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THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON HOLOCAUST ERA INSURANCE
CLAIMS ANNOUNCES EXTENSION OF CLAIMS FILING DEADLINE

Washington, DC - The International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC) announced that it would extend its deadline for filing claims until September 30, 2002.

The original deadline of February 15, 2002 was changed by ICHEIC Chairman and former Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger. Following a meeting in Washington, DC on January 22-23, 2002, Mr. Eagleburger issued a decision memorandum to all members of the ICHEIC extending the deadline. Mr. Eagleburger stated that the extension, which applies to existing as well as new claimants, was necessary to allow the ICHEIC sufficient time to publish additional names of policyholders on its website (www.icheic.org) and give "adequate time for the public to review the lists."

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The International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC) was established in October of 1998 by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), in conjunction with several European insurance companies, European regulators, representatives of several Jewish organizations, and the State of Israel. The Commission is charged with establishing a just process that will expeditiously address the issue of unpaid insurance policies issued to victims of the Holocaust.

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