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THE REVD. FREDERICK HANKINSON, of 60, Haverstock Hill,
Hampstead, will prove:-

I am a Unitarian minister.

I have visited Hungary on various occasions,
staying in Transylvania, where there is a large
Unitarian community.

In this way I have a special interest in Hungarians,
and, since the war, in connection with the Society known
as the Emergency Committee for Befriending Austrians,
Hungarians and Germans in Distress. This Society is
largely under the guidance of the Quaker community in
this country, and many other people have assisted it.

I am the Home Office visitor to the Internment
Camp at Islington. All the men interned at this Camp
have English-born wives.

I have known Mr. de Laszlo since the outbreak of
the war. I have visited him at his house and his studio,
and I have stayed with him at his country house in
Surrey.

I have once or twice asked Mr. de Laszlo to help
in the charitable work on which I was engaged, especially

on behalf of a paralysed child, the son of a Hungarian woman, and he has always been very generous, not only as regards the Hungarian work, but as regards any work connected with my Church.

We have often, naturally, spoken about the war.

He has always spoken in a thoroughly loyal way of England and the Allies, but like all naturalised persons, of whom I have met many, he had a special tenderness for the place of his birth. I have never heard him say anything as regards Hungary which would be harmful to England.

I approached Mr. de Laszlo as regards helping poor Hungarians because this was the principle upon which I did my work generally. If I wanted money for poor Germans I thought it was only natural to approach naturalised Germans, and the same principle applied as to people of other nationalities. I have never in any case asked for money from unnaturalised aliens.

I formed a very high opinion of Mr. de Laszlo's character, and I consider him a very honourable and straightforward man. His dominating characteristic

appeared to be kind-heartedness and too lavish a
generosity, out of a desire to help anybody who was
suffering.

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STATEMENT

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