

COMMENT

POR 0001-064

São Paulo, November 16, 1999

Dear Notice Administrator,

I received the requested questionnaire on 11/8/99, and for this reason, I returned it the very next day, the delay must be due to the mail service. Concerning the request for opinions and manifestation in the subject which concerns the division of the amount that the defendants will put at the disposal of the subjects (Victims), I shall be so bold as to express my opinion. In the first place it is necessary to verify that the amount will be sufficient for all those who are qualified (subjects). In the second place the distribution ought to follow criteria which are based on the primary needs of the subjects, such as, physical disabilities, illnesses of any kind, persons of advanced age, retirees, persons who live as tenants, in short, persons who are really in need so as to alleviate their suffering for whatever remains of their lives, and then the distribution process should care for those who are less needy, in order to thus provide for a minimum of justice and respect for those who have already suffered so much. In the third place, concerning the requirements for proving facts which took place over sixty years ago, the same requirements should be applied as were applied when the nazi government made deposits of diverse financial assets, art objects and other valuables, the origin of which was the systematic plundering among other types of imaginable violations, committed against the human race, especially the subjects of this litigation. The defendants ought to be asked if they know how many gold teeth it takes to make a Kilo bar of gold. Are the defendants aware that it is a crime to accept objects, the honest origin of which cannot be proven, and that conspiracy and aiding and abetting in a criminal act may lead to a Nuremberg-style trial? Concerning crimes against humanity, they cannot be subject to a statute of limitations, considering their grave nature. The greatest proof of which is the lateness of the pain of their conscience which must be weighing upon the minds of the defendants, not because of the lack of morals in this case, but much more because of the vulnerability of the victims, the subjects, than by the pseudo-neutrality which, in reality, never existed, the proof is in the coffers of the banks, in which inquiry and general and proper auditing has never been permitted, which, in other circumstances, would have been normal, but not in the present case, since all this belongs to a black part of human history, as well as proof which has been lost, such as human lives which were lost and of which only remain bitter-sweet memories, and leaving the victims with only the admiration of some and the discrimination of others, and the residue of a symbolic indemnification to soothe consciences, and by which they are to resume whatever is left of their lives, of a suffered existence, many of the facts of which have not yet been fully understood. If requested, I will be happy to write more, with my cordial greeting.

Sincerely,

Gerhard E.