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**United States of America  
and  
Germany**

**Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning final benefits to certain United States nationals who were victims of national socialist measures of persecution (with exchanges of letters). Bonn, 19 September 1995**

**Entry into force:** *19 September 1995 by signature, in accordance with article 5*

**Authentic texts:** *English and German*

**Registration with the Secretariat of the United Nations:** *United States of America, 22 May 2013*

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**États-Unis d'Amérique  
et  
Allemagne**

**Accord entre le Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique et le Gouvernement de la République fédérale d'Allemagne concernant les indemnités finales accordées à certains ressortissants des États-Unis victimes de mesures de persécution national-socialistes (avec échanges de lettres). Bonn, 19 septembre 1995**

**Entrée en vigueur :** *19 septembre 1995 par signature, conformément à l'article 5*

**Textes authentiques :** *anglais et allemand*

**Enregistrement auprès du Secrétariat de l'Organisation des Nations Unies :** *États-Unis d'Amérique, 22 mai 2013*

[ ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS ]

**Agreement**  
**between**  
**the Government of the United States of America**  
**and**  
**the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany**  
**Concerning**  
**Final Benefits to Certain United States Nationals**  
**Who Were Victims of**  
**National Socialist Measures of Persecution**

The Government of the United States of America  
and  
the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

This Agreement shall settle compensation claims by certain United States nationals who suffered loss of liberty or damage to body or health as a result of National Socialist measures of persecution conducted directly against them. This Agreement shall cover only the claims of persons who, at the time of their persecution, were already nationals of the United States of America and who have to date received no compensation from the Federal Republic of Germany. This Agreement shall, inter alia, not cover persons who were subjected to forced labor alone while not being detained in a concentration camp as victims of National Socialist measures of persecution.

Article 2

1. For the prompt settlement of known cases of compensation claims covered by Article 1, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall pay to the Government of the United States of America three million Deutsche Mark within 30 days of the entry into force of this Agreement.

2. For any possible further cases not known at the present moment, both Governments intend to negotiate two years after the entry into force of this Agreement, an additional lump sum payment based on the same criteria as set forth in Article 1 and derived on the same basis as the amount under paragraph 1.

Article 3

The distribution of the amounts referred to in Article 2 to the individual beneficiaries shall be left to the discretion of the Government of the United States of America.

Article 4

1. Upon payment of the amount referred to in paragraph 1 of Article 2, the Government of the United States of America declares all compensation claims against the Federal Republic of Germany by the United States nationals benefiting under that paragraph for damage within the meaning of Article 1 suffered by those nationals to be finally settled.

2. Upon payment of the amount referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 2, the Government of the United States of America declares all compensation claims against the Federal Republic of Germany by United States nationals for damage within the meaning of Article 1 to be finally settled.

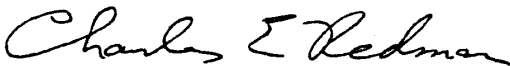
3. A United States national shall benefit from a payment under this Agreement only if that national executes a waiver of all compensation claims within the meaning of Article 1 against the Federal Republic of Germany and against its nationals (including natural and juridical persons). At the request of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Government of the United States of America shall transmit such waivers to the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Article 5


This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature.

Done at Bonn on September 19, 1995, in duplicate in the English and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the  
United States of America



For the Government of the  
Federal Republic of Germany



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The State Secretary  
of the Federal Foreign Office  
503-553 E 2329

Bonn, September 19, 1995

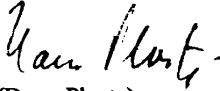
Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement of today's date between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the United States of America concerning final benefits to certain United States nationals who were victims of National Socialist measures of persecution and to state as follows:

Articles 1 and 2 of the Agreement provide for the payment of certain sums by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Government of the United States of America for the benefit of United States nationals who were victims of National Socialist measures of persecution and who, as a result of such measures, suffered loss of liberty or damage to their health.

Any payment by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany under this Agreement will be only for the benefit of United States nationals who were victims of National Socialist measures of persecution by reason of their race, their faith or their ideology.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

  
(Dr. v. Ploetz)

His Excellency  
The Ambassador  
of the United States of America  
Mr. Charles E. Redman  
Bonn