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Child Tracing Section.

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April 18, 1951.

Subject : ANTICOLI, Fiorella,
Born : 18.7.1941
Nationality : Italian.

To : Mr. Leone Anticoli,
V.F. Carletti 8,
Ostiense Roma,
Italy.

Dear Mr. Anticoli,

Further to our letter dated 14.2.1951, we should like to inform you that our I.T.S. Headquarters in Arolsen, was taken over by the Allied High Commission for Germany on April 1, 1951. As a consequence of this our functions are limited to checking our various indices and records only, and no further tracing action will be taken by us.

In dealing with cases similar to yours, we have learnt that Italian children of Jewish religion were most often deported to Poland to the concentration camp Auschwitz, as well as to the sub-camp Birkenau. The survivors of these camps were liberated by the Russians in 1945.

According to information to hand, Prof. Kudriavceff, who was at that time the Chief of the Soviet Government Commission, supervising the concentration camps in the liberated zone, was in possession of the lists of the survivors. A member of the said Commission, a Prof. Epstein, was living in Prague 16, Fibichova 12.

According to reports, a number of the surviving children were removed by the Russians, to the Crimea in Russia, and placed there in Children's sanatoriums. All our attempts to secure copies of the lists of the survivors for our records, have failed.

As the possibility exists that your little daughter was also taken to Auschwitz, we would advise you to apply to the Italian Foreign Office in this connection, asking their assistance in contacting the Soviet authorities through the Italian Consulate in Moscow.

We are awaiting a reply from the Jewish Agency for Palestine in Tel-Aviv, as well as from the Central Committee of Jews in

Poland, in Warsaw, and we shall inform you as soon as news is received.

Kindly notify us when the case is solved, so that we can close our case-file, and please be assured that we are with pleasure at your disposal whenever you wish to contact us.

Very truly yours,
For the Director of I.T.S.

y
Vera Samsonoff, Chief,
Tracing Branch.

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