

WAR GRAVES

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The American Legation presents its compliments to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to submit for the consideration of the Hungarian Government the text of a bi-lateral agreement which the United States Government desires to conclude with the Hungarian Government concerning the interment of American military personnel in Hungary.

"The following shall govern relative to the disposal of the remains of deceased persons who were citizens of the United States and/or who served or who accompanied the armed forces of the United States and are now buried in Hungary or any possession or territory now or hereafter subject to the control of the Hungarian Government.

"1. The United States, through its duly designated representatives, shall have the following rights, privileges and prerogatives:

"A. The Government of the United States shall have the right to establish and maintain such temporary cemeteries as are necessary for the burial of deceased persons subject to its control and to make exhumations therefrom for repatriation or concentration into other cemeteries abroad, and may move bodies from other countries into and/or through Hungary and its territories and possessions for interment and/or transshipment.

"B. The Government of the United States shall be exempt from all national, local, or other laws and/or regulations relating to the permits for disinterments; sanitation, upon an assurance that such work will be conducted in a manner not detrimental to public health; and from the payment of any duties, taxes, or fees of any kind required for the burial, disinterment for reburial or movement of bodies or the maintenance of graves.