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Sir,

Following your letter from last August, I am hereby enclosing a collective letter regarding 43 individual questionnaires, which we have filled out with the persons who demand that their situation be examined.

These people, on whose behalf we intervene, are Romani or nomadic people from Western France, in particular from the Morbihan department. We have met with them on several occasions and above all for outreach programs to inform them of the present case, during which it was necessary to overcome much apprehension before being able to record the sad memories from the period between 1940 and 1945.

As you will see by the questionnaires and on the attached tables, all persons concerned by this case were interned, in most cases many years, in the camp at Montreuil-Bellay, in the Maine-et-Loire department.

To this day, despite our research, it is impossible to establish a direct link between the interment camp and the Swiss banks and their officials engaged in the transactions. However, we have helped these people to fill out the various questionnaires, respecting their individual stories and with the best intents, which we now send to you. We will supply all accompanying information, should this be necessary.

Three important elements need to be brought to your attention:

- 1.) There must be established an official method at your disposal, a document attesting to your receipt of each individual questionnaire.
- 2.) Regarding the means of correspondence, in particular the address to which it is necessary to send the diverse letters. We discussed this with them during our numerous exchanges and they asked if their mail could be sent to the Service des Réseaux d'Accueil. This does not mean that we will exercise any form of control in the exchanges to come, but it must be said that a majority of the people are illiterate and that it is necessary to help them with these letters.
- 3.) Lastly, I would like to bring to your attention the fact that a number of Romani, still living, who were interned at Montreuil-Bellay during the War, but who do not have access to information regarding this case. We cannot leave them aside, but on the contrary, to take all steps necessary to ensure that they benefit from this present course of action.

(Closing)

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p.s.

A copy of this letter has been sent to M. Sejdinov Kurta of Bobigny, France for his information.