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Title: Selected Records from the Foreign Office and Foreign and Commonwealth Office: Embassy and Consulates, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (formerly Russian Empire): General Correspondence (FO 181), 1942 – 1946

Extent: 183 digital images; TIFF. Duplicates. 1 DVD-ROM. Master.

Provenance: There is no correspondence for the period 1921 to 1937. Before the embassy staff were withdrawn in 1918, many post 1908 papers of certain types were destroyed. Another serious loss of embassy archives occurred in 1941 when, with the advance of the German armies, all records, confidential and otherwise, up to and including part of 1941, were burnt by embassy staff before they left for Kuibyshev. In 1941, as German forces advanced, all British embassy staff in Moscow (with the exception of a few personnel) left for Kuibyshev. It was not until 1943 that the embassy was fully staffed again.

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Organization and Arrangement: Arrangement is thematic.

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Scope and Content Note: Contains general correspondence and reports from the British Embassy and Consulates in the former Soviet Union relating to Jews, including liquidation in Riga, the joint allied declaration condemning Nazi atrocities, settlement of Jews in Uzbekistan, and the situation of Jews in Russia.

Inventory:

Embassy & Consulates: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
(formerly Russian Empire): General correspondence:
Kuibyshev: General Correspondence. Jews. 1942
Documents from the British Legation, Riga RE Jewish
liquidation. Correspondence RE joint allied declaration
condemning Nazi atrocities against Jews.
Embassy & Consulates: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
(formerly Russian Empire): General correspondence:
Kuibyshev: Jews.
Embassy & Consulates: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
(formerly Russian Empire): General correspondence: Moscow:
Jews. 1943
Embassy & Consulates: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
(formerly Russian Empire): General correspondence: Moscow:
Jews (2 pts). 1944
Embassy & Consulates: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
(formerly Russian Empire): General correspondence: Moscow:
Jews 1946