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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

May 13, 1930

Mr. J. B. Cranny
Peters Trust Building
Omaha, Nebraska

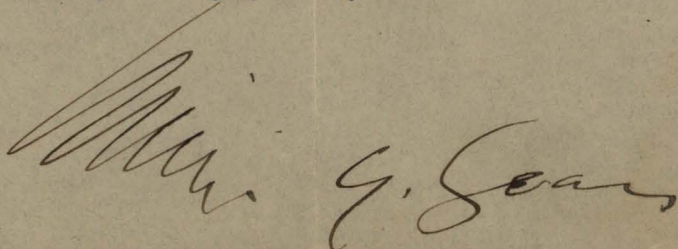
Dear Sir:

While Mrs. Phillipowski's petition for quota preference for her husband has been approved by the Bureau of Immigration and the State Department, I am advised that it will probably be a year before he will be able to proceed legally to this country. The reason for this is that the immigration act of 1924 was amended effective June 1, 1928, and provided that husbands or wives married prior to the passage of the amendment should be entitled to a non-quota status, but it also provided that marriages after the passage of the act should entitle applicants only to a first preference under the regular quotas.

Inasmuch as the Phillipowskis were married after the immigration act was amended, he is entitled only to a first preference. Notwithstanding, the fact that he is a resident of Juarez, Mexico, at this time, he comes under the Polish quota and must receive a number entitling him to a visa from the Consul at Poland. As you know, there are hundreds on the list at this time, awaiting numbers, and the State Department advises me that Mr. Phillipowski cannot expect his visa for at least a year and there is nothing that this office can do to cut this time, as the Counsuls abroad have original jurisdiction independent of any of the Washington Bureaus.

Regretting that I cannot give you more encouraging information, I am,

Very truly yours,



July 23, 1930.

Cecilia Razovsky,
625 Madison Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Razovsky:-

Re- Weichselbaum - Waserzuk
Max Phillipowsky-Pola Gershbein
Borenstein - Families

The Weichselbaum family is still in Juarez awaiting first priority on an agricultural number. Our Consul has again asked for the numbers for this family, as well as for the Waserzuk family.

A first preference quota has been assured to one, Max Phillipowsky, whose American wife lives in Omaha, Nebraska. This number is issued for November, so I have very little hope for the Weichselbaum family getting in prior to that time. These are all Polish quotas.

We are expecting the return papers on the Pola Gershbein Borenstein case, who will be admitted as a non-quota, due to her husband being an American citizen. These papers are now before the Commissioner General in Washington for his approval.

Yours very truly,

Chairman,, Service for Foreign Born.

FZ:LG

DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE FOR FOREIGN BORN

The National Council of Jewish Women

INCORPORATED

799 BROADWAY. NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch
TO Mrs. Frank Zlabowsky
1016 Olive St.
El Paso, Texas

DATE August 28, 1930
SUBJECT Max Phillipowsky

We are quoting herewith from a communication received from you on July 23rd:

"A first preference quota has been assured to one Max Phillipowsky whose American wife lives in Omaha, Nebraska. This number is issued for November, so I have very little hope for the Weichselbaum family getting in prior to that time. These are all Polish quota.s.

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We do not know what this means. Are we supposed to have cases on Max Phillipowsky and Pola Borenstein? We can find no such in our records. We have a case on the Weichselbaum family which you referred to in the same letter.

M.H.

MH:ER

September 4, 1930.

Miss Merle Henoch,
625 Madison Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Henoch:-

Re- Max Phillipowsky.

Replying to your letter of August 28th, wish to state that it is my desire to keep you informed on all cases pending at this Port of Entry, especially those who have been granted and are about to be granted visas.

Have you interviewed Pola Gershbein Borenstein, who is now living with her sister, 15 Boston Road, Bronx, New York?

Re- Rocha Kaplan.

You may refer to her case in my report of the past year. This girl has been assured a number from the country of her birth, Lithuania. This number will be available in November. She is a first priority due to the fact that her parents live in the United States. The family live in Omaha, Nebraska.

Yours very truly,

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Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky, Chairman,
Service for Foreign Born.

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

Re: Abraham Max Phillipowski

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

I am taking it upon myself to answer the letter you wrote Miss Razovsky, regarding the above. Prefacing my remarks may I state that El Paso work with the Polish Consul is covered by the Chicago office and the Consul in New York can do nothing on your cases. Nevertheless our Consul here is extremely cooperative and will always take time to advise us. They tell us that a birth certificate is not sufficient proof of legal domicile for any country to issue a passport.. It may be true that this man was born in Poland, but he may have sworn allegiance to several other countries since. Besides, Suwalki, the community in Poland in which Mr. Phillipowski was born was Russian territory and unless Mr. P. resided in that community in 1922 and signed that he wished to become a Polish subject that he would not be so considered.

We were advised to have Mr. Phillipowski write to his home community and get a certificate from them that he is in good standing as a Polish subject, this paper would of course have to bear an official seal, then the paper would have to be taken up to a higher state authority who would likewise have to put their seal of approval. With this Mr. P. would be considered a Polish subject. I realize that this would take a great deal of time and Mr. P. expects to get his visa October 15th. The Polish Consul would not give me a signed statement at the time inasmuch as he was discussing the case verbally. They suggested, however, that we make the request of the Passport department who would naturally have to put their answer in writing and that we could send to you. We have already complied with these instructions and I trust within a few days we will be able to send you this official report from the Consul.

Sincerely yours,

Merle Henoch
Merle Henoch

Bureau of International Case Work

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DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE FOR FOREIGN BORN

The National Council of Jewish Women

INCORPORATED

799 BROADWAY. NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch
TO Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
El Paso

DATE October 10, 1930

SUBJECT Max Philipowski

Enclosed is the original letter from the Polish
Consul regarding a passport for the above. We are enclosing
also Mr. Philipowski's birth certificate.



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December 16, 1930

Miss Cecelia Razovsky
799 Broadway
New York N.Y.

Re;Max Phillipowsky

Dear Miss Razovsky;In calling this case to your attention it was because of its close connection to the case of Valli Kaplan. A Naturalized sister of Valli's visited her in Juarez and a romance grew between her and the above young man which terminated in their marriage. Following which she filed a petition for a preference quota for him. He received his number and was admitted on November 3rd. and the couple are united and living in Omaha, Neb. Case is closed.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
Service to the Foreign Born
1016 Olive Street

September 25th, 1930

Cecelia Razovsky,
625 Madison Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Razovsky:-

Re-Abraham Max Phillipowski

Enclosed please find birth certificate and a copy of a Spanish letter and it's English translation from the Polish Consul in Mexico. We sent to Mexico for a Passport with the enclosed refusal coming back to us.

Will you please try and get a Passport for this young man at the earliest possible moment? and return the enclosed birth certificate with the passport? This young man's first preference quota number will be issued to him on about the 15th of October. Should you fail to get a passport, try to secure a refusal from the Polish Consul in New York, so with the two refusals the American Consul will issue this number under affidavit.

Your immediate attention is asked.

Yours very truly,

Chairman, Service for Foreign Born.
1016 Olive St.,
El Paso, Texas.

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