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MRS FRANK ZLABOVSKY

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REncARDING HERBERT NUERNBERGS APPLICATION WE ARE POSITIVE STATE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT WAIVE REQUIREMENTS PERMITTING MAN RETURN UNITED STATES UNTIL DECEMBER STOP IF HE WAITS IN JUAREZ UNTIL DECEMBER WILL CONSUL REQUIRE TWO YEARS RESIDENCE STOP IF NOT MAN WILL HAVE TO LIVE IN CUBA OR SOME OTHER COUNTRY AM WRITING STATE DEPARTMENT TO CORROBORATE THIS INFORMATION AND WILL ADVISE YOU

CECILIA RAZOVSKY.
The Secretary of State of the
United States has received your
application. It has been 
considered and is now 
transmitted to the 
Department of State for 
perusal and action,

Mrs. Clara Barker
923 S. Golden Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sec. L. K. Stow
August 31, 1938

Mrs. E. Zlabovsky
1016 Olive Street
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Please note the enclosed copy of letter from the State Department.

I am very glad that people who travel into Mexico by routes other than by sea do not have to wait two years in Mexico before getting a visa to enter the United States. This is indeed good news.

Sincerely yours,

Cecilia Razovsky
Executive Director

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American Committee for Christian-German Refugees
American Friends Service Committee
American Jewish Committee
American Jewish Congress
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee
Committee for Catholic Refugees from Germany
Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Physicians
Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced German Scholars
Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America
German-Jewish Children’s Aid, Inc.

Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society
Hospites
Independent Order of B’nai B’rith
International Migration Service
International Student Service
Musicians Emergency Fund, Inc.
National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
National Council of Jewish Women
Zionist Organization of America
My dear Miss Razovsky:

I refer to your letter of August 22, 1938 concerning the case of an alien now in the United States who expects to make application for an immigration visa at the American Consulate at Ciudad Juarez, Mexico.

As an applicant for an immigration visa may not spend his waiting time for a quota number in the United States, the name of the alien in question will not be registered on the list of prospective immigrants until he has left the United States and taken up his residence in the consular district where he expects to apply for a visa intending to remain abroad until his turn is reached under the quota.

A two year period of residence in foreign contiguous territory is required by Section 17 of the Immigration Act in cases where applicants for admission into the United States were brought to such territory by a transportation company which had failed to submit to and comply with all the requirements of the Act. The requirement is understood to apply in the cases of prospective immigrants traveling to Mexico by sea with navigation companies but not in the cases of aliens traveling overland to Mexico from the United States by railroad.

Sincerely yours,

Miss Cecilia Razovsky
Associate Director, National Council of Jewish Women, Incorporated,
1819 Broadway
New York, New York

A. M. Warren
Chief, Visa Division
August 31, 1938.

IMPORTANT: Re: Herbert Murenber, L.L.D.

The aforementioned was sent to El Paso from the Chicago Office, arriving August 26th. His case was immediately presented to the Consul in Juarez, Mexico. His application was accepted and a cable was sent the same day to Berlin.

On the morning of the 20th a reply cable came from Berlin granting quota number for December issuance (No. 3337). Mr. Murenberg was advised to remain on foreign soil until the number is granted to him. He was beside himself and demanded that I send a telegram, which you received. He was at that time illegally in Mexico. I took immediate steps to legalize his entry into that Country. After legalization into Mexico, he called on the Inspector of Immigration, asking permission to cross into El Paso daily for the purpose of visiting the library. The crossing privilege was granted him on the strength of his unexpired visa from Germany. When the American Vice-Consul heard of this procedure, he advised Mr. Murenberg that if he is seen on United States soil he would lose the right to the number, which is at present time in their office.

I advised Mr. M. to immediately cancel the privilege of crossing into El Paso, which he did under protest. He now claims that I have done him a great injustice by legalizing his entry into Mexico because the German Government will confiscate his $100,000 holdings in Germany if they found that he was trying to legally enter the United States. A further complication is that his Passport expires on November 9th and he says that the German Consul will refuse a further extension.
As a test case I wonder if it is possible that when an applicant receives his number as in this case, when his application and medical examination are fully approved, whether he can be paroled to the United States for the period between the date of application and the issuance of the number, or if he may be given the privilege of a crossing card when living on the Border as in this case.

Miss Cecelia Razovsky,

Do you extend privileges to an alien in this case of Will you be able to have his passport extended by the German Consul in New York? Because his number will be issued to him on December 1st, his passport must also have to be extended to February 1, 1939.

I am awaiting your reply.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

[Address]
Dear Mrs. Habovski,

I thank you for the mail from Chicago, arriving for me in your home.

Have, please, the kindness, to give me the original letter of the State Department, Washington. I shall give back immediately after views.

Many thanks in advance. Yours

Dr. [Signature]

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