Questionnaire Deaf Experiences with World War II

-War, Escape, Displacement, Prosecution, Forced Sterilization, Camp, Ghetto, Murder-

Dear Deaf Community!

Like hearing people, Deaf people have suffered a lot during and after World War II. So far little is well-known about the suffering experienced by the Deaf community.

Please help us learn more about it by filling out this questionnaire! It is confidential and we will not pass on the information to other sources.

We will be organizing a project soon with Deaf witnesses from the National Socialist period and World War II.

- 1. How old are you today? _____ Years old
- 2. I am \Box Male \Box Female (Please mark the appropriate box.)
- 3. Which of the following have you experienced? (Check all that apply.)
 - 🗆 War
 - \Box Escape/ fleeing
 - □ Displacement
 - □ Prosecution (political, religious, ie: Jewish)
 - □ Camp (ie: forced labor, Concentration camp), Ghetto
 - □ Forced Sterilization
 - □ Rape
- 4. What has your family experienced? (Check all that apply.)
 - □ War
 - □ Escape/ fleeing
 - □ Displacement
 - □ Prosecution (political, religious, ie: Jewish)
 - □ Camp (ie: forced labor, Concentration camp), Ghetto
 - □ Forced Sterilization
 - □ Rape
 - □ Euthanasia

- 5. From where have you gotten most of the information about the war, etc?
 - □ From family experiences
 - □ Newspaper/ Journals
 - □ Television
 - \Box Deaf school
 - □ Deaf newspaper
 - □ Deaf community/ Club
 - Deaf TV Program (ie: Sehen statt Hören)
- 6. Have you already discussed the war and such topics...
 - \Box with your family?
 - $\hfill\square$ in the Deaf school?
 - □ within the Deaf community/ Club
- 7. In your opinion, which of the following did the war have on you or your family?
 - □ large impact
 - □ some impact
 - □ small impact
 - \Box no impact

Please explain:

- 8. In your opinion, are there enough subtitled films and programs on television about the war?
 - \Box Yes, there are enough films/ programs
 - \Box Yes, there are enough films/ programs with subtitles
 - □ There could be more
 - \Box No, there are not enough films/ programs
 - $\hfill\square$ No, there are not enough films with subtitles
- 9. In your opinion, did you learn enough in your school/ Deaf school about the war?

 \Box Yes, enough □ Could have learned more \Box No, not enough 10. In your opinion, what knowledge/ awareness do we all need to make sure that something so terrible as World War II does not happen again? (Optional) Write your name here: Name: (Optional) If you are willing to be contacted later for further questions, please include the following information: Fax: _____ Email: Please send the completed questionnaire to us by mail or fax using one of the following addresses. Thank you! Mail: Fax: KuGG (+49 0) 40 65 59 26 10 c/o Helmut Vogel Blostwiete 1 22111 Hamburg Germany

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