

# CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

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

## **Certified Denial**

to Claimant [REDACTED]

## **in re Accounts of Ludwig Lichtenstein**

Claim Number: 401522/SB

This Certified Denial is based on the claim of [REDACTED] (the “Claimant”) to the published accounts of two individuals named Ludwig Lichtenstein (“Account Owner 1” and “Account Owner 2”) at the [REDACTED] (the “Bank”).

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 in 2005 asserting that her father, Ludwig Lichtenstein, who was born on 1 February 1931 in Boryslaw (today the Ukraine) and was married to [REDACTED] on 15 June 1962 in Oakland, California, the United States, owned a Swiss bank account. The Claimant stated that her father, who was Jewish, resided in Poland until 1945, when he emigrated to Palestine (today Israel). The Claimant further stated that her father died on 21 October 1990 in Wadenswil, Switzerland. The Claimant indicated that she was born on 24 December 1964 in Berkeley, California, the United States.

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

The CRT notes that the Claimant submitted a claim to an account belonging to her relative, Ludwig Lichtenstein. 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” or the “ICEP Investigation”) reported two accounts whose owners’ names match that provided by the Claimant. Each 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 1010431

The Bank’s records indicate that Account Owner 1 was Ludwig Lichtenstein. The Bank’s

records also indicate Account Owner 1's title and city and country of residence, and the dates of opening and closing of the account at issue.

#### Account 1011726

The Bank's records indicate that Account Owner 2 was Ludwig Lichtenstein. The Bank's records also indicate Account Owner 2's title and city and country of residence, and 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 Owners

As for Account 1010431, the CRT concludes that the Claimant has not identified Account Owner 1 as her relative. Although the name of her father matches the published name of Account Owner 1, the information provided by the Claimant differs materially from the unpublished information about Account Owner 1 available in the Bank's records. Specifically, the Claimant stated that her father was born in 1931 and resided in Poland until 1945. In contrast, the Bank's records show that Account Owner 1 held a professional or academic title when the Claimant's father was an infant and that he resided in another country. Consequently, the CRT is unable to conclude that Account Owner 1 and the Claimant's father are the same person.

As for Account 1011726, the CRT concludes that the Claimant has not identified Account Owner 2 as her relative. Although the name of her father matches the published name of Account Owner 2, the information provided by the Claimant differs materially from the unpublished information about Account Owner 2 available in the Bank's records. Specifically, the Claimant stated that her father was born in 1931 and resided in Poland until 1945. In contrast, the Bank's records show that Account Owner 2 held a professional or academic title when the Claimant's father was still a young child and that he resided in another country. Consequently, the CRT is unable to conclude that Account Owner 2 and the Claimant's father 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  
17 November 2006