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Refugee Section

December 9, 1943

TO : Thomas Pym Cope, Regional Chief, APO 759  
FROM : A.L. Frechette, Chief, Welfare Section, APO 534  
SUBJECT : J.A.F.R.C. Funds  
ATTENTION : R.W. Johnson

This refers to your memorandum of December 2, 1943 regarding "Spanish Funds" with which you attached a copy of the accounts of the Spanish Amicale in your city for November, 1943. In this connection please refer to our memorandum of December 7, 1943 regarding the subject.

We believe that the form of these accounts will prove quite satisfactory, and agree that it is not necessary to have you send the actual receipts from your office to ours.

In going over the individual disbursements we have noted that of Frs 660.-- made on November 23, 1943, against receipt # 8, for : "Paiement facture no. 4675 et 5011 de l'hopital Jules Colombani au nom de Juan Gandolfo". Mr. G. Schmidt reminds us of the possibility of obtaining "certificats d'indigence" at the Services Municipaux for individuals who may not be in a position to pay hospital services. It is suggested that the Amicale might have made an arrangement of that sort in this case.

Mr. Kimberland recalls an instance when Mme. Benatar and he rushed a refugee directly from the Ain Sebaa Center to the Jules Colombani Hospital. Immediately upon their arrival the question of possible payment arose, and Mme. Benatar and Mr. Kimberland saw the director of the hospital. Mme. Benatar gave her guarantee for any charges incurred pending the procurement of a certificat d'indigence. It may be that Messrs. Johnson and M. Astoreca might find it desirable to pay a visit to the same hospital director in order to arrange for the privilege of immediate treatment for refugees should this ever be necessary before it is possible to obtain a certificat d'indigence. Mr. Kimberland does not recall the hospital director's name, but G.S. says that Mme. Surlesu knows him very well.

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