FRIEDERIKE GOTTLIEB (UNITED STATES) v. AUSTRIA AND BOHEMIAN SAVINGS BANK

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On behalf of the claimant in case styled and numbered as above ¹ an award is sought against Austria based exclusively on a savings bank deposit of 38.57 kronen to the credit of claimant in the Bohemian Savings Bank, located at Prague, which before the war was embraced in the territory of the former Austrian Empire. Prior to the coming into effect of the Treaty of St. Germain on July 16, 1920, the principal Allied and Associated Powers had recognized the existence of Czechoslovakia as an independent State, and it was a party to that Treaty as an Allied Power (see preamble to Treaty of St. Germain).

The deposit upon which this claim is based is in a bank located at Prague in Czechoslovakia, which bank is not with respect to claimant an "enemy debtor" within the meaning of that term as found in the Treaty of Vienna, and the claim here asserted is not an "enemy debt" falling within the terms of

that Treaty.

Applying the rules announced in Administrative Decision No. II to the facts as disclosed by the record herein the Commission decrees that under the Treaty of Vienna of August 24, 1921, the Government of Austria is not obligated to pay to the Government of the United States any amount on behalf of the claimant herein.