

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

JOHN GEORGE SENTONAS  
Apollona, Rhodes  
Dodecanese Islands, Greece

Claim No. IT-10,320

Decision No. IT-206

Under the International Claims Settlement  
Act of 1949, as amended

GPO 16-72126-1

FINAL DECISION

The Commission issued its Proposed Decision on this claim on March 13, 1957, a certified copy of which was duly served upon the claimant. No objections or request for a hearing having been filed within twenty days after such service and general notice of the Proposed Decision having been given by posting for thirty days, it is

ORDERED that such Proposed Decision be and the same is hereby entered as the Final Decision on this claim.

Washington 25, D. C.

MAY 22 1957

*Whitney Gilliland*

*Henry S. Clay*

COMMISSIONERS

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

---

In the Matter of the Claim of	:	
	:	
JOHN GEORGE SENTONAS	:	
Apollona, Rhodes	:	Claim No. IT-10,320
Dodecanese, Greece	:	
	:	Decision No. IT-206
Under Section 304 of the International	:	
Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended	:	

---

PROPOSED DECISION

This is a claim against the Government of Italy under Section 304 of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended.

Section 304 of the aforesaid Act provides for the receipt and determination by the Commission, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding and applicable substantive law, including international law, of the validity and amounts of claims of nationals of the United States against the Government of Italy, arising out of the war in which Italy was engaged from June 10, 1940 to September 15, 1947, and with respect to which provision was not made in the treaty of peace with Italy.

The claimant herein asks compensation for damages to or loss of property during World War II on the Island of Rhodes, one of the Dodecanese Islands. The claimant alleges that he became a citizen of the United States on May 24, 1918 in Suffolk County, New York. The records of the Commission disclose that the claimant's citizenship was cancelled on July 28, 1936 for the reason that he had established a permanent residence on the Island of Rhodes within five years after being admitted to citizenship.

6/6  
BE

Under a well established principle of international law, eligibility for compensation requires that the property which was the subject of damage or loss must have been owned by a United States national at the time the damage or loss occurred and that the claim arising as a result of such damage or loss, must have been continuously owned thereafter by a United States national or nationals.

The Commission's records disclose that the claimant was not a national of the United States at the time the loss or damage to his property occurred.

It is therefore concluded, for the reason heretofore recited, that this claim should be and is hereby denied.

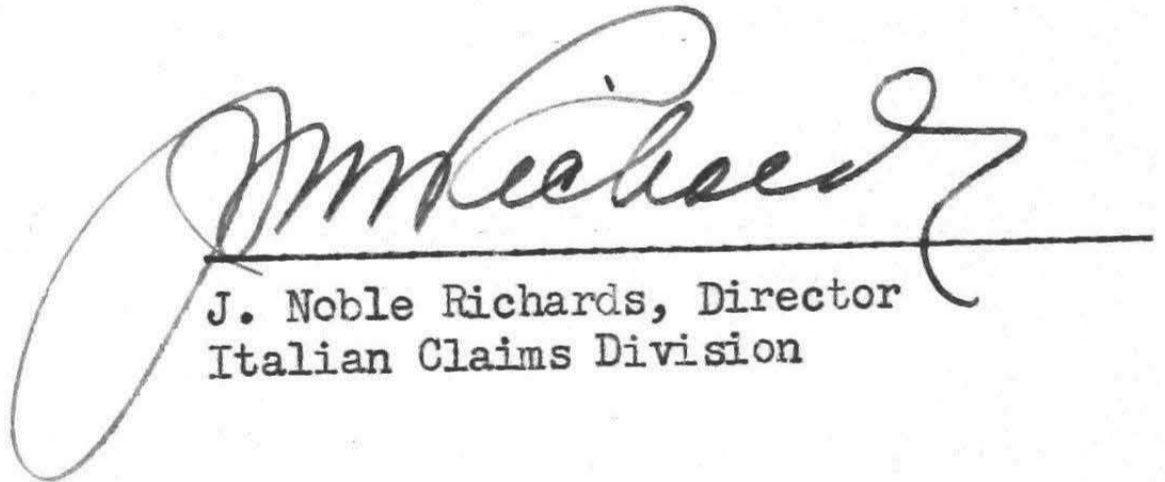
Other elements bearing upon eligibility have not been considered.

Dated at Washington, D. C.

957

MAR 13 1967

FOR THE COMMISSION:



J. Noble Richards, Director  
Italian Claims Division