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August 17, 1937.

Mrs. Elsa Weinshenk,  
824 S. Halstead St.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mrs. Weinshenk:-

Will you please help me in the following case?

Heins Selowsky of Berlin, Germany, who is in Mexico on a visitor's visa, came to this border, Juarez, Mexico with this story: That while in Mexico City, he met Miss Bessie Glick of Chicago, (Schoolteacher) who is at the present time in Michigan City, Indiana, at the Toddle Inn Cottage. He says that Miss Glick wants to marry him, and bring him into the United States. The boy, age 22, is now waiting in Juarez, Mexico to hear from this young lady. He is penniless and has no legal documents to enable him to present his case in any Port of Entry, even were he to marry an American citizen. He claims to have lived in Brazil, S. A. for 3½ years and when asked for a character certificate from that country, he claims he could not get one. Please contact this young lady and help me solve one of the many impossible cases which come to my attention.

Thanking you, and with kindest regards,  
I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.

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EL PASO SECTION,  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN.

El Paso, Texas,  
August 17, 1937.

Mr. W. R. Meyer,  
1513 66th Avenue,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Meyer:-

Heins Salowsky, age 22, of Berlin, Germany, has arrived in our neighbor town, Juarez, Mexico. He is destitute and has appealed to our organization for aid. He tells us that you are his uncle, and we are therefore asking you to give him financial assistance. If you will send money to our organization, we will see that it reaches him. Should you wish to communicate with him, we have arranged for his stay in the Copper Hotel, Juarez, Mexico until we hear from you.

Awaiting you prompt reply, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
Field Executive,  
1016 Olive Street,  
El Paso, Texas.

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# NATIONAL COUNCIL <sup>of</sup> JEWISH WOMEN.

DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE FOR FOREIGN BORN  
824 S. HALTED STREET  
HAYMARKET 4593

MRS. ELSA M. WEINSHENK  
Field Secretary

August  
20  
1937

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
National Council Jewish Women  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

Re: Heins Selowsky

My dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

We communicated with Miss Bessie Glick, who advised that she is planning to be in Chicago on August 30 and will call at our office at that time and discuss the case of the foregoing with us.

In the meantime if you can advise us just what documentary proof you need from here, we shall attempt to secure it.

Sincerely yours,

*Elsa M. Weinshenk*  
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Field Secretary  
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MRS. ELSA M. WEINSHENK  
Field Secretary

August  
31  
1937

Miss Frank Zlabovsky  
National Council Jewish Women  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

Re: Heinz Selowsky

My dear Miss Zlabovsky:

Your letter of August 17 was certainly quite a surprise and we must admit, somewhat unusual.

We talked with Miss Glick yesterday. She seems to be quite an intelligent young woman, who would not be adverse to carrying on a correspondence with the young man. However, she has no intention of marrying him at the present time.

We explained to Miss Glick that it would be advisable for her to know something of this man's background. Miss Glick stated that she met the young man in the home of some very fine Jewish people. It seems as tho he was a friend of friends of this family who live in Germany and they had asked him to visit these people and extend their greetings.

Miss Glick would like to have the present address of Mr. Selowsky.

We would appreciate your own personal opinion of the young man, and would also like to know why he has not obtained the necessary birth and police certificates. What is Mr. Selowsky equipped to do?

Sincerely yours,

Elsa M. Weinshenk  
Field Secretary  
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August 31, 1937.

Mrs. Elsa M. Weinshenk,  
824 S. Halstead St.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mrs. Weinshenk: -

Re: Heins Selowsky.

Very little can be done with this case until after you discuss the matter with Miss Glick. He has no relatives in the United States, and therefore know of no one to appeal to for affidavits of support.

Since my last communication the young man has received the police documents from Brazil, and has written to Germany for his birth certificate. All other personal documents can be arranged for, but he has no money and it would be necessary for him to go to work should he enter the United States. In Mexico he cannot work because he is on a visitor's visa. He claims to have 10,000 Reich Mark in Germany.

If the girl should marry him could she support him? and would she be willing to sign such documents guaranteeing him against becoming a public charge .

With seasons's greetings, I am

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
Field Executive.

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September 2, 1937.

Mrs. Elsa Weinshenk,  
824 S. Halstead St.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mrs. Weinshenk:-

Re: Heins Selowsky.

This case is not only unusual but beyond my power to solve. He cannot come into the United States through Mexico unless he takes up his residence in that Country for two years. Should he go to Brazil where he spent the past three years he could get a visa providing he has money, all the necessary documents (personal) and affidavits of support. If, married to an American, he would get preference. He has written to Germany for birth and police certificates.

My personal opinion is that if the boy were given a chance he would make good. He is an interior decorator by profession. The reason he did not obtain the documents in question is because he was given two weeks in which to wind up his affairs in Berlin and get out of Germany. He succeeded in having three hundred and twenty Reich Mark transferred from his holdings to the Mexican Consul in Berlin (500 Pesos) This money is returned to the German Government at the expiration of six months, when he must leave Mexico. His present address is: %Hotel Copper, Juarez, Mexico, but we are advising that he leave for Mexico City within the next few days. I am trying to get money for his expenses.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
Field Executive.

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Alexio G. F.

10. September 1937.

Sehr geehrte M<sup>rs</sup> Glabovskij!

Mrs. G. Ihnen nochmals herzlichst und den besten, und allen anderen die mir geholfen haben, danken. Bin jetzt wieder in Mexicocity, und muß sehen, wie ich weiterkomme. Fürs Geld die 112,40 Pesos umzuwandeln 52 Pesos für das Ticket, habe ich von Herrn Böger bekommen. Ich wollte das nur noch einmal bestätigen damit Sie nicht denken, ich hätte es nicht bekommen. Ich werde mit dem Geld schon arbeiten, und sehen das ich dafür Ware bringen kann. Dem Stüdel werde ich auch noch schreiben nachzulesen. Ich werde doch so machen wie Sie mir geraten haben. Jetzt muß man ja warten, bis die Papeln aus Deutschland und Brüssel kommen. Meine Adresse ist hier: H. Selowsky Centro de Beneficencia Israelita de Mexico Calle Gante 2 1/3 Mexico D.F. Also nochmals herzlichsten Dank für alles, und hoffentlich können Sie weiter für mich arbeiten. Verbleibe ich weiter und viele herzliche Grüße

Hochachtungsvoll

H. Selowsky