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German Jewry, 1938-1939.

# COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY

Account for Year Ending 1937





# Central British Fund for German Jewry—Council for German Jewry.

## Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December, 1937.

				COMMITMENTS.							
				PAYMENTS		Outstanding 1st Jan. 1937, less amounts withdrawn in current period.		For Year to 31st Dec. 1937		Outstanding at 1st Jan. 1938.	
				£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<b>TO DISTRIBUTIONS</b>											
<b>GERMANY</b>											
	Zentralausschuss der Deutschen Juden	...	...Emigration from and training in Germany...	22,414	5 7	6,714	5 7	15,700	0 0	—	—
	H. I. C. E. M.	...	...Emigration from Countries other than Germany ...	—	—	—	—	3,000	0 0	3,000	0 0
	Hilfsverein der Juden in Deutschland	...	...Training outside Germany ...	10	0 0	—	—	10	0 0	—	—
<b>PALESTINE</b>											
	Jewish Agency (Central Bureau for Settlement of German Jews in Palestine)	...	...Houses and Equipment for German Colonists ...	51,500	0 0	70,000	0 0	52,000	0 0	70,500	0 0
	-do-	...	...Training for Agriculture ...	16,500	0 0	21,600	0 0	24,000	0 0	29,100	0 0
	-do-	...	...Credits and Social Services ...	15,000	0 0	12,000	0 0	6,000	0 0	3,000	0 0
	-do-	...	...Administration ...	1,000	0 0	—	—	2,800	0 0	1,800	0 0
	Hebrew University, Jerusalem	...	...Employment of German Professors ...	2,200	0 0	2,200	0 0	551	5 0	551	5 0
	Keren Hayesod	...	...	27,889	7 9	9,698	4 9	28,000	0 0	9,808	17 0
	Jewish National Fund...	...	...Purchase of Land ...	17,023	4 11	—	—	17,023	4 11	—	—
	Displaced University Professors	...	...Earmarked Funds ...	75	0 0	24	4 6	62	17 6	12	2 0
<b>ENGLAND</b>											
	Jewish Refugees Committee	...	...Relief of Refugees ...	45,139	9 0	—	—	45,139	9 0	—	—
	Publicity and Investigation	...	...	1,034	2 3	180	15 5	1,000	0 0	146	13 2
	Professional Committee	...	...Academic Grants ...	2,500	0 0	2,000	0 0	2,000	0 0	1,500	0 0
	-do- Expenses	...	...Grant for Expenses ...	150	0 0	—	—	300	0 0	150	0 0
	Society for Protection of Science and Learning (late Academic Assistance Council)	...	...Academic Grants ...	1,000	0 0	1,000	0 0	51	5 0	51	5 0
	International Students Service	...	...Grant ...	500	0 0	500	0 0	—	—	—	—
	Interaid Committee for Children from Germany	...	...-do- ...	200	0 0	—	—	200	0 0	—	—
	Liverpool University	...	...Grants to German Professors ...	241	9 5	—	—	241	9 5	—	—
	Manchester University	...	...-do- ...	100	0 0	—	—	160	0 0	60	0 0
	Specified Cases	...	...Earmarked Funds ...	35	0 0	100	0 0	35	0 0	100	0 0
	West London Synagogue Hospitality Committee	...	...-do- ...	25	0 0	—	—	25	0 0	—	—
	Jewish Board of Guardians (German Refugees Sub-Committee)	...	...-do- ...	71	10 0	—	—	71	10 0	—	—
	Ort Oze...	...	...-do- ...	505	5 2	165	15 11	343	7 2	3	17 11
<b>HOLLAND</b>											
	Stichting Joodsche Arbeid	...	...Vocational Training ...	500	0 0	—	—	500	0 0	—	—
<b>POLAND</b>											
	Mirrerr Yeshivah	...	...Maintenance of Refugee Students	100	0 0	—	—	100	0 0	—	—
<b>JUGO-SLAVIA</b>											
	Relief Committee	...	...Relief of German Refugees ...	—	—	100	0 0	—	—	100	0 0
<b>S. AMERICA</b>											
	Hilfsverein, Buenos Aires	...	...Assistance for Emigrants to South America ...	1,000	0 0	2,000	0 0	—	—	1,000	0 0
	Jewish Settlement, Brazil	...	...Establishing Jewish Families, Earmarked Funds ...	—	—	4,000	0 0	—	—	4,000	0 0
<b>ROUMANIA</b>											
	Roumanian Relief Committee	...	...Relief of German Refugees ...	75	0 0	75	0 0	—	—	—	—
<b>AUSTRIA</b>											
	Fursorge Zentrale, Vienna	...	...Training and migration of German Refugees ...	1,000	0 0	1,000	0 0	—	—	—	—
<b>ITALY</b>											
	Travelling Expenses of Representative	...	...Organisation of Settlements ...	91	3 10	91	3 10	—	—	—	—
<b>BELGIUM</b>											
	Belgian Training Centre	...	...Guarantee ...	—	—	—	—	500	0 0	500	0 0
<b>ESTONIA</b>											
	Dorpat University	...	...Subvention for Salary of Librarian ...	100	0 0	—	—	100	0 0	—	—
	High Commissioner for Refugees	...	...Expenses of Liaison Committee	6	16 0	—	—	6	16 0	—	—
				207,986		133,449		10 0 199,921		4 0 125,384	
<b>TO ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.</b>											
	Rent	...	...	360	0 0						
	Secretaries' and Office Salaries	...	...	2,210	0 1						
	Stationery, Postages, Telephone, etc.	...	...	687	9 8						
	Travelling Expenses	...	...	218	11 11						
	Appeal Expenses	...	...	227	8 2						
	Advertising	...	...	186	18 1						
	Deed Stamps	...	...	58	4 10						
	Audit Expenses	...	...	82	12 3						
	Miscellaneous Expenses	...	...	304	15 4						
				4,336		0 4		212,322		14 3	
<b>BY RECEIPTS</b>											
	Contributions	...	...	83,654	3 1						
	Bank Interest	...	...	298	7 9						
	Income Tax Recovered	...	...	11,544	11 7						
				95,497		2 5					
<b>BY EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER RECEIPTS</b>				£116,825		11 10					



# Balance Sheet 31st December, 1937.

## LIABILITIES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Creditors for Advances ... ..	109,731	6	3			
-do- Sundry Expenses unpaid ...	112	12	3			
				109,843	18	6
Bank Overdraft—N. M. Rothschild & Sons...				61,415	2	2
				£171,259	0	8

## ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Advances—						
Jewish National Fund :—						
Balance as per last Balance Sheet ...	5,261	1	11			
Advances made during the year to						
31st December, 1937 ... ..	5,834	15	1			
						11,095 17 0
Haavara Limited ... ..						24,000 0 0
Liverpool Committee ... ..						29 11 4
Cash at Bank and in Hand ... ..						642 15 5
Income and Expenditure Account—						
Balance as per last Balance Sheet ...	18,665	5	1			
Excess of Expenditure over Income for						
year to 31st December, 1937 ... ..	116,825	11	10			
						135,490 16 11
						£171,259 0 8

NOTES.—(1) No account has been taken in the Balance Sheet of :—

(a) Commitments amounting to £125,384, which were covered by contributions not yet due under period covenants.

(b) Amounts recoverable in respect of Advances (with the exception of the Jewish National Fund, Haavara Ltd., and the Liverpool Committee).

(c) Instalments on period covenants overdue.

(2) There is a contingent liability in respect of Earmarked Funds to the extent of £4,278 9s. 11d.

I have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books and records of the Central British Fund for German Jewry, in which the transactions of the Council for German Jewry are recorded, and with the Minutes of the Executive of the Council. In my opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Council's affairs according to the best of my information, and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the books and records referred to.

Norfolk House,  
Norfolk Street,  
London, W.C.2.

11th, February, 1938

C. H. NATHAN, *Honorary Auditor.*  
*Chartered Accountant.*



C O U N C I L   F O R   G E R M A N   J E W R Y .

F I N A N C I A L   S T A T E M E N T .

- as at -

31st J A N U A R Y , 1 9 3 8 .

Woburn House, W. C. 1.

16th February, 1938.



# C O U N C I L   F O R   G E R M A N   J E W R Y .

## STATEMENT OF COMMITMENTS AND PAYMENTS AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1938

		C o m m i t m e n t s .			
		Payments made in 1938	Outstanding 1.1.1938 less amounts with- drawn in period.	For Period to 31.1.1938	Outstanding as at 31. 1. 1938
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<u>GERMANY</u>					
Zentralausschuss der Deutschen Juden H.I.C.E.M.	Emigration from Germany.	£ 2,500. 0. 0	- - -	5,000. 0. 0	2,500. 0. 0
	Emigration etc. from coun- tries outside Germany	3,000. 0. 0	3,000. 0. 0	- - -	- - -
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<u>PALESTINE</u>					
Jewish Agency (Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews)	Houses and Equipment for German Immigrants	27,000. 0. 0	70,500. 0. 0	- - -	77,400. 0. 0
-ditto-	Training for Agriculture		29,100. 0. 0	- - -	
-ditto-	Credits & Social Services		3,000. 0. 0	- - -	
-ditto-	Administration		1,800. 0. 0	- - -	
Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Employment of German Profsrs.	- - -	551. 5. 0	- - -	551. 5. 0
Keren Hayesod		2,332. 5. 8	9,808.17. 0	- - -	7,476.11. 4
Jewish National Fund	Purchase of Land	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Displaced Univ. Professors	Earmarked Funds	- - -	12. 2. 0	3. 2. 0	15. 4. 0
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<u>ENGLAND</u>					
Jewish Refugees Committee	Relief of Refugees	2,000. 0. 0	- - -	- - -	- - -
Publicity & Investigation	-	76.17. 8	146.13. 2	- - -	69.15. 6
Professional Committee	Academic Grants	- - -	1,500. 0. 0	- - -	1,500. 0. 0
-ditto- Expenses	-	- - -	150. 0. 0	- - -	150. 0. 0
Society for Protection of Science & Learning	-ditto-	- - -	51. 5. 0	- - -	51. 5. 0
(Late Academic Assis.Council)					
Interaid Committee for Children from Germany		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Liverpool University	Grants to German Professors	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Manchester University	-ditto-	- - -	60. 0. 0	- - -	60. 0. 0
Specified Cases	Earmarked Funds	- - -	100. 0. 0	- - -	100. 0. 0
Carried forward		36,909. 3. 4	119,780. 2. 2	5,003. 2. 0	89,874. 0. 10



STATEMENT OF COMMITMENTS AND PAYMENTS AS AT 31st JANUARY 1938.

		. C o m m i t m e n t s .			
		Payments made in 1938	Outstanding 1.1.1938 less amounts with- drawn in period.	For Period to 31. 1.1938	Outstanding as at 31. 1.1938
Brought Forward		£36,909. 3. 4	119,780. 2. 2	5,003. 2. 0	89,874. 0. 10
<u>ENGLAND (Cont.)</u>					
West London Synagogue	Earmarked Funds	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
Hospitality Committee		- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
Jewish Board of Guardians	-ditto-	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
(German Ref.Sub-Committee)	-ditto-	- . - . -	3.17.11	- . - . -	3.17.11
Ort-Oze		- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
Administrative Expenses		281.12. 2	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
<u>HOLLAND</u>					
Stichting Joodsche Arbeid	Vocational Training	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
<u>JUGO-SLAVIA</u>					
Relief Cle. of Jugo-Slavia	Relief of German Refugees	- . - . -	100. 0. 0	- . - . -	100. - . -
<u>SOUTH AMERICA</u>					
Hilfsverein, Buenos Aires	Assistance for Immigrants to South America	500. 0. 0	1,000. 0. 0	- . - . -	500. 0. 0
<u>BELGIAN TRAINING CENTRE</u>					
	Guarantee	- . - . -	500. 0. 0	- . - . -	500. 0. 0
<u>BRAZIL SETTLEMENT</u>					
		- . - . -	4,000. 0. 0	- . - . -	4,000. 0. 0
<u>KENYA</u>					
	Expenses of Survey	210. 1. 0	- . - . -	- . - . -	- . - . -
		£37,900.16. 6	£125,384. 0. 1	£5,003. 2. 0	£94,977.18. 9



# C O U N C I L   F O R   G E R M A N   J E W R Y ,

## STATEMENT OF EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS AND LIABILITIES OF FUND AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1938.

Body for which earmarked	Total Amount	EARMARKED FUNDS	
		Cash received by Council to 31st Jan.1938	Cash paid by Council to 31st Jan.1938
Ort-Oze	2510.18. 1	509. 3. 1	505. 5. 2 *
British Committee	500.10. 0	143. 0. 0	143. 0. 0
Manchester University	1000. 0. 0	660. 0. 0	600. 0. 0 *
Liverpool University	789.13. 0	500. 1. 6	640.12. 9
Academic Assistance Council	700. 0. 0	151. 5. 0	100. 0. 0 *
West London Synagogue	175. 0. 0	50. 0. 0	50. 0. 0
Sassoon Donation	4000. 0. 0	4000. 0. 0	- *
Specified Cases	535.,0. 0	135. 0. 0	35. 0. 0 *
Jewish Medical & Dental Emergency Assn.	545.11. 0	240. 4. 0	225. 0. 0 *
Jewish National Fund, etc.	94437. 1. 8	28707.16. 2	38858. 0. 0
Hebrew University	700. 0. 0	151. 5. 0	100. 0. 0 *
	£105,893.13. 9	£35,247.14. 9	£41,256.17.11

\*) Balance in hand included in statement of liabilities

## LIABILITIES OF FUND AS AT 31st January, 1938.

Liabilities as per Statement attached	...	£94,977.18. 9
Amounts reserved for:		
Keren Hayesod	2 years	£56,000. 0. 0
Refugee Committees	-do-	90,000. 0. 0
Professional Committee	-do-	4,000. 0. 0
Inter-Aid Committee	-do-	1,000. 0. 0
Press & Information	-do-	2,000. 0. 0
Administration	-do-	10,000. 0. 0
		£163,000. 0. 0
Less Amounts paid on account of grants to be voted		2,491.13. 2      160,502. 6.10
Overdraft at Bank 31. 1. 1938		89,320. 8. 6
	TOTAL LIABILITIES 31. 1. 1938	£344,800.14. 1



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CASH POSITION AS AT  
31st JANUARY, 1938.

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS PROMISED (including Income Tax Recoverable)				£765,695.14. 2
Cash Received, 1936	£259,430. 5.1			
Cash Received, 1937	82,277.10.7			
Cash Received, 1938	<u>3,967. 8.6</u>			345,675. 4. 2
Balance to be Received ... ..				<u>£420,020.10. 0</u>
Deduct Earmarked Funds (as per details attached)				£105,893.13.9
Cash Received on account of earmarked funds	<u>35,247.14.9</u>			
Balance of Earmarked Funds to be received				<u>70,645.19. 0</u>
NET AMOUNT AVAILABLE	.....		....	£349,374.11. 0
Add Debts Due				
Haavara Ltd.	£18,000. 0. 0			
Jewish National Fund	10,150. 3.10			
Liverpool	<u>149. -. 3</u>			28,299. 4. 1
Cash at Bank and in hand				<u>402. 5. 0</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES ... ..				£378,076. 0. 1
COMMITMENTS AS PER STATEMENT ATTACHED ... ..				344,800.14. 1
BALANCE UNALLOCATED ... ..				<u>£ 33,275. 6. 0</u>



THE COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY

COPY OF LETTER RECEIVED FROM MR. PAUL GOODMAN

Hatikvah,

The Ridgeway,

Golders Green, N.W.11.

14th February, 1938.

Dear Mr. Stephany,

I would ask you to convey to the Council my appreciation of their decision to consider my application on behalf of Prof. Dr. L. Gulkowitsch, the holder of the Chair of Judaica at the University of Tartu (Dorpat), at their next Meeting.

There are several salient facts which, I earnestly hope, merit the special consideration of the Council.

1. The support of Prof. Gulkowitsch is justified by reason of his having been dismissed in 1933 from the position of Extraordinary Professor at the University of Leipzig, where he had attained such a high position that both the Theological and Philosophical Faculties intervened in his favour, though in vain;

2. He is not only one of many "dismissed" Jewish Professors but a distinguished Jewish scholar, and any subvention given to him would thus likewise be in support of Jewish scholarship;

3. The Chair of Judaica occupied by Prof. Gulkowitsch, who holds the position of Ordinary Professor, is not only unique but is of international importance. The arrangement made by him with the Rabbinical Seminary in Breslau ensures the possibility for its graduates to receive their Doctorate at the Dorpat University since they are excluded from an academic degree in Germany;

4. The Jews of Estonia number fewer than 5,000 souls; and, in any case, the economic condition of the Jews in the Baltic States would not permit even the very modest stipend of £200 being paid out of their own resources. (As it is, they have to provide additional funds incidental to the maintenance of the Chair). In these days of the practical expulsion of the Jews from academic studies in Central and Eastern Europe, the maintenance of the Chair of Judaica is a matter of honour to the Jews as a whole.

In view of the grant of half the stipend by the J.D.C., I feel confident that the other moiety will be contributed by the Council for German Jewry, to whom the Chair owes its financial inception and continued support. Since I visited Dorpat recently, I should be happy to give any further first-hand information that may be required if the Council should express the desire to see me.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) PAUL GOODMAN.



C O U N C I L   F O R   G E R M A N   J E W R Y

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C E N T R A L   J E W I S H   I N F O R M A T I O N   O F F I C E .   A M S T E R D A M .

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The Central Jewish Information Office appeals for a grant towards their budget for the year 1938. It was founded in the autumn of 1933, and commenced its work in the spring of 1934, under Dr. D. Cohen of Amsterdam University. The Institute is supported by more than fifty Organisations, and also a small number of private individuals. The Central British Fund for German Jewry voted a subvention of £500 in 1934.

The essential feature of the work of the Information Office is confidential reports based solely on facts concerning the conditions of the Jews in Germany, and of questions relative to the emigration from Germany. All publications regarding Jewish policy in Germany, documents, brochures, newspaper articles, etc., if sufficiently important are sent to the Organisations interested.

Reports are also published concerning the attitude of the various immigration countries towards the Jews, and special attention is paid by the Information Office to anti-Jewish propaganda going on inside the immigration countries. Useful material is also sent by the Information Office to all suitable newspapers and periodicals. This work is done through intermediaries, and through the same channels information is placed at the disposal of leading official quarters and influential non-Jewish individuals.

The expenses of the Jewish Central Information Office during the year 1937 amounted to £4,200, and the contributions which they received just covered this figure. Out of the total amount received -

£1,500	were collected in Holland,
£ 700	" " " the United States of America,
£ 700	" " " France,
£ 600	" " " Norway, Sweden and Denmark, and
£ 300	in Switzerland.

The remainder was collected in various small amounts from other countries. The contribution received from England in 1937 amounted to £60. It is estimated that the budget for the year of the Central Information Office for 1938 will amount to between £4,500 and £5,000.

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# COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY.

## EMIGRATION STATISTICS.

Details of Emigration of German Jews carried out by various Organisations during the year ended 31st December 1937, with corresponding figures for the year ended 31st December, 1936

<u>COUNTRY OF DESTINATION</u>	<u>EMIGRATING BODY.</u>							
	<u>JEWISH REFUGEES COMMITTEE, LONDON</u>		<u>HICEM COMMITTEES.</u>		<u>FROM GERMANY.</u>		<u>T O T A L</u>	
	<u>1937</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1937</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1937</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1937</u>	<u>1936</u>
<u>EUROPE :</u>								
Belgium ...	8	14	-	1	9	15	17	30
Czechoslovakia..	5	5	-	-	12	36	17	41
Denmark ...	2	3	-	7	84	96	86	106
England ...	-	-	24	-	62	72	86	72
France ...	21	20	56	27	31	18	108	65
Holland ...	24	28	-	3	41	89	65	120
Italy ...	7	13	28	12	96	155	131	180
Norway ...	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2
Poland ...	1	5	-	-	9	-	10	5
Spain ...	1	7	-	10	-	35	1	52
Sweden ...	3	3	-	-	50	27	53	30
Switzerland ...	6	11	-	6	9	17	15	34
Turkey ...	1	-	-	-	9	5	10	5
Yugoslavia ...	4	-	-	-	34	58	38	58
Luxemburg ...	-	-	-	-	9	-	9	-
Other countries.	9	27	26	111	37	111	72	249
<u>BRITISH EMPIRE</u>								
Australia ...	152	2	33	2	115	20	300	24
India ...	3	1	-	-	4	7	7	8
Br. East Africa.	6	1	-	-	12	7	18	8
New Zealand ...	13	6	-	13	2	5	15	24
South Africa....	14	82	8	164	158	1256	180	1502
Canada ...	-	6	3	-	4	2	7	8
<u>NORTH AMERICA</u>								
U.S.A. ...	70	27	172	47	2099	1210	2341	1284
<u>MIDDLE AMERICA</u>								
Total ...	4	4	17	4	35	39	56	47
<u>SOUTH AMERICA</u>								
Argentine ...	8	13	333	509	979	554	1320	1076
Bolivia ...	2	-	3	8	3	4	8	12
Brazil ...	5	25	28	146	324	1001	357	1172
Chile ...	1	4	7	49	33	60	41	113
Colombia ...	30	2	86	36	195	69	311	107
Ecuador ...	14	1	29	7	50	40	93	48
Paraguay ...	-	2	2	234	42	309	44	545
Peru ...	2	-	3	3	24	33	29	36
Uruguay ...	4	1	129	20	240	204	373	225
Venezuela ...	1	-	-	-	11	2	12	2
Other countries.	-	-	8	43	-	-	8	43
<u>OTHER CONTINENTS.</u>								
Africa ...	1	-	-	2	5	11	6	13
Asia ...	1	2	-	5	24	21	25	28
<u>PALESTINE</u> ...	<u>22</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>348</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>1289</u>	<u>3628</u>	<u>1659</u>	<u>4367</u>
<u>TOTAL EMIGRATION :</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>1343</u>	<u>2164</u>	<u>6141</u>	<u>9218</u>	<u>7929</u>	<u>11741</u>
<u>REPATRIATION TO HOME COUNTRIES :</u>	<u>427</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>259</u>	<u>640</u>	<u>2449</u>	<u>1293</u>	<u>2984</u>
<u>TOTAL EMIGRATION AND REPATRIATION :</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>635</u>	<u>1559</u>	<u>2423</u>	<u>6781</u>	<u>11667</u>		