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Germans and the Holocaust – The Decision-Making Process

Translation: CO3 Eichmann's memo on Jewish immigration and the Resettlement of Jews

Handwritten notes by Adolf Eichmann (initialled) from 4.12.1940

The Jewish Question [handwritten note: "Immediate presentation RFSS"]

I. Initial solution of the Jewish question through emigration (through transferring the initiative from the Jewish political organisations to the Security Police and SD).

a) The efforts undertaken until now have yielded the following emigration

from the Old Reich since 1933 341,078 Jews

from the East Mark since 1933 135,547 Jews

from the Protectorate since 1939 25,086 Jews

Total 501,711 Jews

- b) To fund the emigration, foreign currency amounting to around 7 200 000 dollars was raised, which to a large part entered the country through the donation channels of foreign Jewish organisations and the foreign relatives of Jews, and was used for enforcing the emigration.
- c) Decrease in the numbers of Jews through natural decline (in the Old Reich since 1933, in the East Mark since 1938, in the Protectorate since 1939)

overall mortality 70,792

overall births 13,756

mortality surplus 57,036

- d) The total number of Jews still resident in the Reich territory (including the Protectorate) as defined by the Nuremberg Laws, amounts therefore to 315,642 Jews
- II. The final solution of the Jewish question.

Through resettling Jews from the European economic area of the German people to a territory yet to be determined. Within the framework of this project, around *5.8 million Jews* come into consideration.

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