

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

ARTHUR JOSEPH MENSCHER
Coudersport, Pennsylvania

Claim No. BUL-1,030

Decision No. BUL-191

Under the International Claims Settlement
Act of 1949, as amended

GPO 16-72126-1

PROPOSED DECISION

This is a claim against the Government of Bulgaria under Section 303(3) of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, based upon the alleged ownership of a bond of the issue known as Kingdom of Bulgaria 7% Settlement Loan 1926, as to which the Government of Bulgaria has not fulfilled its contractual obligations.

Section 303(3) of the Act authorizes the Commission to receive and determine, among other claims, those based on the failure of the Government of Bulgaria to--

meet obligations expressed in currency of the United States arising out of contractual or other rights acquired by nationals of the United States prior to April 24, 1941, in the case of Bulgaria,....and which became payable prior to September 15, 1947.

Claimant has failed to submit evidence sufficient to form the basis for findings by the Commission of facts essential to an award under Section 303(3) of the Act, or to respond to suggestions of the Commission regarding the production of such evidence.

Section 531.6(d) of the Commission's Regulations (43 C.F.R. Supp.290) provides that--

The claimant shall be the moving party, and shall have the burden of proof on all issues involved in the determination of his claim.

Claimant herein has not established with respect to this claim that the Government of Bulgaria has failed to meet obligations expressed in currency of the United States arising out of contractual or other rights

acquired by a national of the United States prior to April 24, 1941,
and payable prior to September 15, 1947. Accordingly, the claim is
hereby denied.

Dated at Washington, D.C.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

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Donald G. Benn
Donald G. Benn, Director
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