

CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

In re Holocaust Victim Assets Litigation
Case No. CV96-4849

Certified Denial

to Claimant Elisheva Karni
also representing Sara Stalrid and Yigal Karny

Claimed Account Owners: Bela Krausz, Georg Krause, and Ernestine Krausz¹

Claim Number: 003834/HB

This determination is based on the claim of Elisheva Karni (the “Claimant”) to a Swiss bank account potentially owned by Bela Krausz, Georg (Gyorgy, György) Krause (Krausz), and Ernestine Krausz. The CRT did not locate an account belonging to Bela Krausz in the Account History Database prepared pursuant to the investigation of the Independent Committee of Eminent Persons (“ICEP” or “ICEP Investigation”), which identified accounts probably or possibly belonging to Victims of Nazi Persecution, as defined in the Rules Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (the “Rules”).

This Certified Denial is to a Swiss bank account potentially owned by the Claimant’s relatives, Georg Krause and Ernestine Krausz (the “Claimed Account Owners”).

All denials are published. Where a claimant has not requested confidentiality, as in this case, only the name of the bank has been redacted.

Information Provided by the Claimant

The Claimant submitted a claim stating that Georg Krause and Ernestine Krausz, who were Jewish, resided in Hungary. The Claimant also stated that the maiden name of Ernestine Krausz was Deutsch

The CRT’s Investigation

The CRT matched the name of Georg (Gyorgy, György) Krause (Krausz) and Ernestine Krausz to the names of all account owners in the Account History Database and identified accounts belonging to individuals whose names match, or are substantially similar to, the name of the Claimed Account Owners. In doing so, the CRT used advanced name matching systems and computer programs, and considered variations of names, including name variations provided by

¹ The Claimant should note that this determination relates only to the Claim Number and Claimed Account Owners stated above, and that the CRT is aware that the Claimant may have submitted other claims.

Yad Vashem, The Holocaust Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority, in Jerusalem, Israel, to ensure that all possible name matches were identified. However, a close review of the relevant bank records indicated that the information contained therein was inconsistent with the information the Claimant provided regarding the Claimed Account Owners. Accordingly, the CRT was unable to conclude that any of these accounts belonged to the Claimed Account Owners.

The CRT's Analysis

Identification of the Account Owners

The list below contains names of account owners and/or power of attorney holders that match the name of the Claimed Account Owner and the reasons why the CRT has concluded that the Claimed Account Owner and an account owner or a power of attorney holder are not the same person. If an account owner's place of residence was published, that place of residence is also listed.

Name: Georg Krause

Account Identification Number: 6001801

Specifically, the Claimant stated that her relative, Georg Krause, resided in Hungary. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in a different country.

Name: Ernestine Krausz (power of attorney holder)

Account Identification Numbers: 5023970 and 5024325

Specifically, the Claimant stated that the maiden name of her relative, Ernestine Krausz, was Deutsch. In contrast, the records show that the power of attorney holder had a different maiden name.

The Claimant should note that all accounts awarded by the CRT are published upon release on the CRT's website at www.crt-ii.org.

Right of Appeal and Request for Reconsideration

Pursuant to Article 30 of the Rules, the Claimant may appeal this decision or submit a request for reconsideration within ninety (90) days of the date of the letter accompanying this decision.

An appeal must be based upon a plausible suggestion of error regarding the CRT's conclusions set out in this decision. Any appeals which are submitted without a plausible suggestion of error shall be summarily denied. A request for reconsideration must be based on new documentary evidence not previously presented to the CRT that, if considered, would have led to a different outcome of the claim. Claimants should briefly explain the relevance of the newly submitted documents in view of the conclusions stated in the certified decision.

The Claimant should send appeals and/or requests for reconsideration in writing to the following address: Oren Wiener, Claims Resolution Tribunal, Attention: Appeals / Request for

Reconsideration, P.O. Box 9564, 8036 Zurich, Switzerland. If more than one account has been treated in this decision, the Claimant should identify the account, including, where available, the Account Identification Number, that forms the basis of the appeal and/or request for reconsideration.

Scope of the Denial

The CRT now considers the Claimant's claim to the accounts of Bela Krausz, Georg Krause, and Ernestine Krausz closed. Please note that this decision applies only to the Claim Number and Claimed Account Owners identified herein, and that the CRT is aware that the Claimant may have claimed accounts held by other persons or entities both in the Claim Number specified above and in other claims submitted to the CRT.

Certification of the Denial

The CRT certifies this Denial for approval by the Court.

Claims Resolution Tribunal
24 April 2007