

Conclusion

Every person who visits the International Tracing Service will admit that it is an institution unique of its kind. The work carried out there - which is in fact the daily use of the indexes of death - is exceedingly meritorious.

The steady acquisition of new records has led to the largest collection of documentary material of the persecution era, existing in the world. It is actually "the documentation center of the concentration camps epoch" as the International Tracing Service should be called.

For this reason the value and the necessity of these archives, which symbolize not only the tragedy but also the history of the deportation, should not be undervalued.

Is it finally not a compelling humanitarian task regarding all those who were victims in the world of concentration camps to perpetuate the remembrance ?

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