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My dear Mr. Messersmith :

Thanks for your welcome Letter of December 15th . Please accept my sincerest thanks in the matter of the immigration Viss to Mr Hans Maiwald. Permit me to call (unofficial) your attention to the following: about 2 years ago during a Dinner given by the American Chamber of Commerce in Berlin at the Hotel Adlon the Secretary of the Chamber had all None Aryan seperated . I also was asked to take the seat on a Side Table & of course I left .

I afterwards have been told that the German Government officials made this request . When I told the Gentleman I thought it UNAMERICAN for a American Chamber of Commerce to take Dictation of a foreign Governemnt I was informed as fallows :

The Salary of the Secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce ^{in Berlin} is paid by the German Government & no Expenses are paid by the American Government . The German Government uses the Name of American Chamber of Commerce for their Prapaganda & Exchange of Students etc for Nazi Prapaganda in the U.S.A.

If this is really so, why does the Government lent his Name to Unamerican Principals . Iam refering to the Name : AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMERCE *Berlin*.

Either it is a Agent of America or a Agent of Germany but it cant be both or HALF (German American) .

Wishing you a merry Xmass & a very happy New Year I remain with kindest regards

sincerely yours

Otto C. Feldheim