

# CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

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

## **Certified Denial**

to Claimant [REDACTED]

**in re Account of Irène Landau**

Claim Number: 209367/SB<sup>1</sup>

This Certified Denial is based on the claim of [REDACTED], née [REDACTED], (the “Claimant”) to the published account of Irène Landau (the “Account Owner”) at the [REDACTED] (the “Bank”).<sup>2</sup>

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 Claimant submitted a Claim Form asserting that her mother, Irene Landau, who was born on 23 February 1898 in Lodz, Poland, and was married to [REDACTED], owned a Swiss bank account. The Claimant stated that her mother, who was Jewish, resided in Lodz from 1933 until 1939. According to the Claimant, in 1939 her mother fled Poland to Sweden and later to France, where she resided for a few months before fleeing to Columbia via Portugal. The Claimant stated that her mother died in 1946 in New Jersey, the United States. The Claimant stated that she was born on 15 February 1934 in Lodz.

### **Information Available in the Bank’s Records**

The CRT notes that the Claimant submitted a claim to an account belonging to her relative, Irene Landau. The auditors who carried out the investigation to identify accounts of Victims of Nazi Persecution pursuant to instructions of the Independent Committee of Eminent Persons (“ICEP”

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<sup>1</sup> The Claimant submitted two additional claims to the accounts of Jan and Irene Landau and Regina Weile, which are registered under the Claim Numbers 209368 and 209369. In separate decisions, the CRT awarded the Claimant these accounts. See *In re Account of Jan Landau and Irene Landau* (approved on 20 May 2004) and *In re Account of Regina Weile* (approved on 6 February 2004).

<sup>2</sup> The CRT notes that the name Irene Landau appears on both the February 2001 published list of accounts determined by the Independent Committee of Eminent Persons (“ICEP”) to be probably or possibly those of Victims of Nazi Persecution (the “ICEP List”) and on the List of Account Owners Published in 2005 (the “2005 List”). As mentioned above, the CRT has previously treated the claim to one of these accounts published on the ICEP List. See *In re Account of Jan Landau and Irene Landau*.

or the “ICEP Investigation”) reported an account whose owner’s name matches that provided by the Claimant. The account is identified below by its Account Identification Number, which is a number assigned to the account by the ICEP auditors for tracking purposes.

#### Account 1010375

The Bank’s records indicate that the Account Owner was Irène Landau. The Bank’s records also indicate the Account Owner’s title, profession, street address, city and country of residence. Furthermore, the Bank’s records indicate the dates of opening and closing of the account at issue.

### **The CRT’s Analysis**

#### Admissibility of the Claim

The CRT has determined that the claim is admissible according to Article 18 of the Rules Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (the “Rules”).

#### Identification of the Account Owner

The CRT concludes that the Claimant has not identified the Account Owner as her relative. Although the name of her mother matches the published name of the Account Owner, the information provided by the Claimant differs materially from the unpublished information about the Account Owner available in the Bank’s records. Specifically, the Claimant stated that her mother was a housewife. In contrast the bank’s records indicate that the Account Owner had a profession and a title, which were not identified by the Claimant. In addition, the Claimant stated that her mother resided in Lodz, Poland from 1933 until 1939. In contrast, the Bank’s records show that at this time the Account Owner resided in another country. Consequently, the CRT is unable to conclude that the Account Owner and the Claimant’s mother are the same person.

#### Right of Appeal

Pursuant to Article 30 of the Rules, the Claimant may appeal this Denial to the Court through the Special Masters within ninety (90) days of the date of the letter accompanying this decision. Appeals should be delivered to the following address: Office of Special Master Michael Bradfield, 51 Louisiana Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001 USA.

The Claimant should send appeals in writing to the above address and should include all reasons for the appeal. If more than one account has been denied in this Certified Denial, the Claimant should identify the Account Identification Number, which forms the basis of the appeal. Appeals submitted without either a plausible suggestion of error or relevant new evidence may be summarily denied.

**Scope of the Denial**

The Claimant should be aware that the CRT will carry out further research on her claim to determine whether an award may be made based upon the information provided by the Claimant or upon information from other sources.

**Certification of the Denial**

The CRT certifies this Denial for approval by the Court.

Claims Resolution Tribunal  
31 December 2005