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After the independence of India, Pakistan, and Burma in 1947 and 1948, the Indian Records Section (later the India Office Records) and the India Office Library were administered by the Commonwealth Relations Office, later the Commonwealth Office, and from 1968 by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. In 1982, the India Office Library and Records were placed on deposit with the British Library Board, and the India Office Records have since been administered as public records in the British Library Asia Pacific & Africa Collections. (For a complete history of these records, please see the web site of the British Library (<http://www.bl.uk/collections/iorgenrl.html>))

Scope and Content of Collection

The India Office was the administration in London of the pre-1947 government of India. These files include records relating to immigration and internment policy, individual case files of Jewish refugees to India, and nominal rolls of internees.

System of Arrangement

This collection is arranged thematically.

Indexing Terms

Great Britain. India Office.
India Office Records.
Refugees, Jewish -- India -- History -- 20th century.
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CONTAINER LIST

Reel	Description
1	Alphabetical register of evacuees, refugees and displaced persons in India: 1) British evacuees, the financial responsibility of HMG. 2) Miscellaneous refugees and displaced persons. [NB says for Sponsored Polish refugees' see PRC/D-3]. A-Z listing stating name, evacuated from, date of arrival in India, country sent, date of departure, and remarks (ex., states 'Polish Jew', 'German national'). British Library File #L/AG/401/131-RRO/A-2. 163 pp.

1) End of policy allowing nationalization of aliens as British subjects. 2) Issue of certificates of character and residence in India to be used towards claiming British citizenship elsewhere. 3) Individual cases: Zeichner, Nielsen, Rado, Roman. 4) Policy re refugees having been living in Indian states rather than in British India. British Library File #L/AG/40/1/133/B-19. Sept – Nov 1947. 24 pp.

1) Creation of a list of specialist refugees to help them gain entry to a host country. 2) List of professions to be counted and definition of professions. 3) NR 49 names who might be eligible, names incl. Frankel, Kleinberg, Bernstein and Gutman. 4) NR 23 names with professions, mostly Polish. British Library File #L/AG/40/1/136/D-1. March – July 1947. 48pp.

1) Polish refugees refusing to register as specialists and not willing to leave India; Statter, Frankel, Berghiner (former Russian Jew), Kleinberg. a) RE whether they should be allowed to stay permanently in India. [Frankel came to India on SS Varsova from Tehran on 9 May 1947 there were 13 Jews altogether, none went to Kolhapur (ref: 29/2/46-poll (Evn)]. 2) NR 27 names; 'Polish Refugees who may be allowed to stay in India, with reasons for being allowed to stay'. 3) NR 39 names Polish refugees never in Refugee camps. 4) NR 104 names list of Polish refugees not included in the lists from Provincial Gov't. 5) NR 221 names those having been issued with permits to stay outside Kolhapur camp includes names and addresses. 6) NR 8 names those who should go into the camp, 3 not traceable. 7) NR 14 names Polish Refugees who were in Camps previously, but have been allowed to stay outside temporarily. 8) RE temp permits for those living and working outside of the camp (also in (.../133/B-12)). British Library File #L/AG/40/1/136/D-4. March – July 1947. 31 pp.

Individual case: Mr. Adolf Ettinger: Romanian Jew escaped to India with family in 1941 trying to get to central or south America. British Library File #L/AG/40/1/136/D-7. May – June 1947 12 pp.

Individual case: Mr. Levi Wasserman, Balkan Evacuee (Coimbatore Camp) – British national living in Romania pre-war. Visa for South Africa. Jewish. British Library File #L/AG/40/1/136/F-23. July – Nov 1947 17 pp.

- 2 Evian Conference-intergovernmental conference on refugees. Includes translations of anti-Jewish legislation in Hungary, 1940; notes on Jewish emigration and resettlement of refugees in Kenya, (1938) ; memoranda of instructions for British delegation to the Conference; and notes and statements from the Conference. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/7/2014/3071. July 13, 1938-Apr. 26, 1940. 685 pp.

Settlement of Jewish refugees in India. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2061/3566. July 24, 1938-Sept.20, 1938. 7 pp.

- 3 Openings for German Jew refugees in India. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/7/2321/5818. Nov.23, 1938-Jan. 2, 1939. 15 pp.

Passports and visas for Jews: 1) Report by UK government re policy towards refugees, for publicity in US with stats for financial relief & section on German & Austrian Jews

(Sept '42) (4pp). 2) Policy in colonies re Jewish refugees includes: a) NR 28 German refugees in Istanbul requesting safe haven. b) Re Jewish refugees going to Shanghai. c) NR 44 refugee doctors in Sweden requesting safe haven in India. 3) Liberalization of policy towards refugees being allowed to work, specifically in Shanghai and India. 4) Policy re transit visa's for Jews (June '41). 5) Individual cases re visas to India. 6) Indian policy re internment. 7) Stats re internment (July '40). 8) Summary of Jewish refugee visa requests to India since outbreak of war (1pp). 9) Circular, "Visas for India. Refugees" (March '39). 10) Formation of an Emigration committee for the Jews of Carpatho-Ruthenia. 11) Setting up of financial guarantees for refugees by the Jewish Committee in Bombay ('38). 12) Council of German Jewry lobbying UK Gov't for the relaxation of immigration policy in India. 13) NR 24 names of professional Jews applying for visas for India (Dec '38). British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/7/2334/5907. Dec 1938-1942. 220 pp approx.

Request from Catholic Committee for Refugees from Germany regarding the possibilities of a visa being granted to a German (Austrian) family. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/72346/5959. Dec. 20, 1938-Dec. 23, 1938. 4 pp.

Enquiries regarding emigration of Jewish refugees to India. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/7/2356/44. Aug.38-Jul 17, 1939. 178 pp.

Memorandum regarding position of Jews in various European countries. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/7/2370/113. 5-Jan-39. 8 pp.

Applications of German Jewish refugees for emigration to India on basis of affidavits of support sworn in other countries. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2433/666. Feb. 17, 1939-Apr. 18, 1949. 21 pp.

Arrangements made by BP Mital for settling Jewish refugees near Delhi. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2434/671. Jan. 16, 1939-Feb. 15, 1939. 7 pp.

Settlement of Jewish refugees in British Guiana. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2462/765. Feb. 15, 1939-Sept.22, 1939. 96 pp.

4 Grant of visas for India to Dr. M. Herzberg and Dr. Lisette Apfed, German refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2464/823. Feb. 13, 1939-Oct. 19, 1939. 27 pp.

Grant of visas for India to Mr. I. Mehrer and family (Polish Jews). British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2494/1027. Feb.20, 1939-Sept.6, 1939. 18 pp.

Renewal of visas for India to Dr and Mrs. Josef Moldeuer and their daughter (Austrian Jews) : Individual case file for Dr & Mrs. Josef Moldaver and daughter re visa application. Reapplying for visa as they had been prevented from traveling due to outbreak of war. Visa not renewed. Includes letters of support. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2534/1389. March 1939-Aug. 1940. 12 pp.

Grant of visas to the UK to Mrs. Dora Steinert, Walter Israel Foges, and Otto Berkowitsch, German Jews. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2537/1407. Mar 1, 1939-Feb.3, 1940. 26 pp.

Refusal of visas for India for Max Baum and wife Centa, German Jews. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2542/1459. Apr.5, 1939-Jul 1, 1939. 20 pp.

Refusal of grant of visas for Australia to Dr. and Mrs. M.A. Feld, Austrian Jews resident in India. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2652/2550. Dec. 3, 1938-May 25, 1939. 9 pp.

Cancellation of authority for grant of visas for India to Mr. Robert Heublum and family, German Jewish Refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2854/2578. May 19, 1939-Oct.3, 1939. 11 pp.

5 Grant of visa for India to Mrs. Bedrich Friedrich Teller and child, Czech. Jewish refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/2770/3528. July 17, 1939-Oct. 26, 1939. 32 pp.

Renewal of visas: Frederika Amalia and George Klimt, German Jewish refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3264/5433. Oct. 1939-Mar 1940. 11 pp.

Visas for Otto and Anton Beck, German Jewish refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3318/6114. Nov-Dec 1939. 4 pp.

Posts in India for Czech refugees. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3324/6207. Dec 4-8, 1939. 4 pp.

Validity of visas for India for German Jewish refugees granted before the outbreak of war: 1) Letter from Refugees Committee requesting ruling on validity of visas for India, granted prior to war. 2) Draft reply stating that visas are void. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3328/6250. 12/1/1939. 3 pp.

Visas for India to Kurt Herrmans and his wife, German Jewish refugees in Holland. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3345/6421. Dec 1939-Feb 1940. 8 pp.

Bona fides of German refugees in India, Dr. Hans Fritz Hahndel: A doctor living in India claiming Jewish refugee status. Includes form with extensive background information and letters of support. Suspicion due to membership of the German Club in Calcutta during the late 1930's. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/3385/6898. Dec 1939 – Jan 1940 20pp.

Dr. Felix Mahler and family, Austrian Jewish refugees and internees in India: 1) Reapplication for visa to India, issued after question in Parliament. 2) Re release from internment at Dehra Dun. 3) Grant of visa for son traveling from Scotland to India. 4) Letters of support. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ7/15789/1168. March – Oct 1939. 11 pp.

Treatment of aliens, prisoners of war and civilian internees of India: Treatment of aliens in India on outbreak of war. Internment, classification, trial by military courts, arrival on enemy vessels, clothing, messing, etc. Report on internment camps in India. 1) Aliens in India, Indian Foreigners Ordinance & Order, Enemy Foreigners Order & British measures under Aliens Order, 1920. CZ Nationals - treatment of holders of CZ passports and question of registration under Indian Regulation of Foreigners Act. Order re alien in the Colonies. Application to civilian internees of Prisoner of War Convention 1929. Nominal rolls of internees. Booklet, "Military instruction for the internment of enemy aliens in the event of war, 1939", General Staff India. (50 pp.) Reports re inquiry forms re German nationals in India and Jewish fear/unwillingness to give information. Includes names of individuals, including Hans Jacoby. (See documents #74 & t #78) Policy documents re care of civilian internees & treatment of merchant seamen. Policies regarding POWs and civilians interned abroad. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/30A/101. 1939-42 810 pp.

- 6 Nominal rolls, correspondence: discusses 7 Nazis who will not be released. Memo explaining separation of fascists and non-fascists (including Jews) in Central Internment Camp. (pp. 9-10) Names and reasons for detention of those with Nazi affiliations. Internees and parolees abstract, broken out by Jews and non-Jews, giving total numbers of males and females and including country in which arrested. Does not name individuals. Countries where Jews were arrested included Ceylon, Hong Kong, Iran, Iraq, NEI, India (highest number by far for males - 31), Burma. Total numbers of Jews - M/53, F/9. Not dated. Also by nationality, including Italian, German, Polish, CZ, Romanian, Hungarian Jews, both males and female. (pp. 25-29) Gives total numbers and nationality stats of Wing 2 - "anti-Nazi, anti-fascist wing, including Jews. Expenditures for maintenance of internees. Civil Internment Manual (British Government) Japanese civil internment camp at Deoli/Ajmer. Includes report on camp, numbers, breakout by male/female/children, etc. Policy re photos. Policy re doctors and priests within camps. Administration of camps, includes demographic data by nationality. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/30B/101-101A Part I. 1943-1948. 250 pp.
- 7 Nominal rolls and monthly returns of internees and parolees in India: NR 1459 German internees in the central internment camp, Dehra Dun (41p) (remarks = R, OR, D, OD). Not dated but has 'proposed destination' many listed as Germany. 2) NR 183 Germans in the Parole Centre at Satara – notes are similar to above. 3) NR 1446 German internees in the Central internment camp Dehra Dun with security markings. 4) NR 83 Austrian internees in the central internment camp, Dehra dun. 5) One page abstracts of NR totals by nationality, for those who are unwilling to have their names communicated to their gov't. 6) NR's for those who are unwilling to have their names communicated to their gov't., incl. 'Jewish' & 'no nationality'. 7) NR 37 Bulgarians unwilling to have their names communicated to their government. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/31/Coll 10AA/I/II. (no date) 400 pp.
- 8 Nominal rolls and monthly returns for internees and parolees in India: Release of individuals from internment. 2) Monthly population statements for a) Satara. b) Purandhar. c) Deoli. 3) Re internees willing/unwilling to have names transmitted to their own gov't. 4) Reciprocal arrangement for communicating statistics between

British and German gov't. 5) NR of those who are willing to have names communicated to their gov't.; Italian NR 178, Germans (includes Austrians) NR 173, other NR 47. 6) Those unwilling to allow their names to be communicated to their gov't: German parolees NR140 - no Jewish reference, some missionaries, Italians NR 31, others NR 25. 7) NR 445 Germans willing to have names communicated to gov't –4 Jews listed. 8) Complete lists, with those unwilling for names to go to government crossed out. 9) NR 24 from Iraq with Jewish ref. 10) Ref. to 'history cards' on internees – not included. 11) NR83 crew of the SS Calabria who are interned. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/32/Coll 10AA/I/II. June 1940-Dec 1943. 550 pp.

- 9 Reports on internment camps in India: Whole file consists of Red Cross reports – mostly in French with some correspondence. Reports list nationalities, diet information, diseases, sanitation, entertainment, morale of inmates etc. 1) Report of Premmager / Dehra Dun (April '45) a) lists number by nationality only b) talks about concert given by Germans – no Jewish ref. 2) Satara Camp (Jan 1945) lists by nationalities incl. '*Israelites et autres nationalites*' – 28 total. 3) Purandhar (Feb 1945) '*Israelites et autres nationalites*' – 125. 3) Some reports from 1944 list Jews. 4) Parole Centre, Purandhar established mainly for Jewish refugees- (Oct '43) 81 Jews out of 290 internees. 5) Note about rations scale different for Japanese and Europeans. 6) Premnagar/Dehra Dun report in English with full description of camp. a) Germans, Austrians and Italians non-Nazi's occupy a separate wing. b) Refers to Doctors and Dentists that should be allowed to practice. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/34/Coll 101/10AB. Microfilm IOR neg 31950. May 1942-April 1945. 399pp.

Internees: release and repatriation of Italian and other foreign internees in India: Request from the government of Southern Rhodesia for repatriation of 4336 Italian internees to Poland [?] – no Jewish ref. 3) Whether it will be safe for Italians currently interned in India who deserted in Africa in 1939 to be repatriated. 4) Nominal Rolls for Italians (700 approx.) to be repatriated returning on the *Franconia* sailing from Bombay (Sept '46) a) missionaries b) civilians from Dehra Dun c) Parole center. 5) Repatriation of 200 Chinese from Germany. 6) Concern re repatriation of Germans, Austrians and Italians due to expiry of the Foreigners Act 1940 – if the act is not renewed the internees would have to be released. 7) Nominal Rolls for DP's, Internees and Refugees: a) Nationalities only. b) Lists countries going to. 8) Swiss consulate writing on behalf of repatriated Italians who wish to return to India to work as engineers. 9) Policy regarding treatment of Italian enemy aliens after statement of friendship with Italy (1946). Minutes for meeting at Norfolk House on repatriation of Germans and Austrians (Jan '46) : a) Anxious to repatriate anti-Nazis in order to help with reconstruction. b) Jews from Iraq. c) German Jews should be regarded as stateless persons. 10) Re sending back Jews who previously resided in the colonies. a) 7 from Ceylon. b) One from Hong Kong. 11) Nominal rolls for Italians in: a) Dehra Dun. b) Deoli. c) Satara. d) Purandhar. [no Jewish ref.] 12) Nominal roll for non enemy foreigners in detention in India, states; name, nationality, report; most listed as pro-Nazis including those listed as Jewish. 13) Re whether Persian government will accept back refugees also Iraq, Ceylon, and Aden. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/35/Coll 101/10AC. Nov 1943-July 1948. 352 pp.

Postwar plans for disposal of enemy aliens: Includes: Minutes of the 1st & 2nd meetings of the DP's and Refugees Working Party - goes through situation in British colonies. Re HMG policy towards returning Jews to Germany and Austria and releasing Jews still interned in India a) Various corres. between Gilchrist (London) and Shankar (India). b) Correspondence re Mr. Silverman, MP who made statement in House of Commons (10 Oct '46). c) Correspondence between Eden MP and Attlee re German and Austrian undesirable refugees to be repatriated. d) request from the High Commissioner for Refugees (League of Nations) that no Jews are repatriated. Re responsibility for repatriation of Germans in Australia. Question re current situation re Jews in relation to racial laws. Repatriation of 26 Jews (March 1946). List of non-Japanese from Malaya for repatriation Nominal Roll most listed as known Nazis. German Jews from Iran & Iraq should not be sent back due to negative reports from UK embassies in Tehran and Baghdad. Jewish Relief Assoc. requesting alternative to repatriation and separate center for Jews in India. Draft letter including breakdown of refugees from Germany and Austria including 48 Jews – with comment that it would be 'harsh' to repatriate Jews at the moment. Circular 'The German General Staff & Nazi party Formations'. a) Internment of Nazis outside Germany b) India not suitable. Documents on De-Nazification, arrest, disposal, review and release of security suspects in British Zone. Document re mandatory arrest categories during SHAEF period. Report on Suppression of the German General Staff and Officer Corps (10pp.) Report: Suppression of National Socialist Para military organizations. Correspondence from FO – CO refers to request from US for UK to let 100,000 German Jews into Palestine. Document stating that Bevin does not agree to any German civilians being repatriated unless Nazi sympathizers or volunteers. Nominal Rolls – internees and refugees Jews/non-Jews by country and male/female. Repatriation to Egypt a) list of former German residents sent to East Africa. FO – HO re policy: refugees in UK wishing to now go on to USA. Minutes for FO meeting re repatriation of German Refugees – mentions refugees as Jews. Document: Disposal after the war of enemy aliens in the UK a) policy towards Jews b) recognizes that most will not want to go back to Germany and Austria. c) Lists grounds for being allowed to stay permanently. Table showing German civilians in UK [?] divided into interned (690) and non interned (55,418 'mostly refugees'). Document from CO re revoking of Defense Regulation 18B [?]. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/36. 1946. 778 pp.

Internees: post-war repatriation; repatriation of Germans, Austrians: Internees: Post War Plans for Disposal of Enemy Aliens (Inc. German and Austrian Repatriation from India to Countries of Origin). 101/10/AC - Italians, 101/10/AE - Austrians, 101/10/AF - Bulgarians, Romanians, Hungarians and Yugoslavs. Documents re specific repatriation case of 2 CZs, Mokry & Zeidler, who disembarked at Suez to continue via Naples as ordinary passengers. Discusses case of a Dr. Max Henn (alias Hamburg alias Heimovitch), stateless Jew of German origin who cannot be kept in India "due to his bad police record". Documents re repatriation of 5 refugees to UK for mental reasons. Spreadsheet of German and Austrian internees who are due for repatriation (dated May, 1947), giving their selected destination and previous domicile in Germany/Austria and or address of next of kin in Germany/Austria. Includes A. Joschkowitz, German Jew - only other info that he has left India for Palestine. Includes names of Germans who have left for other countries, including Austria and Argentina. Also Fed Karl Dammann, German half-Jew, from Berlin applying for repatriation to

Germany. (pp. 119 - 125) Memo re Gerbeard Braun and son Arthur, German Jews being repatriated back to Germany, wishing to stop in UK to visit sister. (p. 141) Discusses German internees remaining in Africa (pp/ 142), Intergovernmental Committee on refugees memo re Jewish internees sent to India during the war for safe custody from other countries of temporary asylum, including Iran Iraq, Dutch East Indies, Ceylon and Burma. Status - released upon condition they leave country within a certain time periods under guarantee of Jewish Relief Assoc., Bombay as to their maintenance. A number of these refugees want to emigrate to US. Conditionality of release though is against US visa policy, keeping them free obtaining visa in time and running risk of being compulsory repatriated. Request for Indian government to intervene. (p. 151), Gives monthly population statement of the Central Internment Camps, Dehra Dun, broken out by nationality. (Feb 47 - does not include Jews) Another spreadsheet including names of Joschokowiz and Braun. Notes next to Brauns (Being Jewish they are excluded from the general repatriation. Now they have asked to be returned to Germany.) No date. Memo from Control Office for Germany and Austria discusses repatriation of group of Germans and Austrians, include family named Laser who document identifies as apparently Jewish with remark Lasare (*sic*) are apparently of Jewish origin so you may consider it most sensible to disperse them direct to their homes from Lustrignen. (p. 233) British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/37/Coll 101/10AD/1/2. 1947-1948. 291 pp.

- 11 Internees: Austrian refugees (including Jewish refugees) who wish to return to Austria: Documents concerning British transit visas for those going back to Austria. Includes individual cases. General policy re Austrian repatriation from UK. Nominal roll of Austrian internees arrested in India, Ceylon, Hong Kong, Iraq, Dutch East Indies (most numerous), Persia, Straits Settlements. Discusses Austrians who are in Palestine, but does not refer to them as Jews. Letter concerning Baron Dr. Ehrenfels (an ethnologist) discusses his emigration to India because his anti-Nazi views. Discusses his support for Jews. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/39/Coll 101/10AE. 1946-48. 161 pp.

Internees: repatriation of Bulgarian, Hungarian, Rumanian and Yugoslav nationals:
 Aliens in India: File mostly contains copies of ordinances and bills including;
 1) The Gazette of India (Feb '48) containing 'Foreigners Order, 1948'. 2) Foreigners Amendment Act (1947). 3) Foreigners Act (1946). 4) Travel by air by foreigners during wartime re Foreigners Order (amendment) (1939). 5) The Gazette of India (Sept '39) containing amendments to the Foreigners Order (1939). 6) Re closing of Indian borders to enemy nationals. 7) Arrest and detainment of 1,500 Germans (Sept '39) 8) House of Commons official report (4 Sept '39) questions re: a) Jewish refugees being refused passage through Rumania at request of British government. b) Review of all Germans & Austrians within the UK. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/41/Coll 101/10AF. Aug. 1939-March 1948. 180 pp.

1) SS. Grootekerk carrying 8 German and Austrian refugees with visas for Australia and New Zealand. British government advising Ceylon not to intern them. 2) MV Arendskerkerk with refugees on board who should be allowed to continue to Manila. 3) Report 'Enemy Refugees Traveling in Neutral Ships' by Vice Admiral R. Leatham refers to Jews, also Germans possibly traveling as Jews, also Germans using Jews as agents.

4) Interrogation of refugees on neutral ships. 5) Enemy merchant ships. 6) Re contraband control manual Article 51-54 – incl. categories to be stopped. Removal of enemy aliens from neutral ships calling at colonial ports and neutral destinations. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/62. Dec 1939 – Dec 1941. 52pp.

Enemy aliens in India: number of aliens in India; categories of aliens eligible for release and repatriation: 1) Various correspondence and documents re repatriation of Elisabeth Gruner to Germany – was going to be exchanged in '43. 2) Repatriation of Finnish nationals in general incl. correspondence re specific individuals. 3) Extract from survey of Foreign Intelligence Activities list figures collected by JRA from 1939 – lists 586 refugees by profession. 4) Extract from report by Captain Webb (June '45) stating that not policy of government to encourage Europeans to compete against Indians for employment nor to settle permanently in India. 5) Review of cases of internees and parolees March '45- lists Jews. 6) Nominal Roll of Jewish refugees by name who have been released. 7) Review of Jewish and anti – Nazis refugees still held in Dehra Dun (Dec '43) 8) Security aspect of Jewish refugees in India a) Breakdown of Jews in India in 1943 divided into interned/non-interned, employment, male female, dependents – total 818. 9) Report and breakdown including list for parolees at Purandhar (Jewish) including professions and notes and Satara (Jewish). 10) List of employment of Jews at liberty. 11) List of refugees remaining in parole centers. Above lists requested by Sec. of State. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/67. May 1943-Feb. 1947. 140 pp.

- 12 Proceedings of the Government of Bengal. British Library File #IOR/L/P&J/6/1139. 1912-1940s (*sic*). 760pp.

German civilians and other enemy aliens in India; reciprocal release of British and German internees: 1) Re exchange of Palestinians and Indians in Germany with German nationals in India and Palestine. 2) Departure of women and children enemy aliens in India. 3) Release of interned German and Austrian refugees in India (Sept '39) 4) Aide – memoire from American Embassy a) requests that HMG does not intern civilian enemy aliens. b) Various correspondence regarding memo. 5) Memo from US Embassy re visit to Wulzburg and Bremen camps where British prisoners are being held. 6) Extract from newspaper re release of Indian nationals in Germany a) British think Germany trying to curry favor with India. 7) Document asking Indian gov't to reconsider its internment policy with regard to effecting the treatment of British nationals in Germany. 8) Telegram from Viceroy stating that Jews have been interned not in Bengal owing to mistake. (Oct 1939). 9) Report re the successful internment of enemy aliens in India stats incl. 850 internees including Jews. 10) Document: Treatment of Germans and Austrians in UK a) Not intending to have general policy of internment. 11) Position and welfare of British subjects in Germany. 12) Request from the Jewish Relief Assoc., Bombay suggests that Jewish refugees in India should have certificates stamped with 'refugee from Nazi oppression' as in UK. 13) Circular HO memo for the guidance of persons appointed by the Secretary of State to examine cases of Germans and Austrians. 14) Internment of Germans in Egypt influencing treatment of British in Germany. 15) Circular 'Memorandum on the Treatment of Enemy and Other Aliens in Time of War' (Sept '39). British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/65/Coll 101/12A. Aug-Nov. 1939. 213 pp.

- 13 Enemy aliens in India: personal cases: The file consists of 19 personal cases mostly concerning requests for release from internment in 1941 with a mixture of Jews and non-Jews. Files consist of letters of support, requests from internees, and gov't correspondence. Example names include: Hans Benesch, Klaus Meyer, Dr. Goetz (non Jew), Luise Gompertz (non Jew), Mrs. Philipsborn, Walter Levy, Gert Birmann, Dr. Fritz Thalmessinger and Dr & Mrs Weiner. Also Italians sent to India from US by the Mazzini Society [?]. British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/68/Coll 101/12C. 1941. 639 pp.

Number of enemy aliens interned in India; reparations from India: 1) NR and stats for enemy aliens departed from India, with Jewish ref. 2) Departure notices re individual DPs leaving India, state destination, passport no. and some 'German Jews'. 3) Internment of enemy aliens including women ('40). 4) NR 580 Germans released from internment in April '40 incl Jewish ref. 5) Repatriation of German missionaries, woman and children incl. NR 6) Explanation of results of Aliens Interrogation Committee with stats. 7) Stats for enemy aliens in UK and all other UK territories, colonies, protectorates, mandated territories and India for German government. (Feb '40). British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/69/Coll 101/13A. Jan 1940-Feb 1943. 123 pp.

Destitute enemy aliens: maintenance allowances; ration scales for internees: 1) Cash for Germans leaving India and Indians leaving Germany- policy and procedure re banks. 2) Maximum amount enemy subjects interned in India can withdraw monthly from their accounts. 3) Ration scale (May '40). 4) Four individual cases of internees in India requesting allowances for dependents mostly in the UK – Epstein, Wachsmann, Kallai, & Schweinoester (Italy). 5) General policy re internment with Jewish ref (Sept '39) (3pp). British Library File #IOR/L/PJ/8/70/Coll 101/14A-B. Sept. 1939-July 1941 52pp.

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