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All of Julius Schwartz's letters are handwritten in English. Some of the letters and cables from Mexico are in Spanish. One cable is in German.

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# Josef Stiefel

## LÜNEN A.D. LIPPE

Fernsprecher Nr. 2070

Telegr.-Adr.: Stiefel Lünen

Gegründet 1908

Postscheckkonto: Essen 15458

Bankkonto: Stadtparkasse Lünen

*Westfalen-  
Genossenschaft*

Den 3. März 1939

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9/12/39.

Mrs Frank Zlabovsky  
El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky"

Am writing these few lines today, to inquire, if you can give me any assistance in bringing my 3 Cousins from Germany at the earliest moment. They have written me two letters the last two days, that they are unable to get either U.S. Visas or Mexican Visas over in Germany. Is there any way that you could suggest to me how to get them into Mexico for a while? As I have said before, they have their own money, & I want them to use it, as they cannot take it with them - But, if necessary for me to advance the money here to get them over quickly, will be glad to do so. - Is there any change in the U.S. Immigration laws, since I saw you?



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SCHWARZ'S

READY TO WEAR

LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

Would appreciate an early reply, in en-  
closed stamped envelope.

Thanking you for this favor - I remain  
Very truly Yours

Julius R. Schwarz



March 14, 1939.

Mr. Julius R. Schwartz,  
 Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Answering your letter of the 12th inst., I wish to state that the situation is becoming more difficult and we seem to find no avenue of escape. Mexico refuses to admit Jewish refugees because their Passport does not permit them to return to the Country from which they came. However, we know of many cases which have been successful through contact with Political influence in Mexico.

If you have access to such influence, I would suggest that you write to them immediately and put your case before them.

We are informed that the Phillipine Islands is open to Refugees. Your cousins could perhaps, go there to await their German numbers.

If you are in El Paso within the near future I will be glad to discuss the matter with you.

Regretting my inability to help you in this matter, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:IG



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

3/22/39.

Mrs Frank Zlabovsky,  
El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky"

Your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup>  
to hand & note all you say. If I could  
down next "Sunday", would it inconvenience  
you any, to go over things with you?  
or would it be better, that we could  
accomplish more on a week day?  
Appreciate very much the interest you  
are taking in my behalf, I re-  
main -

Very truly yours

JK Schwarz

P.S.

Please answer by return mail in  
enclosed envelope - "Thank you" -



March 23, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwartz,  
Lordsburg, N. M.

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

In reply to your letter received this morning,  
I will be please to have you call at my home  
this coming Sunday morning.

Awaiting your arrival, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
1016 Olive St.

FZ:LG



GUSTAVO ARCE CORREA GUSTAVO ARCE CANO  
ABOGADOS

PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10  
TELS. 2-93-46 2-53-06 L 67-68

MEXICO, D. F.  
July 17., 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
Nat. Coun. of Jewish Women.  
1016 Olive St.  
El Paso.- Tex.  
U.S. of A.

Madame:

I'm very glad to know you have returned to your home specially if you feel really recovered at all.

As you can see for the attached copy, duly signed, orders transmitted to H. Consul in Hamburg, it is to give VISA to Steiffel family as INMIGRANTES, not as tourist. It will be very good, you send this official copy to your client in order to show the same to H. Consul, making to him all special and particular considerations on the case.

The same copy can be exhibited to the Holland Government's officials explaining clearly the case in order to know that the Mexican Government extended permit to Steiffel as INMIGRANTES, and it is permanently just because that people will be in Mexico just until their registration number is called to enter U.S.

Anny how I shall be very pleased to send the cable you mention to Mexican Consul, when you answer this letter, because the amount of expenses will be Dls. 16.00. or 17.

I thank you for the news you give me on the Schulmeister case.

On the Harmelin case I assure you this is the most difficult and unfortunately case we have handled, not for so much actual difficulty, but just for personal obstacles on the personal of the offices.

Mr. Harmelin wrote to me that he has a lawyer that can fix the matter at once; and as I appreciate very much Mr. Harmelin, please tell him that I leave the matter to Mr. Franco Urias who has cooperated hardly in the case.

Thanking you for your prompt reply,

I'm yours very truly.

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

*Gustavo Arce*  
Attorney.



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ABOGADOS

PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10  
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MEXICO, D. F.

March 29, 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
Field Executive of  
National Council of Jewish Women  
El Paso Section.  
1616 Olive St. - El PASO.-Tex.

Madame:

I am very glad to answer your letter March 27, on the matter of visas, your Council is interested.

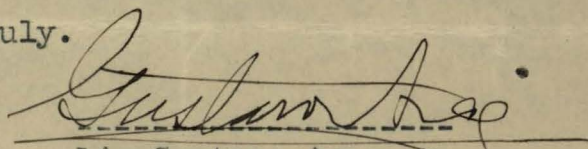
Considering the great number of strangers willing to sejour in Mexico, it is really very difficult to obtain all the visas solicited; but any how I shall be glad to take all cases interesting your Section in order to do my best in securing the permissions.

In all cases each person <sup>will</sup> deposit in a Mexican Bank, specially designed, approximately Dls 40.00- 50.00. monthly, it is to say ~~about~~ Dls.300.00 for their expenses in six months, while in Mexico.

The cost, including all expenses, will be Dls.100.00.- by person or family, no more than three members, and Dls.25.00 by person exceeding. Payment must be made 33 % at once and - 66 % when visas secured.

If you desire to consider STIEFEL case at once, please let me know as sone as possible.

Your very truly.

  
Lic. Gustavo Arce.  
Attorney at law.

Please return this letter to ~~Me~~, as soon as you have read same.

Mrs. F. Zlabovsky



March 31, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwartz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

I am inclosing herewith letter received from the Attorney I wrote to in Mexico City in reference to your case, which is self explanatory.

After reading this letter thru thoroughly, would appreciate your returning same to me, and at the same time advise me what your wishes are in this matter.

Awaiting your early advice, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

IG:S



April 4, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce, Attorney  
Calle Palma No. 39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, and wish to state that the relatives of the Stiefel family are interested and will be glad to take care of the financial obligations.

However, it is not quite clear to us the exact amount in this case. Do you consider this a family of three, and would the \$100 you mention for a family of three take care of this case? Do wish us to send American or Mexican money for the retainers fee 33-1/3%? How soon will it be necessary to make the bank deposits required? Will these people be able to enter Mexico through Vera Cruz after the visas are issued by the Mexican Consul abroad?

I suppose you are fully cognizant of the fact that all Passports issued to Jewish people in Germany have the letter "J" which does not permit them to return to the Country of their birth. In this case should the Steifel family be admitted into Mexico, they will not be able to enter the United States until the termination of the two years which is one of the Transportation laws of the United States. How will you be able to take care of this matter?

My plan in this case is that they should make their home in Agua Prieto, and try to secure for them a Visitor's visa into the United States for a period of about three months, and then have them return to Mexico to await their quota number.

Please let me know by return mail how soon you can start work on this case, and the amount of money to be sent to you, also your opinion of the various questions above asked.

Thanking you for your usual prompt advice, I am

Yours very truly,



April 5, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwartz,  
Lordsburg, N. M.

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Please be informed that Mrs. L. H. Robinson, 1223 E. San Antonio Street, El Paso, Texas, found your papers while on her way to Church, and has turned them over to me. I am now sending them on to you, with the exception of the letter from Mexico, and would appreciate your acknowledging receipt of them to Mrs. Robinson.

I have already written to the lawyers in Mexico City, and will advise you as soon as I hear from them.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:LG  
(ENCS)



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MEXICO, D. F.

April 6, 1939.

Mrs. F. H. Zlabovsky.  
National Council of Jewish Women.  
El Paso Section.  
1016 Olive St.  
El Paso.-Tex.

Madame:

Your letter April 4.

For your information I consider Stiefel family of three members, as a case, for Dls. 100.00.

You can send, as you please, Mexican or American Money for retainers fee.

The bank deposits must be made as soon as possible, when the Government dispose, and before the international.

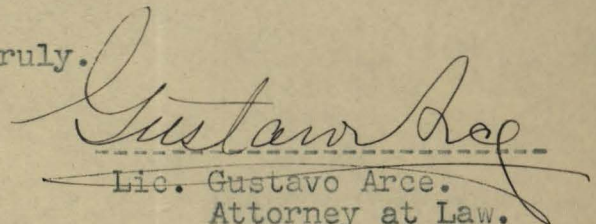
It is be able to enter through Veracruz.

Considering the fact you mention in your letter, about the passport "J" I shall have a very hard work in the case, but I - shall be glad to take care of the same in order to obtain the Visitor's visa you asked for.

I note your Agua Prieta's plan, and I recommend when that people is in their home, and before to enter into United States, to put in communication with me, in order to handle the matter properly.

As soon as you send me retainers fee, (Dls. 33.33.) I shall start work on the case.

I am yours very truly.

  
Lic. Gustavo Arce.  
Attorney at Law.



April 10, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwartz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

I am just in receipt of a letter from Mexico City, as follows:

Your letter April 4.

For your information I consider Stiefel family of three members, as a case for Dls. 100.00. You can send, as you please. Mexican or American Money for retainers fee. The bank deposits must be made as soon as possible, when the Government disposes, and before the internation. It is be able to enter through Veracruz. Considering the fact you mention in your letter, about the Passports "J" I shall have a very hard work in the case, but I shall be glad to take care of the same in order to obtain the Visitor's visa you asked for. I note your Agua Prieta's plan and I recommend when that people is in their home, and before to enter into United States, to put in communication with me, in order to handle the matter properly. As soon as you send me retainer's fee, (Dls. 33.33.) I shall start work on the case."

Upon receipt of your check made out to Gustavo Arce for the sum of \$33.33, I shall send it to him and ask him to work on this case as quickly as possible.

With kindest regards to your wife and self, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.

FZ:LG



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

4/11/39.

Mrs Frank Zlahowsky  
El Paso Tex.

"Dear Mrs Zlahowsky"

Rec. your letter this  
morning & note all you say - Enclosed  
find "Cashier's Check" for \$33 33 drawn in  
favor of "Gustavo Arce" - "Mrs Zlahowsky",  
please have your "Mexican Attorney"  
understand, that after we get the Visas  
with the letter "T" on same, that we  
will not encounter trouble in having  
the Mexican authorities honor them,  
so my people will be able to land  
at "Vera Cruz" etc. Thanking you for  
your trouble, until you are better  
paid. With our best wishes -  
Very truly yours  
J R Schwarz



April 13, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma 39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., with reference to the Stiefel family, and in accordance with your request, I am inclosing herewith check for \$33.33 as a retainer fee.

I would appreciate your starting on this case immediately and let me hear from you in regard to the matter at your earliest possible convenience.

Awaiting your early response, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
Field Executive.

FZ:LG  
(ENC)



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MEXICO, D. F.  
April 15., 1939.

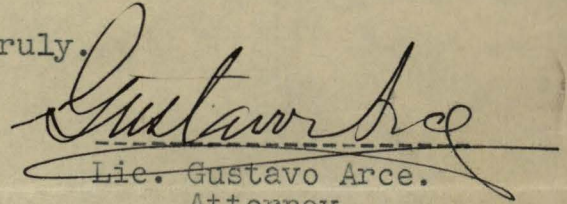
Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
Field Executive.  
National Council of Jewish Women.  
El Paso.- Texas.- U.S.A.

Madame:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th. inst.  
and check for \$ 33.33.

I am immediately starting on the Stiefel case and I -  
shall be very glad to advise you as earliest as possible all  
details on the matter.

Yours very truly.

  
Lie. Gustavo Arce.  
Attorney.



4/29/39.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
El Paso Tex.

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky"

Had a letter from my  
folks in "Germany" yesterday, getting very  
anxious for their "Mexican Visas".  
How are we progressing, Mrs S. E. Can  
you give me any idea when we can  
expect them? Mrs S., they want to bring  
a lot of new stuff with them, in  
order to use their money there in  
Germany - such as Electric Ice box  
etc. I have written them several times,  
not to bring too much over here.  
What are the status on that now?  
Do they have to pay duty on all  
such stuff? Please let me know.



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SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

on that, if you can. Enclosed find  
part of "Jewish Voice" regarding  
immigration. Are things really as  
bad as all that over there?  
Supposing they got their "Mexican"  
"Vixas" if then, they cannot use  
them? Are you having any luck  
getting our people over now?  
Please let me hear from you, regarding  
where they want to bring, with  
them? Suppose you saw my good  
wife on Thursday. Hate to bother  
you with all this, but I want to give  
them the proper answer. With our  
best wishes.  
Yours very truly,  
Julius R. Schwarz



May 2, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwarz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 29th ult.,  
I wish to state that the Mexican Lawyer advises that he  
is taking immediate steps to get the Visas for your folks.

The articles in the Paper would not apply to your family,  
because of their age, and such reports as we receive from  
our Agencies advise that Germany will not hinder the departure  
of people over 50. I would strongly urge that they bring as  
little as possible with them because the German Government  
demands that American money be paid for freight and since  
they are coming to Mexico on a Tourist Visa, the Mexican  
Government will not appreciate their bringing ice-boxes or  
furniture. They will use that as a means of refusal at  
Port of Entry on the grounds that they are falsifying and  
wish to stay in Mexico permanently. In advising you, it  
is because I am anxious to see your family come into Mexico  
without difficulty. They may bring wearing apparel, but it  
is also known to us that the German Government examines all  
baggage and in one case when a woman had six pairs of new  
silk hose, three pairs were taken away from her because the  
German authorities decided that three pair were enough for  
any woman. This is just an example of what really happens  
before people are permitted to leave Germany.

Please be assured that we will do everything possible to  
expedite their entry into Mexico and then later into the  
United States.

With kindest personal regards to your wife and yourself,  
I am

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky



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ABOGADOS

PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10

TELS. 2-93-46 2-53-06 L 67-68

MEXICO, D. F.

May 6. 1939.

Mrs. F. H. Zlabovsky.  
National Council of Jewish Women.  
El Paso Section.  
1016 Olive St.  
El Paso.- Tex.

Madame:

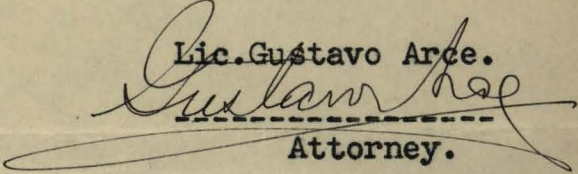
I acknowledge receipt of your tel. May 6. from Ciudad Juarez,  
ordering me to take care of the case Mr. Heinrich Harmelein.

I'm thereupon presenting my instance to the Government;  
and I must inform you that the case was not yet admitted whe Mr.  
Har, elein recived the tel. Nr. 9920; and so we will start in the  
case.

The Stiefel case was admitted, and it is sure it will be in  
cluded in Jan's QUOTA; but I'm doing my best in order to secure  
the same in the QUOTA of May.

Yours very truly.

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

  
Attorney.



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ABOGADOS

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MEXICO, D.F.  
May 15, 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
National Council of Jewish Women.  
El Paso Section.  
1016 Olive St.  
El Paso. Tex.

Madame:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 13.

The Harmelein case must be ended in a few days, and I shall be glad to advise you.

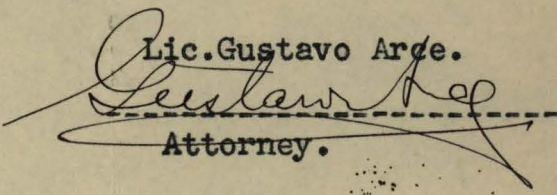
In the Steifel case, when I have the orders in my hand, we - will send the same by cable or air mail, at your convenience, to Mexican Consul in Hamburgue or in Paris. A copy of the orders must be sende by us to Mr. Steiffel in order to get the visa in the Consulate, and must also present certificate of legal - marriage. If you preffer air mail, I can send you the documents; - but if by cable, I must deposite the telegram in the main office here. Please advise me which way and Consulate you preffer.

Deposit for expenses, per persone, must be made previously, it is to say, when Bank is designed.

Thanking you for your attention,

I am yours very truly.

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

  
Attorney.



7/15/39

Mrs Frank Zlabovsky  
El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky"

Your letter received  
yesterday & am very glad to read the  
good news in same. We hope the Attor.  
neys in "Mexico" will soon get good  
results. Thanking you very much for  
keeping me informed. With kindest  
regards & best wishes to yourself &  
family from us both.

Very truly yours

Julius R Schwarz



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

6/23/39.

Mrs Sol Goldfarb.  
El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Goldfarb:"

Your letter of 6/19/39 received  
and thank you very much for sending my letter  
to "Mrs Zlabovsky" - Just returned yesterday  
from California. Before leaving there, I scouted around  
a bit, regarding a temporary permit from the  
U.S. to transport my folks from San Pedro  
Calif. to Agua Prieta Mexico, where they are  
to reside for a while. Talked with the Mgr  
of the "Holland American Line," from whom they  
have purchased their tickets in "Hamburg" Germany  
from Rotterdam to Vera Cruz Mexico. He phoned  
the U.S. Custom House in L.A. & they informed  
him, that such a permit could be secured  
by posting a U.S. Bond etc. As your office  
has charge of all this affair, do not want  
to start elsewhere - "Mrs Goldfarb." I intend



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

5/23/39.

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky"

Enclosed find letter  
you wished returned to you. Note, what  
Attorney, has to say. I cabled my folks  
yesterday morning, to have patience, that  
they would receive their visas soon.  
Wishing you a lovely trip to  
New York & that you will be  
much benefited. Sincerely Yours

Julius R Schwarz



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MEXICO, D. F.

May 17, 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
1016. Olive St.  
El Paso. Tex.  
U.S.A.

STIEFEL CASE.  
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Madame:

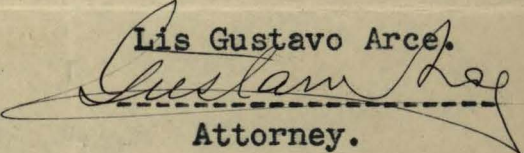
I am enclosing herewith a copy of permission sended to the Foreign Office for entry into Mexico, through Veracruz, in favor of STIEFEL family.

Our Foreign Office is sending orders to the Mexican Consul in Hamburgue, (Germany), for the visa, as you can see. Those orders must be sended officialy BY AIR MAIL at my COST, and I shall be glad to send you, as soon as obtained, a copy of the document addressed to the Mexican Consul. Please send Dls.-- 66.67. as my fee in the case.

Hoping that you and your association will be satisfied,

I am yours very truly.

Lis Gustavo Arce.

  
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Attorney.

- Please send retainer fee for the Harmlein case.



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C O R R E O G R A M A.

Mexico, D. F., mayo 11 de 1939.

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Al C.  
Srío de Relaciones Exteriores.  
Ciudad.

C. Mo. \_\_\_\_\_ He de merceder a usted se sirva girar

instrucciones a nuestro Consulado que corresponda para que documente a los señores JOSEF STIEFEL, HENRIETTA S. STEFEL y AENA SHUTZ, de nacionalidad alemana, que residen en Lunan A. D. (Lippe, Natfa--len) Alemania, en calidad de inmigrantes por un termino de seis -- meses con el caracter de rentistas, debiendo comprobar previamente que traeran consigo la cantidad de \$ 1,800.00 por lo menos para sus gastos personales durante la temporalidad autorizada, y que no existe en su pais de origen impedimento alguno para ser readmitidos en caso necesario, siendo advertidos de que en el puerto de entrada deberan otorgar garantia de repatriacion por la cantidad de \$ 750.00 (SETECIENTOS CINCUENTA PESOS) cada uno y de que no -- podran dedicarse a ningunas actividades remuneradas o lucrativas; todo lo anterior de conformidad con lo dispuesto en los Articulos 85, 75 y 84 de la Ley de Poblacion y 11 de las Tablas Diferencia--les/

Atentamente.

P. O. DEL C. SECRETARIO  
EL OFICIAL MAYOR.

Lic. Agustín Lanza, Jm.

- c.c. Al sr. Gustavo Arce.- Párra 39 Despachos 9-10, Ciudad, como resultado de sus gestiones.
- c.c. A la Oficina de Poblacion, Veracruz, Ver. debiendo advertirse a los interesados del requisito del registro de que ---- habla el Art. 44 de la Ley de Poblacion vigente.
- c.c. Al Control de Vencimientos.
- c.c. A Contratos y Fianzas.
- c.c. Al Rev. y Critica de Doc.
- c.c. Al Depto. Demografico.

Hf.mr.  
16933.



JOSEPH STIEFEL,  
C/o Mra. Sol. Goldfarb,  
El Paso National Bank Bldg.,  
El Paso, Texas.-

Ctas. de cheques M.N.

EN CUENTA DE CHEQUES CON EL  
**BANCO NACIONAL DE MEXICO, S. A.**  
SUCURSAL EN C. Juarez, Chih.

Sírvase Examinar esta cuenta inmediatamente. Esta cuenta se considerará aceptada por el cliente si no se nos notifica lo contrario durante el término que señala el artículo 39 de la Ley General de Instituciones de Crédito.

Clave de las abreviaturas	ACT	A cuenta	G P	Gastos protesto
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	COM E	" endoso	P	Pagaré
	COM FC	" falso cobro	PTS	Pesetas
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	D E	Devolución endoso	REM	Remesa
	DL	Dólares	REM E	" s/extranjero
	E	Entrega	S	Situación
	EC	Error corregido	S CC	Saldo carta crédito
	FR	Francos	S E	Saldo endoso
	G	Giro	S FR	Francos Suizos
	G E	" s/extranjero	S R	Seguro Remesa
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			V	Valores

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<p><b>MUY IMPORTANTE.</b> EVITE QUE SUS COPIAS DE CUENTA PUEDAN LLEGAR A PODER DE EXTRANOS. INFORMANOS SU DIRECCION EXACTA Y COMUNICANOS CUALQUIER CAMBIO DE DOMICILIO.</p>							

Este estado se rinde para que el cliente pueda rectificar su cuenta sin que haya necesidad de balancear su libreta de depósitos, evitando así pérdidas de tiempo. Es muy conveniente examinar estos estados y archivarlos.

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La última cantidad en esta columna es su Saldo.



GUSTAVO ARCE CORREA GUSTAVO ARCE CANO  
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PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10  
TELS. 2-93-46 2-53-06 L 67-68  
MEXICO, D. F.

June 6, 1939.

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb.  
Nat'l Coun'l of Jewish Women.  
1016. Olive St.  
El Paso.- Tex.  
U.S. of A.

Re.- Stiefel case.  
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Madame:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter June 5.

I am very glad to know that, in accordance with instructions received by Mr Stiefel, from the Mexican Consul in Germany, a deposit of 2500 pesos was been made in the Banco Nacional de Mexico, C. Juarez, Chih., to the account of Joseph Stiefel.

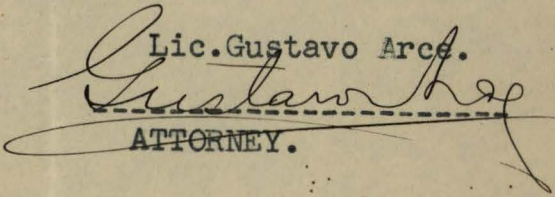
Please send, as soon as posible, the note of deposit to Mr. Stiefel, as necessary evidence for the Consul.

Attached to my letter of May 31, I sent you copy of telegram addressed to Mexican Consul, in Hamburgue, & my bill for the same, as per your instructions.

Thanking you for your attentions,

I'm yours very truly,

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

  
ATTORNEY.



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he filled out in Wm. Stiefel's name wi

Trusting this has been handled to your satisfaction, and if there is any way I can be of further assistance to you, please call on me.



June 7, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma 39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce:

Re: Stiefel Case.

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of May 31st, I am attaching hereto Cashier's Check No. 177560 to cover cost of cable sent to Germany in the amount of \$14.74.

You will also find inclosed copy of letter from the El Paso National Bank to the Banco Nacional de Mexico, S. A. Cd. Juarez, Chih. Mexico, confirming the transfer of 2500 Pesos to that bank, as requested by the Consul in Germany. I am this day forwarding official note of deposit, also identification cards for signature of Mr. Stiefel as outlined in your letter of May 23rd.

I would appreciate your advising me when it will be necessary to put up the money for the personal bonds of 750 Pesos each, and how that is to be handled.

Awaiting your early advice, and thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

By Mrs. Sol Goldfarb, Sec'y.

LG/ws  
(ENCS)

*Please advise status of Hornsby coal?*



BANCO NACIONAL DE MEXICO, S. A.

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Cd. Juárez, Chihuahua

~~JOSEPH STIEFEL~~

~~c-o Mrs. Sol Goldfarb~~

~~El Paso National Bank Building~~

~~El Paso, Texas.~~

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		de el Paso Natl. Bk	
		Asiento nuevo.	
		gr Beos. del Ext.	
		cc: Mrs. Sol Goldfarb	



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Banco Nacional de Mexico, S. A.  
Cd. Juarez, Chih.  
M e x i c o

May senores nuestros y amigos:

Tenemos el gusto de confirmar nuestra conferencia telefonica de ayer con su muy apreciable Sr. Negrete, mediante la cual les suplicamos que con cargo a nuestra cuenta se sirvieran abrir una cuenta nueva en sus libros a nombre del Sr. Josef Stiefel por orden de la Sra. Sol Goldfarb por la cantidad de \$2,500.00 moneda nacional. Para cubrirles esta operacion, adjunto les estamos enviando nuestro duplicado de credito y una tarjeta provisional con la firma del Sr. J. R. Schwartz, quien estara autorizado a girar contra la cuenta arriba mencionada.

Esperamos nos habran mandado sus formas acostumbradas, las cuales haremos que sean completadas debidamente y una vez requisitadas, tendremos gusto en devolverlas. Asimismo suplicamos a ustedes enviarnos tres copias de la nota de credito correspondiente.

Les damos las debidas gracias por su atencion a nuestra suplica y nos reiteramos de ustedes atentos amigos y seguros servidores

Jules R. Carlin,  
Assistant Cashier

Jmm  
cc-Mrs. Sol Goldfarb  
El Paso National Bank Bldg.



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Lic. Gustavo Arce.  
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May 31., 1939.

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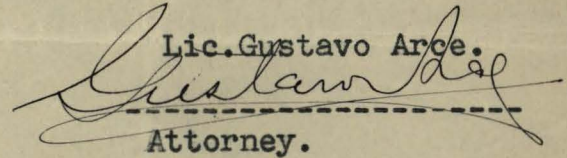
Re.- STEIFEL case.  
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Madame:

I'm very glad to advise you, as per your instruction that I sent the official telegram ordering to the Mexican Consul, in Hamburg, to extend the visa in the Steifel case.

Please find the attached copy of the said telegram, and bill of charges for the same.

I am yours very truly.

  
Lic. Gustavo Arce.  
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Attorney.



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C O P Y

June 9th, 1939

Re: Steifel case  
Schulmeister case

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
1016 Olive Street,  
El Paso, Texas,  
U. S. A.

Madam:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 7, and the attached check correct. Thank you.

I note that you forwarded official note of deposit to Mr. Steifel.

Bonds of \$750.00 per person will be put up in the MIGRATION office in Ciudad Juarez or in Veracruz or Mexico City at the time of the entry or some days before.

I'm very glad to inform you that Mr. Wendell A. Phillips, H. Rabbi of the Temple Mount Sinai, in a letter of June 7, says to me: "I appreciate very much your efforts on behalf of the Schulmeister family and your letter of May 2nd. Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky has taken over the management of the case."

For instructions of the H. Rabbi Mr. Phillips to my friend Lic. Franco Urias I handled this case satisfactory, I wrote to Mr. Franco Urias Office, and to Mr. Phillips, on the matter of my fee, and just now I'm receiving this news, and I shall appreciate you to send me a check for the amount of my fee.

Thanking you kind attention,

I'm yours very truly,

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

Attorney

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June 12, 1939.

Mr. J. B. Schwarz,  
 Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

With further reference to my letter of June 7th, I wish to advise that upon communicating with Mrs. Zlabovsky, she has informed me that before her departure for New York she discussed the arrangement for bond with you. She stated that she advised you to have your relatives in Germany use their own money there for bonds, as their money there would not be good for any other purpose and at the same time be saving to you. She also stated that you had advanced \$10 towards the cable expense, which I wrote you about, and asked me to explain to you that immediately upon her return she will straighten out all these little details.

No doubt you have already transmitted the deposit slip and cards to Mr. Stiefel as requested, and are awaiting their return.

If there is any way that I can be of further assistance to you, please call on me.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb,  
Secretary.

LG/ws



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

6/13/39.

Mrs Sol Goldfarb

El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Goldfarb,"

Have been here in Long Beach  
for a few days, therefore the delay in ans-  
wering your 'last letter', rec a day or  
two ago from Mrs Schwarz. Have noted all  
you say & wrote letter & sent Bank  
card to Josef Stiefel Germany, as per your  
request. Things are moving along nicely,  
they have rec. their visas, and are arran-  
ging their trip to Vera Cruz, of course  
there is lots to be done yet, in order  
to have my relatives with me. When  
you need the additional funds for the  
Mexican Bonds, let me know & I shall  
send you a check to cover same -  
(over)



Hope the card I filled out is correct  
done - In the meantime, I wish  
to thank you for everything you  
have done for us - With our best wishes  
to you & your family -

Very Truly Yours

Julius R Schwab

P.S.  
How is Mrs Glabovsky getting along?  
please remember us to her when  
you write - I will be home in about  
a week -



June 13, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma #39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Re: Stiefel Case

Dear Mr. Arce:

Replying to your letter of June 6th, wish to state under date of June 7th, I mailed you Cashier's Check for \$14.74 to cover cable costs as outlined in your letter of May 31st. Also sent you copy of letter from bank showing where deposit of \$2500 had been made in the name of Josef Stiefel. On that day we also forwarded deposit slips and identification cards to Mr. Stiefel for signature and presentation to the Consul in Germany.

If for any reason the above letter was not received by you, please notify me at once.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb,  
Secretary..

LG/ws



Long Beach Calif.  
6/18/39.

SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

Mrs Sal Goldfarb

El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Goldfarb"

Just a few lines for today  
to tell you I received two letters from  
my folks in "Germany", telling that the  
German Govt. will only allow them to pass  
their tickets to Vera Cruz only.  
In that event, we have to buy their  
transportation from "Vera Cruz" to Agu  
Prieta, which would be quite expensive  
as I suggested to Mrs Zlabovsk  
once - if possible to have them come  
to "San Pedro Harbor Calif" & get  
Mission from the U.S. Govt. to let  
me transport them from San Pedro  
to "Agu Prieta" with my car, this  
would be much easier for all con  
cerned, besides, they could use their



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own money for their journey all the way  
and would be quite a saving to us.  
They are now intending of leaving  
Amsterdam Holland to Vera Cruz  
by boat on the 17<sup>th</sup> of August, two  
months from now & we have plenty time  
to make that change, if at all  
possible. Please let me know  
at Lordsburg, as I am leaving here  
Wednesday for home, what your views  
are in that matter can such things  
be arranged? Have their Mexico Bonds  
been posted? Sorry I am such a bother  
to you, but cannot call on anyone else.  
Thanking you again for your trouble I am  
sincerely, I remain with best wishes  
Julius R Schwarz  
When do you look for Mrs Zlabovsky's return?



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I have today written Mr. Schwarz that I am forwarding  
this letter and your for reply - If the case is to be  
notified let me know at once, or write him  
direct - In view of the case's demand for fee  
in Schulmeister case, perhaps it is best for you  
not to write him for time being - This a.m.  
finally rec'd letter from Anne in answer  
to my general letter asking for status on  
Harmelin case. He said it was very hard  
because of irregularities in beginning but  
doing his best and hope for good news  
within few days - How I hope for good  
news, even more than Harmelin! Poor  
fellow, he is meek as a lamb these days, and  
looks like Nell -

Hope all is well with you and your  
Regards to all.

Leona



June 19, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwarz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

In acknowledging receipt of your letter of June 18th, I regret that I am not in position to advise whether or not the change of route can be made as outlined in your letter.

Therefore, I am today forwarding your letter to Mrs. Zlabovsky by airmail, and she no doubt will advise you direct whether or not the change can be made. Regarding your inquiry about Mrs. Zlabovsky, she is expected home within the next two weeks.

Do not feel that you are a bother, and if there is anything I can do, please do not hesitate to write.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb.

LG/ws



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LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

of coming to El Paso next Monday to look  
into this matter, as we have to act quick  
as my folks have purchased their tickets  
to sail on August 17<sup>th</sup> for Vera Cruz.  
In this way, I can personally move them  
from San Pedro to Mexico if they can look  
after their own Baggage etc to clear it in the  
Custom house which I understand I could  
not do. Could you personally go with me  
to the U.S. Custom official when I come  
down or do you think it would be better  
to wait for Mrs Zlabarsky, if she will  
be home in about a week or so. This change  
if we could make it, would mean some  
for all concerned. I can furnish U.S. Bonds  
anytime. It seems necessary for them to  
have all these papers, before they can convince  
U.S. Consul in Hamburg that they will  
not remain in U.S. Please let me know if I shall  
come down next Monday or wait for Mrs Z. Could you inquire  
w Custom Officials, if they would issue the (over)



permit, by satisfying them, with Bond and  
assurance, that they are on their way  
to Mexico - Again thanking you for  
everything. I remain Very truly Yours

Julius R. Schwarz



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

6/27/39.

Mrs Sol Goldfarb  
El Paso Tex  
"Dear Mrs Goldfarb"

Thank you very much for  
your prompt attention. Note all you say  
in your letter & have destroyed same.  
It is just one of those things that can't  
be changed, tho it would have meant  
so much to me, etc. There is nothing  
more I can write about except I wish  
to thank you again for what you have done  
for me. When "Mrs Zlabovsky" returns,  
I shall come down on a "Sunday" & go  
over things again, regarding their land  
in Vera Cruz & their further travel  
thru Mexico to Agua Prieta. With our  
best wishes to yourself & family -

Sincerely,  
Julius R. Schwarz



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

6/28/39.

Mrs Sol Goldfarb  
El Paso Tex  
Dear Mrs Goldfarb.

Just a line for today.  
Rec. another letter from my folks in  
Germany - It seems they are having trouble  
securing their visas, without the Mex  
bond. Will you please check up, if I  
have enough money left in your care  
to secure this bond. You may have  
to write to the attorney in Mexico again  
if this part has been fulfilled -  
Would like to have everything in shape  
so when I come down to El Paso  
again, that I can cable my folks  
that all is in order -

Thanks for all troubles, I am enclosing  
With our best wishes  
Yours Sincerely  
Julius Goldfarb



June 29, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwarz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

Acknowledging your letter of the 28th inst., with reference to bonds for your relatives, wish to state I have in my files a recent letter from Mrs. Zlabovsky in regard to this matter.

She stated that if it were possible for your relatives to use their own money in Germany for that purpose for them to do so, but if not agreeable to the authorities there, to arrange for their bond through a bonding Company in Mexico. In that Country you do not have to put up the cash collateral, as you do in the U.S., but merely pay for the bond, which would amount to about \$30.00.

Unless you think it urgent that this be arranged immediately, I believe this can all be arranged immediately upon the return of Mrs. Zlabovsky, who will be here on or before July 10th. If, you prefer that arrangements be made sooner, please let me know, and I will be pleased to write the Attorney.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb,

LG/ws



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S/S "Spaarndam" 17.8.39 Rotterdam/Mexico - Kabin 9 und 2/B

Wir kommen zurück auf unser Schreiben vom 24.6. und möchten Sie der guten Ordnung halber darauf aufmerksam machen dass Ihnen wahrscheinlich die Holländischen Grenzbehörden die Durchreise durch Holland verweigern werden, wenn Sie nur im Besitze einer Rückfahrkarte und eines Visums sind, welches Sie anscheinend nicht berechtigt, überhaupt in Mexico zu bleiben. Wir möchten Sie höflichst bitten, uns eine Fotokopie des Ihnen erteilten Visums einzusenden.

Hochachtungsvoll  
Phs. van Ommeren (Hamburg) GmbH.



7/5/39.

Mrs Sol Goldfarb.  
El Paso Tex.

"Dear Mrs Goldfarb."

Assuming your letter of  
June 29<sup>th</sup>, Will say, since then, have  
received a letter & cablegram from  
my folks in Germany, stating they  
still have trouble & worry to get their  
passes & tickets. If "Mrs Zlabovsky" will  
be back by next "Sunday" July 9<sup>th</sup>, I  
would come down to see her. Is there any  
chance "Mrs Goldfarb" that she might be home  
by that date? I have cabled them today, to  
take it easy, that we are doing all we  
can to help them out. If "Mrs Zlabovsky" is  
much delayed, we will have to work together  
& get busy somehow about their Mexican  
Bond. Best wishes Dr. K. Schwarz (If necessary use  
phone my expense)



July 7, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwarz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

In reply to yours of the 5th, wish to state that Mrs. Zlabovsky is expected home on the evening of July 12th.

Unless you think the matter too urgent to wait until the morning of July 13th, when Mrs. Zlabovsky will attend to it, I believe it best to wait for her. She understands these matters thoroughly, where, frankly, I must admit, this would be a new experience along those lines, for me. I will be glad to help you to the best of my ability if you feel that you should come down, but since it is only a few days more, perhaps you can hold it off until then.

Whatever you decide to do, let me know. In-the-mean-time, we are forwarding an airmail special delivery letter to her today, and explaining the situation to her. No doubt, if she considers the matter urgent, she will wire us instructions, and if I hear from her, will contact you immediately either by wire or telephone.

Trusting this is satisfactory to you, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb.



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

7/7/39.

Mrs. Sol Goldfarb  
El Paso Tex

"Dear Mrs Goldfarb"

Your letter received this morning & thank you for information, regarding Mrs Glabovsky. We will wait until she returns. "Mrs Schwarz" left on her vacation yesterday & am practically alone in the store & can only come down on a Sunday. Let me suggest this, in order to expedite matters, if she could run down on the train to Lordsburg before the following Sunday, with all data, we could save a few days, I will pay all expenses & see that she will have a nice dinner her etc. of course, this is asking quite a bit, after her long journey from N. M. - If not will come down on Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>. My folks have purchased tickets



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sailing from "Amsterdam Holland" on  
August 17<sup>th</sup> which is only 30 days  
away from that Sunday & if it seems  
we still have a lot to accomplish  
for them to get all papers in order  
"Mrs Goldfarb" you donot have to answer  
this, until Mrs Z. comes home, as I will  
understand. Again thanking you for  
your trouble & work I am with our best  
Wishes to yourself & family.

Very truly Yours

Julius R Schwarz



July 16, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma #39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce:      Re: Steifel Case.

I have just returned to my desk after being out of the City for several weeks due to illness, and find the following complications with reference to the above case.

From letters received from the Steifel family, they are informed by the Mexican Consulate in Hamburg as follows:

"The Government of Mexico has advised their Consulates not to give Visas to Jews if they have permission to enter Mexico as Tourists only."

It is therefore necessary that the Return Clause be entirely dropped so that these people may continue their plans to enter Mexico.

A letter from the Holland American Steamship Line writes the following letter under date of June 24th. "We refer to your letter of June 24th and want to call your attention that the Frontier Officials of Holland will refuse you transit to Holland unless you are in possession of a Visa which allows you to stay permanently in Mexico."

You will recall my communication in which I placed the plans for this case before you, that it is our intention to have them enter the United States when their registration number is called from Germany to be transferred to the American Consul in Mexico. That is still our plan, but since the Mexican Government makes the aforesaid demands and the Steamship Company also requires the guarantee for permanent entry, I will greatly appreciate your taking this matter up at once by cable at our expense with the Mexican in Hamburg, Germany.



Gustavo Arce,  
No. 2.

The Steifel's have applied for transportation on the Holland American Line for August 17th, and am anxious that their Visas are cleared so that they may start on their journey on that date.

Upon receipt of your reply with amount expended on cable, I will reimburse you immediately.

Thanking you for your prompt attention, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:LG

P. S. I wish to assure you that the Schulmeister fee will be taken care of within the next few days, and would appreciate greatly if you would expedite matters on the Harmelin case. During my absence from the City, I was not aware that this case was still pending.



SCHWARZ'S  
READY TO WEAR  
LORDSBURG, NEW MEXICO

7/22/39.

"Dear Mrs Zlabovsky" Just a few lines,  
after our phone conversation. I hope we  
now have the proper papers, rather  
Visas, so my folks will soon be  
able to begin their trip over here.  
Am getting letters every few days, asking  
to do all we can, to let them come  
over. It is really pitiful, the way they  
are begging to do something for them.  
Want to thank you very much for your  
prompt assistance. I hope we will  
have some quick results.  
Enclosed find a few foreign stamps.

Sincerely Yours

P.S. Did not think it urgent enough  
to cable Mexico message again. Julius R. Schwarz  
Air mail makes good time & can explain much better.



July 22, 1939.

To the Honorable  
Consul General of Mexico,  
Hamburg, Germany.

Dear Sir:

We are interested in the family of Josef Steifel, Henrietta Steifel, his wife, and relative, Anna Shutz.

A letter addressed to Josef Steifel from the Holland-Amerika-Line, Hamburg, Germany, informing him of the necessity of presenting their visas before they can sail for Mexico, and would like to know why their visas have not been granted. The cable sent to you on May 31, 1939 was for the purpose of requesting the issuance of visas "InMigrantes" Rentistas, as per the enclosed copy of the cable.

These people have the necessary money to maintain themselves during their stay in Mexico and upon receipt of their quota number from the United States of America, they will join their relatives in Lordsburg, New Mexico, U. S. A. Immediately upon receipt of your advice, the bonds will be arranged for at our Juarez, Mexico Port.

If you find it necessary to communicate by cable with reference to this case, please do not hesitate to do so at our expense.

Thanking you for your kind efforts in expediting this case, I am

Most Respectfully,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,  
Field Executive.

x

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(Enc)



July 22, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma, #39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce: Re: Steifel Case

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th inst., and have read the copy of cable No. 6930 in which it instructs the Mexican Consul in Hamburg to grant Visa for six months providing these people have a guarantee that they may return to their Country. It is because of that stipulation that the Consul is holding up the Visas.

Would it be possible for you to have that clause waived so that this family may receive the necessary visa in order that they leave Germany without further delay. If you think a cable will be necessary, I will be glad to send you the money to cover the expense. However, if you think an airmail letter would explain this case more fully to the Consul, I would ask you to please take care of this immediately. You may be assured that whatever expense you may incur in this case, it will be met with upon receipt of your advice.

Please assist me in getting this case thru at the earliest possible time.

Assuring you of my earnest appreciation, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

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P. S. During my travels I have contacted many persons who are anxious to have their relatives from Germany migrate to Mexico and have given them your name and address. I am sure that in a short time you will hear from them.



July 25, 1939.

Mr. J. R. Schwarz,  
Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

Attached hereto is copy of "Power of Attorney" requiring the signature of Josef Steifel. This is merely an extra precaution which the bank is demanding in case Mr. Steifel does not draw on the account and a means of protection to you.

I would appreciate it if you would be kind enough to explain the matter to Mr. Steifel, and return both your letter and attached copy immediately, in order that I may forward them on to New York in time to make the Clipper which leaves Saturday.

Thanking you for your usual prompt attention, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:LG  
(ENC)



July 29, 1939.

Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma #39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 24th, and have given it much thought. You may recall my correspondence with reference to the Steifel case in which I mentioned to you that they are of the Jewish Race, and your answer was that altho it will be more difficult, you would succeed in getting the visas. I am now asking you to please give this your special consideration and get the visas for this case through as soon as possible. There are many other cases being held up awaiting the outcome of this and the sooner they are on their way to Mexico, just that much sooner can we jointly benefit by the new cases that are being daily brought to my attention in this office.

These people will not remain in Mexico any longer than is absolutely necessary as their ultimate destination in the United States of America.

Thanking you for your prompt attention in this matter, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:LG



GUSTAVO ARCE CORREA GUSTAVO ARCE CANO

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PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10

TELS. 2-93-46 2-53-06 L 67-68

MEXICO, D. F.

July 24.1939.

Mrs. Frank H. Slabovsky.  
1016. olive St.  
El Paso.- Tex.  
U.S. of A.

Madame:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 22.inst., and I see that the stipulation you mention avoid the Consul grant the Visa in-Steifel case, That clause is a regular stipulation provided in the law, and I'm afraid to make, now, a special call in the case, or in the point, because it would be a motive to revoke the permission. I did not know that those people cannot return to their Country, but I suggest it will be sufficient to prove to the H. Consul that those people will not return to Germany, because they will enter to the U.S.S. and will stay in Mexico just the time of the permission. If this is not sufficient, please advise me and I shall very glad to do everything in order to assist you in the case, nevertheless, now, the regulations are very restrained, it is to say, they avoid jewish people intrance, as a regular actual expedient; but I expect I shall have a special consideration of the case, in attention of the permission's date.

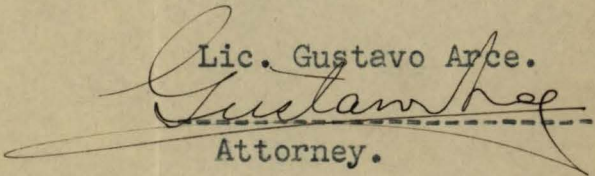
I note with pleasure that you are awaiting my check on - Schulmeister' case and that you will please send it to me.

I thanke you very much for your kind attention giving my name to your friends, and you will be sure that in any case I shall be very glad to have a special attention to your friends, nevertheless any obstacle in the moment.

Thanking you for your kind attention,

I'm yours very truly.

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

  
Attorney.



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PALMA 39, DESP. 9 Y 10

TELS. 2-93-46 2-53-06 L 67-68

MEXICO, D. F.

July 31. 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky.  
1016 Olive St.  
El Paso.- Tex.

RE.- Steifel case.  
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Madame:

I Acknowledge receipt of your letter July 29.

I recall, and I'mseeng, your correspondence in this Steiffel case, and as you can see, there is not, in the permission I sent you, reference of race. We have had many cases of Jewish people and my Gouvernement never denied the permission considering the race. You can ask, if you please, to our friend Mr. Schwarts.

You advised me that the H. Mexican Consul do not give the visa to Steifel, because they have permission as TOURISTS ONLY, and I told you that the permission is not as tourists, but as RENTISTS.

In your letter of July 22, you advised me some other thing, that it is because of the stipulation IF THEY MAY RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY, that The H. Consul is holding the visa; and in the matter I wrote you suggesting the best way it is to prove to the Consulate that Steifels may come back to Germany, and in all cases they do not intend to go back to Germany because they - will enter U.U.S.S.

If the passport of Steifel stipulate that they can not return to Germany, this is a fact you advise me now; and if they cannot get their documents in order, without this clause, we will have a hard trouble in the case, and I'm afraid the permission must be canceled; but anyway I shall be very glade to do everything to assist you, as you advise me.

In Mr. Schwarts cases, and in all cases, we /have thru when orders sended with the permission, and the foreigners must do, for their interest, all needed in their Country, to have their document in order. So, please instruct me clearly what you need I do, and I shall be very glade to assist you.

Yours very truly.

Lic. Gustavo Arce.

*Gustavo Arce*  
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Attorney.



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Mr. Gustavo Arce,  
Palma #39,  
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Mr. Arce:

Re: Steifel Case.

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of July 31st, would it be possible to advise the Honorable Consul in Hamburg that the Steifels will depart to the United States of America as soon as their numbers are issued?

We expect to receive quota numbers for them within the year, not later, as they are registered with the American Consul in Germany.

With reference to the matter of these people returning to Germany, we all know that is impossible because when they are issued their passports the letter "J" appears which bars them from reentering. However, in this case, we have no intention of their remaining in Mexico because their final destination is Lordsburg, New Mexico, U.S.A., where they have relatives who are in a position to receive them and perfectly willing to do so.

You will be conferring a great favor to me to try to clear this case. As to the racial question, I wish to take that matter up with you at a later date.

Again thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

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