

Press Advisory

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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 will extend its deadline for filing claims until September 30, 2003. "I'm extending the deadline to provide sufficient time to publish additional policyholder names and thus allow more individuals to file possible claims," said Lawrence S. Eagleburger, ICHEIC Chairman and former Secretary of State.

The previous deadline extension to March 30, 2003 was announced in conjunction with an agreement between the ICHEIC and the German Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and the Future," which allocated €280 million for the payment of claims and for humanitarian purposes. That agreement also established a process for publishing on the ICHEIC website the names of additional policyholders from Germany and Eastern Europe.

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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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