

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION
OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

ANNE LIESE LEE, M.D.
3505 White Chapel Road
Norfolk, Virginia

Claim No. CZ-1,639

Decision No. CZ- 318

Under the International Claims Settlement
Act of 1949, as amended

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PROPOSED DECISION

This is a claim in the amount of \$120,000.00 against the Government of Czechoslovakia, under Section 404, Title IV, of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, by ANNE LIESE LEE, a national of the United States by naturalization on November 25, 1942.

The claim is based on the nationalization or other taking by the Government of Czechoslovakia of certain real and personal property.

Real Property

The record discloses that claimant's father, Paul Neubauer, owned a dwelling house and garden situated in Teplice, Czechoslovakia, designated on the local land records as parcel Nos. 257/19 and 1750 (the house bearing Number 1981); that said real property was taken by the Government of Czechoslovakia, without compensation, on October 17, 1952; that claimant's aforesaid father and her mother died during World War II, and that claimant herein as their only child and sole heir, inherited said real property.

Claimant "estimates" the value of the aforementioned real property as 3,000,000 crowns or \$100,000. She has submitted no appraisal or other evidence in corroboration thereof. Based on the record, and on available information as to values of real property generally in Czechoslovakia, the Commission finds that the real property, subject of the instant claim,

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was worth 1,000,000 Czech crowns at the time of taking thereof. The extract of the land register covering said real property, dated March 15, 1959, lists a mortgage obligation of 100,000 crowns. Claimant states that "it is to be assumed" that this mortgage was paid in installments from 1932 to 1938. However, she has submitted no evidence to support such assumption. Absent such evidence, the Commission finds that the value of claimant's net equity in the real property, when taken, was 900,000 crowns which is equivalent to \$18,000.00, based on the rate of exchange prevailing in 1952 - that is 50 Czech crowns to the dollar. Accordingly, the Commission determines that claimant is entitled to an award for the real property in the principal amount of \$18,000.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 6% from October 17, 1952, the date of taking to August 8, 1958, the effective date of the Act.

Personal Property

Claimant has submitted no evidence to sustain her claim that the Government of Czechoslovakia nationalized or otherwise took any of the personal property, subject of this claim. Such property consisted of furniture, furnishings, accessories, equipment, etc., all presumably contained in the house mentioned above. Moreover, it appears from correspondence which claimant and her representative addressed to the U. S. Consul General at Prague in 1946, that such personal property was or may have been taken or destroyed by the German Nazis. Accordingly, the claim based on the loss of personal property must be and hereby is disallowed.

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Pursuant to the provisions of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, an award is hereby made to ANNE LIESE LEE in the principal amount of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00), plus

interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from October 17, 1952 to August 8, 1958, the effective date of the Act, in the amount of Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-three Dollars (\$6,273.00), in the total amount of Twenty-four Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-three Dollars (\$24,273.00).

Dated at Washington, D. C.

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BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

Francis T. Masterson

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Clerk of the Commission

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THIS DECISION WAS ENTERED AS THE COMMISSION'S
FINAL DECISION ON

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Clerk of the Commission