

REF.	CONTENT
CO 323/1652/2	Palestine: use of Hellschreiber machine by German consul-general (1938/1939)
Ref. 33A	Draft letter, dated February 1939, 2 pages. Summary: response to confidential dispatch of 4 <sup>th</sup> September 1938 regarding installation of Hellschreiber apparatus at the <b>German Consulate-General at Jerusalem</b> and unsatisfactory reception of <b>D.N.B.</b> news service on long wave (shortwave not mentioned). No objection to allowing the Consul-General to continue to operate the apparatus. The Palestine Government [= British] is not obliged to install or operate the apparatus. The <i>Reichspostminister</i> should be informed that reception in Palestine of broadcast wireless messages for dissemination should be done by Palestine Postal Administration, but the Administration will not install Hell apparatus for D.N.B. reception.
Ref. 33B	Draft letter from <b>General Post Office</b> , Telecommunications Dept., London, to E.B. Boyer, dated 7 <sup>th</sup> January 1939, 2 pages. Summary: response to a letter from Mr. Boyer dated 19 <sup>th</sup> October 1938; response delayed due to difficulty obtaining technical information from Siemens; it is desirable for the <b>Palestinian Government</b> [= British] to control messages received for general dissemination, and (sole) reception by Post Office staff seems essential if a fee per word is to be charged. Suggestion to allow Dr. Reichart [German Consul- General] to conduct Hell reception tests at the German Consulate, and if successful, ask the Postmaster General to conduct reception under Post Office control on behalf of the German Consulate, at a suitable charge per word. A suitable short wave receiver costs <b>£70 - £250</b> .