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J. H. INGROVILLE.

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The Foreign Office  
L O N D O N, S.W. 1  
England

Re: J.A. INGROUILLY

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your letter dated 4th November 1964, please be advised that the following information is contained in our records:

INGROUILLE, John-Henry, born 3 April 1920 in Guernsey, Nationality: British, Occupation: stoker, entered the "Zellengefängnis Berlin-Moabit" on 25 January 1943 and was transferred to the "Zuchthaus Görden", district Brandenburg/Havel on 4 February 1943, Prisoner's No. 1765/42.

Sentenced to 5 years and 2 weeks "Zuchthaus" (penal servitude) for "Feindbegünstigung" (giving aid to the enemy).

Documents consulted: Nominal list of the "Zellengefängnis Berlin-Moabit"; Nominal list of the "Zuchthaus Görden".

Yours sincerely,

*N. Burckhardt*

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Director of the I.T.S.

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INGROUILLE, Mr and Mrs. John Alfred, "Dunromin", Milette Bay, Vale,  
GUERNSEY, C.I.  
October 1964.

Our only son, John Henry Ingrouille, was imprisoned by the Germans (31st December 1940) during the Occupation and was sent for trial to Jersey (February 5, 1941) after imprisonment in Guernsey. He was tried first in Jersey and then, after imprisonment at Caen, he faced another trial in Berlin. The Nazis accused him of "organising armed resistance of 800 men to oppose the Third Reich!..." (They had searched our home for arms. This information was given by the Germans first by the late Frances Louise Brewster (or Hugh, who later married a Pole named Laszczak after the war). She was 15 years old at the time and the Germans said they could not take her evidence, so they relied on the evidence of her mother, Mrs. Nellie Brewster. But both appeared in the Jersey Court at our son's trial and both mother and daughter corroborated their earlier false evidence when John was tried in Berlin. He was sentenced to five (5) years' imprisonment. The alleged and threatened uprising which our son was supposed to have organised was a pure figment of the evil imaginations of the Brewsters (allied with the Germans) and was based on the fact that John was supposed to have spread news that Mrs. Brewster and her daughter were not only working for the Germans, but cohabiting with them. That they did these things was fact. Without going fully into details the full story of the Brewsters' treachery was written in the local newspaper, the "Guernsey Evening Press" of May 29, 1947 and September 10, 1948 (cuttings are attached). Later part of the story was recounted in the local paper when we managed to get our dear son's body brought back from his burial-ground in Brussels and reinterred at the Vale Cemetery in Guernsey. As you will see from other documents enclosed our son served his sentence in a hard-labour (Zuchthaus) prison at Brandenburg. Then, after letters in 1942 comes the operative one dated May 1945 where he says he has been set free and hopes to be home with us again soon. This was sent on by a kind British Army soldier of the 1st Battalion the Glasgow Highlanders, Capt. J. H. Crook who had found John in a Displaced Persons' Camp. Then came the awful telegram from Major Beaugie (whose father at the time was a clergyman in Guernsey) who was serving at 111 (Br.) General Hospital, B.L.A. where John had been taken, telling of our son's death on June 13th, 1945 (the telegram was not delivered until July 1945) and this was confirmed by Major Beaugie's letter dated August 5, 1945. We do not know where Major Beaugie is now so that he could confirm the facts set out in his letter, but no doubt the Army might be able to trace him and at first hand he could tell how the sufferings inflicted on our son, John, by the Germans were the direct cause of his untimely death in Brussels. When he left Guernsey John was a perfectly normal, healthy young man and had nothing wrong with him. Had he been humanely treated he would have survived his ordeal. It is tragic to think he should die from the effects of his suffering when on the journey home to us. I also enclose a letter from the Salvation Army in Brussels telling of John's exhumation and transfer of his body from Belgium to Guernsey, subsequently.

NOTE: The above facts were given by us to Mr. F. W. Falla who has typed them for us and we give our signatures below to verify this as the truth.

*Mrs. Hilda Ingrouille.* (Mrs.) *John Alfred Ingrouille* (Mr.)  
Dated: 25/9/64.....

FORM B for use in  
respect of a deceased  
British victim of  
Nazi persecution

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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF A DECEASED  
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

- A. 1. Surname of victim INGROUILLE,
2. Other names JOHN HENRY.
3. Place of death III (BRITISH) GENERAL HOSPITAL, BRUSSELS  
(Please send the death certificate or, if there is no death certificate, please say whether leave to presume death was obtained)
- B. 1. Surname of applicant INGROUILLE,
2. Other names JOHN ALFRED (MR & MRS)
3. Address "DUNROMIN", MIELLETTE BAY,  
VALE, GUERNSEY, C.I.
4. What was your relationship to deceased?
- (a) Spouse? — (If so, please send marriage certificate)
- (b) Child? — (If so, please send birth certificate)
- Are there any other surviving children of the deceased? (If so, please give full names and addresses of each)
- (c) Parent? YES (If so, please send deceased's birth certificate)
- (d) Brother or sister? — (If so, please send your own and deceased's birth certificate)
- Have you any surviving brothers or sisters? (If so, please give full name and address of each)

## SECTION TWO—NATIONALITY OF VICTIM

## 1. How did the deceased acquire British nationality?

(Please write YES opposite the method that applies and delete the others)

- (a) By birth? YES (If so, please send his/her birth certificate)
- (b) By marriage? — (If so, please send marriage certificate)
- (c) By naturalisation? — (If so, please attach naturalisation certificate)
- (d) By some other method? — (If so, please give full details)

2. If the deceased was not British by birth what was the previous nationality? —Was it retained at the time of death? —If not, when and how was it lost? —

(Please attach all documentary evidence)

## 3. If deceased was a dual national—

- (a) Where was he/she ordinarily resident at the date of his/her death?
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(Please attach any available evidence, e.g., receipts for rent or rates)

- (b) Had he/she been in Crown Service under Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom?

(If so, please give full details)

No.

- (c) Was he/she the holder of a British passport? (If so, please give full details)

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## SECTION THREE—PERSECUTION

1. Please give, on a separate sheet, the following details of the deceased's imprisonment:
  - (a) Name of camp or other place of detention; its situation; its general conditions and régime;
  - (b) Dates of imprisonment and (where relevant) release; prison number; reasons for imprisonment and circumstances in which it arose.
  - (c) Any further information you consider useful and relevant.  
(Please attach all documentary evidence)
2. Has any payment been made at any time in respect of the imprisonment of the deceased?.....*No.*  
(If, so please give full details)

I HEREBY DECLARE that to the best of my knowledge, belief and recollection all the information here given is true and accurate in all particulars.

Signature.....*John Alfred Ingrouille*  
Date.....*25/9/64*