

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

ESTHER DE BUZNA
349 Conklin Avenue
Binghamton, New York

Claim No. HUNG-20,650

Decision No. HUNG-2032

Against the Government of Hungary
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 30, 1959**, a copy of which was duly served upon the claimant(**X**). 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.

Dated at Washington, D. C.

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PROPOSED DECISION

This is a claim against the Government of Hungary under Section 303, Title III, of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, for alleged losses suffered in Hungary during World War II.

Section 312 of Title III of the Act provides:

No award shall be made under this title to or for the benefit of any person who voluntarily, knowingly, and without duress, gave aid to...or in any manner served any government hostile to the United States during World War II....

The Commission finds that in December 1943, while a resident of Hungary, the claimant herein voluntarily, knowingly, and without duress entered into a partnership by investing 2,000,000 gold pengo in a Hungarian enterprise which utilized the invested funds in the purchase of heavy machinery and equipment which it then employed in construction projects aiding and serving the Government of Hungary while that Government was an enemy of the United States.

Accordingly, the Commission concludes that the above-quoted section precludes the making of an award to the claimant under Title III of the Act, and the claim is hereby denied.

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The Commission finds it unnecessary to make determinations with respect to other elements of the claim.

Dated at Washington, D. C.

MAR 30 1959

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William Barrett

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