Dear Laura, Mr Doctor, All

Further to the request of Mr Doctor to Mr Bruno for a list of the 22 countries, please see the below:

Depending on when in history these are counted (as they differ widely even between 1939 and 1945), countries and communities varied across the world in the course of the war years, and more dramatically so in the after-war years (e.g. the break-up of Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union, etc.). This means the number can vary between 19 and 26, depending on when the list is compiled.

There is no single, widely-accepted authority on the matter, but the figure of 22 has been taken from the **Elie Wiesel Foundation's** 22-strong list as a basis, which retains the Soviet Union as a single sovereign state (which includes Belorussia and Ukraine, despite it becoming briefly independent in the course of WW2, and then again in the early 1990's).

Mr Bruno also referred to various other accounts on the countries:

* Abraham Edelheit and Hershel Edelheit, *History of the Holocaust: A Handbook and Dictionary* (Boulder: Westview Press, 1994)
* Raul Hilberg, *Destruction of European Jews* (New York: Holmes & Meier Publishers, 1985)

The list is thus:

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| 1 | Austria |
| 2 | Belgium |
| 3 | Bulgaria |
| 4 | Denmark |
| 5 | Estonia |
| 6 | Finland |
| 7 | France |
| 8 | Germany |
| 9 | Greece |
| 10 | Hungary |
| 11 | Italy |
| 12 | Latvia |
| 13 | Lithuania |
| 14 | Luxembourg |
| 15 | The Netherlands |
| 16 | Norway |
| 17 | Poland |
| 18 | Russia, Belorussia and Ukraine |
| 19 | Romania |
| 20 |  Slovakia/Bohemia/Moravia |
| 21 | Yugoslavia |
| 22 | Tunisia |

Kind regards

Reza