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the Department of State
Relating to
Political Relations
Between the United States
and Austria-Hungary
and Hungary, 1921-1929,
and
Between Austria-Hungary
and Hungary
and Hungary

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RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE RELATING TO POLITICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND HUNGARY, 1921-29

On the single roll of this microfilm publication are reproduced the records from the decimal file of the Department of State, 1910-29, that relate to political relations between the United States and Austria-Hungary and Hungary, 1921-29. Some of the records before 1921 may be found in the series titled Political Relations Between the United States and Austria-Hungary and Austria, 1910-29 (Microcopy 696). The records, consisting of bound volumes and unbound documents, are mostly instructions to and despatches from diplomatic and consular officials. From 1921 until the establishment of diplomatic relations with Hungary in 1922 despatches were sent by the U.S. Commissioner to that country; the despatches are often accompanied by enclosures. Also included in these records are notes between the Department of State and foreign diplomatic representatives in the United States, memoranda prepared by officials of the Department, and correspondence with officials of other Government departments and with private firms and persons. The Lists of Documents or "purport sheets" reproduced at the beginning of this roll give brief abstracts of the documents reproduced in this microcopy and serve as a finding aid to the documents themselves. The arrangement of the entries on these lists generally corresponds to the arrangement of the documents in the file.

From 1910 to 1963 the Department of State used a decimal system for its central files, assembling and arranging individual documents according to subject and assigning decimal file numbers. The decimal file consists of nine primary classes numbered 0 through 8, each covering a broad subject area. The records reproduced in this microcopy are in Class 7, Political Relations of States. The country numbers assigned to the United States and to Hungary are 11 and 64, respectively. Thus the documents bear the file number 711.64 and concern political relations between the United States and Hungary. Because Hungary was part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire until 1919, records filed under the country number assigned to Hungary also include some records for Austria-Hungary before 1919.

When one or more digits follow the second country number, they represent a specific subject. This number, in turn, may be followed by a slant mark (/). In such cases the numbers after the slant mark were assigned to individual documents as they were accumulated on a specific subject. For example, a decimal file number taken from a document reproduced in this microcopy is 711.6421/3. The number 21 following the country number for Hungary (64) signifies that the subject is consular functions, and the number after the slant mark indicates the number of documents on this subject.

The documents under one subject classification are generally in chronological order, coinciding with the document number assigned

(which follows the slant mark). There are instances, however, when a document file number was not assigned until a date considerably later than the one on which the document was received.

Cross-reference sheets referring to related records under other subject classifications in the decimal file have been reproduced as they occur, and appropriate cross-reference notations appear in the Lists of Documents. Other cross-reference notations are to documents in the "numerical file," a system used for the central files of the Department of State for the period 1906-10. The checkmarks that appear by most entries in the left-hand column of the Lists of Documents indicate that the papers are in the file; entries without marks, it is believed, refer to documents that were not among the records when they were received from the Department of State.

Some of the documents that have been checked in the Lists of Documents do not appear in this microcopy. The file contains security-classified documents and communications received from and classified by foreign governments and Federal agencies, in addition to those classified by the Department of State. Documents that have not been declassified are not available as part of this microcopy. The National Archives and Records Service does not have authority to make reproductions of such documents available to searchers.

The largest group of records reproduced in this microcopy concerns negotiations for a treaty of peace between the United States and Hungary. There are also many records concerning negotiations for treaties of arbitration and conciliation. Other records relate to negotiations for a treaty renouncing war and for a treaty of friendship, commerce, and consular rights. In addition there are letters and telegrams from Hungarian-Americans making strong pleas to obtain a revision of the Treaty of Trianon.

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In the same record group are several diplomatic correspondence series containing additional documents on relations between Austria-Hungary and Hungary and the United States. They are copies of instructions from the Department of State to U.S. Ministers to Austria, 1837-1906 (Rolls 13-16 of Microcopy 77); notes to the Austrian Legation in the United States from the Department, 1853-1906 (Rolls 2-4 of Microcopy 99); despatches from U.S. Ministers to Austria to the Department, 1838-1906 (Microcopy T-157); and notes from the Austrian Legation in the United States to the Department, 1820-1906 (Microcopy 48). Also related to matters concerning Austria-Hungary and Hungary are communications to special agents of the United States from the Department, 1852-86 (Rolls 152 and 154 of Microcopy 77).

There are also microfilm publications available on despatches from U.S. consular officials at Budapest, 1876-1906 (Microcopy T-531),

and Vienna, 1830-1906 (Microcopy T-243). Complementary to the despatches are instructions to consuls.

The method of arranging the diplomatic and consular series cited above was discontinued in 1906, when the Department of State adopted the practice of filing incoming and outgoing correspondence, memoranda, and other documents by subject in a single numerical series. Information on documents relating to Austria-Hungary and Hungary for the 1906-10 period may be found through the use of card indexes and Lists of Documents in the National Archives.

Among the records in the same record group in the Department of State decimal file, 1910-29, are three other series regarding Austro-Hungarian and Hungarian affairs that are closely related to the records reproduced in this microcopy. Two of the series are in Class 7: one concerns political relations between Austria-Hungary and Hungary and Other States, 1920-29 (Microcopy 710), and the other, which pertains to political relations between Austria-Hungary and Serbia, is reproduced as Records of the Department of State Relating to World War I and Its Termination, 1914-29 (Microcopy 617, 518 rolls). The third series is in Class 8 and relates to internal affairs of Austria-Hungary and Hungary, 1912-29 (Microcopy 708). Also reproduced on microfilm are three related series concerning Austria-Hungary and Austria, 1910-29: internal affairs (Microcopy 695); political relations with the United States (Microcopy 696); and political relations with other states (Microcopy 697).

Additional documents are in the remaining classes of the Department of State decimal file as follows:

Class O. General. Miscellaneous.

Class 1. Administration, Government of the United States.

Class 2. Extradition.

Class 3. Protection of Interests.

Class 4. Claims.

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Multi-lateral Treaties. League of Nations.

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Commercial and Trade Agreements.

In Record Group 84, Records of the Foreign Service Posts of the Department of State, are records originally kept at U.S. diplomatic and consular posts. Among these are records of the U.S. Legation (later Embassy) in Austria-Hungary, 1837-1919, and in Hungary, 1920-35; and of the consular post in Budapest, 1862-1935.

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Record Group 256, Records of the American Commission to Negotiate Peace.

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File Number and Description

LISTS OF DOCUMENTS

711.64 - 711.6421/3
Brief abstracts that serve as a finding aid to the documents.

DOCUMENTS

RELATIONS; BILATERAL TREATIES BETWEEN

THE UNITED STATES AND AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND HUNGARY

General Relations

711.64/0-11

Jan. 27, 1921-June 13, 1929

Political Relations

711.64119 - 711.64119P81/1

Termination of war; peace treaty between the United States and Hungary; Hungarian-Americans appealing for support to obtain a revision of the Treaty of Trianon; popular comment on the termination of war and on the peace treaty.

Arbitration, conciliation 711.6412A/1 - 711.6412Anti-war/25

Negotiations for treaties of arbitration and conciliation, 1928-29; candidates for membership in the Conciliation Commission; negotiations for Hungarian adherence to the Kellogg-Briand Treaty.

<u>Commerce</u> 711.6421/3

Negotiations for a treaty of friendship, commerce, and consular rights between the United States and Hungary, 1923-25; consular functions.

The price of the single roll of film in Microcopy 709 is \$7.



RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE RELATING TO POLITICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND HUNGARY AND OTHER STATES 1920-29

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When two country numbers are used in a single file number, the lower number is the controlling one and precedes the decimal point; the number after the decimal point must be higher. Most of the documents reproduced in this microcopy concern relations between Hungary and those countries assigned a number higher than 64. Documents on relations between Hungary and other countries having a number lower than 64 would be among records for the other country; for example, those on relations between Hungary (64) and Germany (62) would be filed under 762.64. Documents relating to Hungarian relations with other countries in general, however, are filed under 764.00 and are included in this microcopy.

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by a slant mark (/). In such cases the numbers after the slant mark were assigned to individual documents as they were accumulated on a specific subject. For example, a decimal file number taken from a document reproduced in this microcopy is 764.652/4. The number 2 following the country number for Italy (65) signifies that the subject is the negotiation of a treaty of amity, commerce, and navigation between Hungary and Italy, and the number after the slant mark indicates the number of documents on this subject.

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Brief abstracts that serve as a finding aid to the documents.

DOCUMENTS

RELATIONS; BILATERAL TREATIES BETWEEN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND HUNGARY AND OTHER STATES

General Relations
764.00/0-19
Jan. 27, 1921-Jan. 18, 1929
Relations and Treaties
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With Italy, Turkey, and Greece.
2 764.70 - 764.94 \$5
With the Balkan States, Romania, Bulgaria,
Persia, and Japan.

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