CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

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

Certified Denial

to Claimants [REDACTED 1] and [REDACTED 2]

Claimed Account Owners: Jules Levy and Elise Levy[1]

Claim Number: 707920/MG; 707958/MG

This Certified Denial is to the claims of [REDACTED 1] and [REDACTED 2] (the "Claimants") to a Swiss bank account potentially owned by the Claimants' parents, Jules Levy and Elise Levy (the "Claimed Account Owners").

All denials are published, but where a claimant has requested confidentiality, as in this case, the names of the claimant, any relatives of the claimant other than the account owner, and the bank have been redacted.

Information Provided by the Claimant

The Claimants submitted a claim stating that Jules Levy and Elise Levy, who were Jewish, were their parents. During a telephone conversation between the CRT and the Claimants' sister, [REDACTED], who submitted a separate claim, the Claimants' sister explained that her father, who was a cattle dealer, resided before and during the Second World War in Forbach, Charmes (Vosges), Bretagne, Lyon, France and Switzerland, and that he resided in Colmar and Strasbourg only after the Second World War.

The CRT's Investigation

The CRT matched the names of Jules Levy and Elise Levy 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 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

[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.

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 that match the name of the Claimed Account Owners and the reasons why the CRT has concluded that the Claimed Account Owners and an account owner are not the same person. If an account owner's place of residence was published, that place of residence is also listed.

Name: Jules Levy (Strasbourg, France)
Account Identification Numbers: 5032092; 5032093; 5032094; 5032560
Specifically, according to the Claimants' sister, their father, Jules Levy, who was a cattle dealer, resided before and during the Second World War in Forbach, Charmes (Vosges), Bretagne and Lyon, France and that he only moved to Strasbourg after the Second World War. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in Strasbourg many years prior to the end of the Second World War and held a title which is inconsistent with the profession of the Claimants' father.

Name: Jules Levy (Colmar, France)
Account Identification Number: 5032383
Specifically, according to the Claimants' sister, their father, Jules Levy, resided before and during the Second World War in Forbach, Charmes (Vosges), Bretagne and Lyon, France and that he only moved to Colmar after the Second World War. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in Colmar many years prior to the end of the Second World War. In addition, the CRT notes that the account at issue was awarded to another claimant who plausibly identified the account owner and the joint account owner.

Name: Jules Levy (Strasbourg, France)
Account Identification Number: 5032559
Specifically, according to the Claimants' sister, their father, Jules Levy, resided before and during the Second World War in Forbach, Charmes (Vosges), Bretagne and Lyon, France and that he only moved to Strasbourg after the Second World War. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in Strasbourg many years prior to the end of the Second World War.

Name: Elise Levy (Boulogne, France)
Account Identification Number: 4020129
Specifically, according to the Claimants' sister, their mother, Elise Levy, resided before and during the Second World War in Forbach, Charmes (Vosges), Bretagne and Lyon, France. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in Boulogne which is over 500 kilometers from the Claimants' mother's places of residence.

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 Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (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 Jules Levy and Elise Levy 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
29 September 2008