in Arad, Oradea, May-Aug. 1944 Reports of the Hungarian Legation in Bucharest, Jan-July, 1944 Reports of the Hungarian Consulate in Brasov, Brassó, Jan-May, 1944 Speech of the priest Áron Márton at St. Michael's Church, May 1944.

<u>Note:</u> Márton was one of the first intellectuals to openly oppose the preparations for World War II, which he was already doing in 1938. He stayed in southern Transylvania, which remained part of Romania after the Second Vienna Award. In a speech he gave in St. Michael's Church, during a visit to Kolozsvár (Romanian: *Cluj*) in May 1944, he condemned the prepared deportation of Romanian and Hungarian Jews.

A couple of days later, he wrote letters to the Hungarian Government, to the Police and other authorities, requesting the prohibition of the deportation. As a response, Márton was expelled from the city. For his activities during this

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period, he was posthumously awarded the title "Righteous Among the Nations" by the Yad Vashem institute in Israel (in 1999).

German newspaper clippings.