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The Department of External Affairs announced today that it has been informed that the Austrian Government has allotted additional monies to the Fund for Assistance to Victims of Political Persecution who have their domicile and permanent residence abroad. These additional funds will be made available for occupational or professional damages suffered because of political persecution and for damage caused by the termination or discontinuance for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years or more of vocational (professional) or pre-vocational (pre-professional) training. Awards will be made to persons who during the period March 5, 1933, to May 8, 1945, suffered political persecution of any kind (inter alia, because of origin, religion or nationality).

Persons may apply who held Austrian citizenship on March 13, 1938, or who, prior to March 13, 1938, had their domicile and permanent residence in the territory of the Republic of Austria for an uninterrupted period of more than ten consecutive years. In addition, persons may apply who held German citizenship on March 13, 1938, and emigrated from Austria because of political persecution.

Claims must be filed and received in Vienna by October 31, 1963. Further information and application forms are available at the Austrian Embassy, 85 Range Road, Ottawa, and the Austrian Consulates at 700 Lancaster Building, 300 8th Avenue, Calgary, Alta.; 6 Young Avenue, Halifax, N.S.; 1410 Stanley Street, Montreal, P.Q.; 525 Seymour Street, Vancouver, B.C.; and 54 Harrow Street, Winnipeg, Man.