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June 5, 1946 Note documenting General Tate's instructions: "***There is evidence this property belongs to Hungarian Jews. It will not be used. Must be carefully protected.***"

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FORM NO. 64 (REV. 10-15-61)

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES FORCES IN AUSTRIA

SUBJECT: Use of Items from Property Control Warehouse, Salzburg, for Furnishing Dependents Billets.
Number each message consecutively. Fill in all columns, authenticate message, draw a line across the page just below authentication. Use entire width of page. Use only for inter-office communication.

NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	MESSAGE
1	Exec O USACA Sec	Chief of Staff USAC	5/1/45	<p>Reference your question in above subject the following is submitted:</p> <p>2. The items of household furniture stored in the Property Control Warehouse, Salzburg, that are suitable for use in family billets, i.e., rugs, chaise, silver table service, are part of the contents of a car train which left Hungary in March, 1945.</p> <p>3. Available evidence indicates that the items contained in this car train were removed from Hungary by the Hungarian Nazi Government, and a portion of them may possibly have been taken from Hungarian Jews. A bulk inventory of this property was furnished in reply to WARGOS 89491 inquiring about the possibility of this train being present in the S. Zone. (See Incl. 1).</p> <p>The G-1 Division objects to releasing items from among this lot of goods for use in family billets because of the present policy which will require future restitution.</p> <p>However, if it becomes necessary to release these items for use by the occupation forces, recommend that such release be contingent upon their return of 30 days notice.</p> <p>FOR THE ASST TO DEPUTY US COMMISSIONER: C. L. Boyle C. L. BOYLE Colonel, RA Actg Executive</p> <p>2 Files: WARGOS 89491 2-P-9355</p>

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Handwritten notes:
"Reference your question in above subject the following is submitted:"
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"FOR THE ASST TO DEPUTY US COMMISSIONER: C. L. Boyle, C. L. BOYLE, Colonel, RA, Actg Executive"
"2 Files: WARGOS 89491 2-P-9355"
"This was given to the Jews of M. N. A." (written vertically)

Handwritten notes:
"I recommend that we do NOT touch" (with "NOT" underlined)
"45 6-5-44"
"3" (written on the left margin)