

GERMANS IN GREECE WARNED AGAINST DEPORTATION OF JEWS FROM THE COUNTRY

New York, November 15, 1943 (JTA) -- The Greek Embassy in Washington today informed the World Jewish Congress that the exiled Greek Government in Cairo has made a number of appeals by radio to the people in Greece, asking them to assist their Jewish compatriots in escaping deportation by the German occupation authorities.

Repeated warnings to the German occupation forces against the deportation of Jews from areas in Greece previously held by the Italians have been broadcast from London. Sixteen times a day - and in eleven languages - the British Broadcasting Corporation beamed the following message to occupied Europe:

"Here is a warning to the German occupation forces in Greece. An order has been published extending compulsory registration to Jews in Greece and areas previously held by Italians where until now it has not been applied. Registration has in the past always been the first step to deportation, which was indeed ruthlessly carried out in Salonika, Evros Province, and in Bulgarian-occupied Thrace. There is every reason to believe that the Nazis are planning further barbarities.

"Amidst their own suffering, the people of Greece have repeatedly protested against Nazi persecution of Jews in their own country, and they will, we know, do all in their power, as they have always done, to shelter and protect these helpless victims of fanaticism. Let Nazis pause before perpetrating yet further atrocities and let the German people realize that these atrocities committed in their name merely increases the horror and hatred which Germany brings upon herself by tolerating such barbarism. The hour of reckoning approaches."