

# CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

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

## **Certified Denial**

to Claimant Julie Antoinette Jones  
represented by Denis Jones

**Claimed Account Owners: Otto Pick, Chane Rachel Frankel, Lea Etta Pick,  
Mariem Frankel, Ozyasz Ber, Regina Pick, Wilhelm Frankel, Mojzesz Frankel,  
and Sara Perl<sup>1</sup>**

Claim Number: 204658/HB

This determination is based on the claim of Julie Antoinette Jones (Pick) (the “Claimant”) to a Swiss bank account potentially owned by Otto Pick, Chane Rachel Frankel, Lea Etta Pick, Mariem Frankel, Ozyasz Ber, Regina Pick, Wilhelm Frankel, Mojzesz Frankel, and Sara Perl. The CRT did not locate an account belonging to Chane Rachel Frankel (Fraenkel, Raps), Lea (Leah, Lotti, Lotte) Etta Pick (Frankel, Fraenkel), Mariem Frankel (Fraenkel, Raps), Ozyasz Ber (Frankel, Fraenkel, Raps), Regina Pick (Dux, Eisner), Wilhelm (Wolf, Leiba) Frankel (Fraenkel), Mojzesz Frankel (Fraenkel, Raps), and Sara Perl (Frankel, Fraenkel, Raps) 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 relative, Otto Pick (the “Claimed Account Owner”).

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 Otto Pick, who was Jewish, was born on 30 March 1892, was married to Lea Etta Pick, and was the owner of several furniture stores and the producer of furniture and spirits in Vienna, Austria.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

## **Information Available from the Austrian State Archive**

By decree on 26 April 1938, the Nazi Regime required all Jews who resided within the Reich, or who were nationals of the Reich, including Austria, and who held assets above a specified level to register all their assets as of 27 April 1938 (the “1938 Census”). In the records of the Austrian State Archive (Archive of the Republic, Finance), there are documents concerning the assets of Otto Pick. These records indicate Otto Pick's date of birth, his academic/professional title and profession and his spouse's name.

## **The CRT’s Investigation**

The CRT matched the name of Otto Pick 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 Owner. 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 regarding the Claimed Account Owner. Accordingly, the CRT was unable to conclude that any of these accounts belonged to the Claimed Account Owner.

## **The CRT’s Analysis**

### Identification of the Account Owner

The list below contains names of account owners 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 are not the same person. If an account owner’s place of residence was published, that place of residence is also listed.

*Name: Otto Pick (Austria)*

*Account Identification Numbers: 1009020; 1009021; 1009022*

*Specifically, the Claimant stated that her relative, Otto Pick, was born on 30 March 1892, was married to Lea Etta Pick, and was the owner of several furniture stores and the producer of furniture and spirits in Vienna. Based on a comparison of information contained in the 1938 Census records concerning Otto Pick and the information contained in the Bank records, the CRT concludes that the person referenced in the 1938 Census records was the account owner. The 1938 Census records indicate that the account owner was born on a different date, had a different profession and was married to a different person. The CRT further notes that the account was awarded to a different claimant who definitely identified the account owner by identifying unpublished information about the account owner including his date of birth, his title and his spouse’s 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](http://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 Otto Pick, Chane Rachel Frankel, Lea Etta Pick, Mariem Frankel, Ozyasz Ber, Regina Pick, Wilhelm Frankel, Mojzesz Frankel, and Sara Perl closed. Please note that this decision applies only to the Claim Number and Claimed Account Owner 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  
12 February 2010