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December 14, 1945 Document, Subject: Purchase of Merchandise states: "Aside from perishability it appears that ***there is no basis for legal authorization for sale of [Gold Train] property as requested.***"

This is one of many documents in which the U.S. rejects the idea that the stolen Jewish property is "captured enemy property." If it was what is known as CEM, then the U.S. could have sold the property at any time and for any reason because title to the property would have been with the U.S.

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HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES IN AUSTRIA
REPARATION, DELIVERIES AND RESTITUTION DIVISION
Property Control Branch
APO 777, U. S. Army

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14 December 1945

SUBJECT: Purchase of Merchandise. - *Wien Train*
TO: Army Exchange Officer
United States Forces in Austria
APO 777, U. S. Army

1. Reference your huckslip to Property Control Office, USACA, 6 November 1945, subject "Purchase of Merchandise".

2. Property Control Officer Leud Salzburg advises that he has had an inspection of these goods made by a technician who determined that the property is not deteriorating in storage.

3. Aside from perishability it appears that there is no basis for legal authorization for sale of subject property as requested, at the present time.

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