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Dear all of the Infogroup and the Projectgroup,

I am happy to inform you that we could make a major breakthrough since our last newsletter. The best News is that we have made a good connection with people that work for the Archives of Amsterdam. They discovered a note about 26 victims that was made up on 8 may 1945. The note was discovered in a not yet inventiorised part of the archive and box of documents. All publicity and documents and historical researches thus far seem to be based on the intermediate counting of 22 victims that they knew of died directly on 7 may 1945 until the morning of 8 may 1945. But as well on 7 may and after that moment a lot of other heavily wounded have died that are not on this list. Also the list itself is not correct, because several deaths are counted that happened elswhere in Amsterdam on the same day.

Next week we (4 projectgroupmembers) will have a meeting at the adress of the Amsterdam Archive and we are allowed to research all the names of the 200-plus possible victims from the documents and boxes that are still there, but never further investigated or digitilized.

Also by our Facebook page we have made several connections with relatives of victims some not on the mentioned list.

We will have to start a foundation (Stichting) to accomplish our mission. We need 3 Dutch members to do that.

Johan Wieland and me are the first 2, but we wait till at least 1 other of you will commit.

Think and consider, Arthur Rebattu