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115 EAST WASHINGTON STREET

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

July 17, 1939

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky

El Paso Texas

Dear Madame,

Your son Meyer suggested that I write you regarding our problem in bringing this young man over.

The enclosed letters are self explanatory.

Our main concern now is to get him out of Poland as soon as possible. He is 26 years of age, military service performed and honorably discharged from Polish Army. In case of war, he naturally would be the first one called.

Is it possible to get him into Mexico either on a temporary permit to await his quota call ~~or~~ as an immigrant.

As this young man is also related to Mrs. Cherno of Culiacan, we thought that Mexicali would be a good place for him, but that is secondary.

The important thing right now is to get him out of Poland.

If there is anything to be done or any suggestions or advice you may wish to offer, I assure you that it will be greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely
Ben King

July 20, 1939.

Mr. Ben King,
115 E. Washington St.,
Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Mr. King:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of July 17th, I wish to advise that there is little that anyone can do to help your relative to depart from Poland. However I would make these suggestions:

That he try to make application to go to Santa Domingo to await there his quota number, which will be transferred to him through the American Consul wherever he may located upon advice from him to the American Consul in Warsaw.

There is a possibility because of his family connections in Calexico, that he may get a Tourist Visa into Mexico, however, we have experienced some difficulties in getting people into that country.

Should you desire to try Mexico you may write to Gustavo Arce, Attorney, #39 Palma, Mexico, D. F. This man charges \$100 for each applicant he succeeds in getting into Mexico, or rather I should say attempts to get into Mexico. He demands $\frac{1}{3}$ of his fee immediatly, and the balance when the visa is granted in the Foreign Country. However, that is the least of the expense in the Mexican situation. The Government requires a bond of 750 Pesos and the equivalent of about \$25 monthly to be placed in the bank for his maintenance during his stay in Mexico.

Reports show that Equador, the Phillipines and the aforementioned Santa Domingo are possible places for aliens to sojourn who are awaiting quota numbers to enter the United States.

If there is any further information desired, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Yours very truly,