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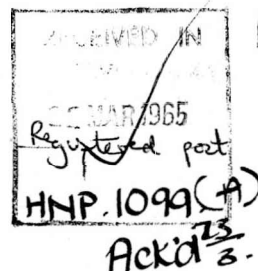
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FORM A for use by
surviving victims of
Nazi persecution



APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A BRITISH VICTIM OF NAZI PERSECUTION

- N.B.—1. Before completing this form it is important to read carefully the attached Notes for Guidance and then to answer all questions fully.
2. Please attach all documentary evidence to the form. All documents sent will be returned.
3. All applications must be received before the 31st of July, 1965.
4. Acceptance of an application for registration does not constitute a right to participate in the distribution.

SECTION ONE—IDENTITY

Surname Boutanche

Other names John, Charles

Address l'Etacq House, St Ouen, Jersey C.I.

SECTION TWO—NATIONALITY

1. How did you acquire British nationality?
(Please write YES opposite the method that applies and delete the others)
- (a) By birth? YES (If so, please attach birth certificate)
- (b) By marriage? — (If so, please attach marriage certificate and birth or naturalisation certificate of husband)
- (c) By naturalisation? — (If so, please attach certificate)
- (d) By some other method? — (If so, please give full details)
2. If you are not British by birth what was your previous nationality? —
- Do you still retain that nationality? —
- If not, when and how did you lose it? —
- (Please attach all documentary evidence)

3. If you are a dual-national—

(a) Where were you ordinarily resident on the 9th of June, 1964?.....

(Please attach all available evidence, e.g., receipts for rent or rates, &c.)

(b) Have you been in Crown Service under Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom?
(If so, please give full details and dates) *No*(c) Are you the holder of a British passport? (If so, please give number and full details) *No*

SECTION THREE—PERSECUTION

1. Please give, on a separate sheet, the following details of your imprisonment:

- (a) Name of camp or other place of detention, its situation, its general conditions and régime;
- (b) Dates of imprisonment and of release; prison number; reasons for imprisonment and circumstances in which it arose;
- (c) If you are suffering permanent disability as a result of treatment received during your imprisonment please give full details of its nature and cause;
- (d) Any other information you consider useful and relevant.
(Please attach all documentary evidence)

2. Have you at any time received any payment in respect of this persecution? *No*
(If YES please give full details)

I HEREBY DECLARE that all the above statements are to the best of my knowledge and recollection true in all particulars.

Signature *J. L. Gauthier*Date *20th March 1965*

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I was imprisoned at Maison d'arrêt
Caen, Calvados France, before that
I was held at the St Helier Prison
Jersey C.I. In the prison at Caen
France, I suffered from starvation
I was confined with a number of
other prisoners, I had to sleep fully
clothed owing to the cold. I was held
in the Jersey prison from the middle
of December 1941, to the end of December
1941, and held in the prison of Caen
France, from the end of December 1941
to the end of March 1942, the
time held in France being 3 months.

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71 The reason I was imprisoned was that I was charged with obtaining German cigarettes. After the Germans had taken a simple statement from me, I was imprisoned without trial, and held as a hostage during the time I was imprisoned. I have no prison number and have no recollection of ever being issued with one. The only document I had was one given to me telling me of my imprisonment in France. This document was in my possession some six months later when I was deported to Germany. I burnt it when told I had to be searched, as I feared

3 that if it got into the Germans hands
or there it could well have meant
further trouble for me, I am suffering
a permanent dissability as a result
of my imprisonment, I have not
been able to work for many years,
and I have been told by doctors
that I will never work again.
The nature of my disability is
Spondylitis ankylopoetica, which
I believe was caused by the
conditions under which I lived in
Prison, I had very little food and
suffered from the cold to the extent
that I had to sleep fully clothed
including my overcoat during the
whole of the time I was imprisoned
in France.

J. C. Coutanche.

Sp ondy lit is ankylopoetica
inflammation of joints of
Spine; form of arthritis.