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Mrs. Frank Slabovsky
1016 Olive St.,
El Paso, Texas

October 5, 1931

To the Honorable,
American Consul
Prague, Czecho-Slovakia

Dear Sir:

Herewith you will please find several documents with reference to Emanuel Blaugrund, who is making an application to you for a quota number, and we are highly pleased to be able to recommend this plea for your kind consideration.

The family of this applicant is well known in this city, having lived here a good many years, being highly respectable and financially independent.

Should there be any further information that you may desire with reference to this application, we assure you that every attempt will be made to secure same for you.

Again assuring you of our appreciation for your favorable consideration to this matter, and thanking you to acknowledge receipt of this letter, we beg to remain,

Yours very sincerely,

EL PASO SECTION NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

By

Fannie H. Slabovsky

FIELD EXECUTIVE, DEPT. SERVICE FOR FOREIGN BORN

P. S. Please reply to the address at top of this letter.

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AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. November 17, 1931.

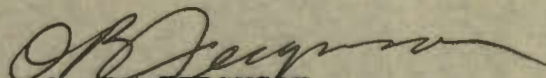
Mr. Emanuel Blaugrund,
124 - 16th of September Street,
C i u d a d.

Sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of October 5, 1931, addressed to the American Consul at Prague, Czechoslovakia, with reference to your application for a quota number for entry into the United States.

The above letter with its enclosures, affidavits and letters, has been referred to this office for our attention, and should you care to take further action in the matter, I suggest that you call at this office at your convenience.

Very respectfully yours,


O. B. FERGUSON
American Vice Consul.

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Jan. 30, 1932

Mr. Isadore Hirschfield
1115 Connecticut NW Ave.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hirschfield:

Has the Nias any representation in Prague, Czecho-Slovakia? Please let me know at your very earliest convenience to whom I may write to represent a case before the American Consulate in that city.

I am writing today to Congressman Thomason of this district, who has promised to write a letter to the American Consul in Prague, with reference to the case I am interested in, namely, Maurice Blaugrund, 24 years, his address is Hovlickova Ulica C 7, Mukacova, Czecho-Slovakia. This young man has five brothers in El Paso and they are anxious for their sixth brother to join them.

Maurice has been in the university at Prague for four years, but due to Anti-Semitic uprisings, he seems to be unable to continue his studies. His desire is to study medicine and we would like to get him admitted into the United States permanently. His brothers are highly respected citizens and financially able to take care of their brother.

Any assistance you can give me in this case will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

FZ:MF

February 1, 1932

Hon. R.E. Thomason,
#228 Office Building
Washington, D.C.

IN RE :- Maurice Blaugrund

Dear Sir:-

We are informed by the Blaugrund family, Adolph, Max, Sigmund and David that you had promised to write a letter to the American Consul at Prague, Czechoslovakia relative to their brother Maurice Age 24 years.

We are anxious to know what results you have had with reference to this party as we are anxious to assist these boys in getting a quota number for their brother who they wish to send to school in the U.S.-

This boy has had 4 years of college work, but due to religious and racial prejudice he seems to be unable to continue with his studies along medical science.

It is true that the boys will get a students visa for their brother, since five of the brothers are in the U.S. four of who are loyal American citizens.

This young man would be an asset as a future American citizen and if you could get him a permit to enter the U.S. his brothers would be very happy.

What can you do to help us in getting this quota number? Kindly give this matter your earliest possible co-operation and believe us to be ,

Sincerely
Mrs. Fanie Zlabovsky, Cha

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

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

At the request of Mr. Isidore Hershfield, we wish to advise that Hias has no office in Czecho-Slovakia. We have, however, a correspondent there, namely:-

Judische Fursorge Zentrale
Maiselowa 18 111
Prague, Czecho-Slovakia

We are sure that if you will communicate with this office every attention will be given to your inquiries.

Very sincerely yours,

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R. E. THOMASON
18TH DISTRICT TEXAS

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MRS. KATE GEORGE
SECRETARY

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

February 12, 1932

Mrs. Joan Blaugrund,
415 East California Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Blaugrund:

I am just in receipt of your letter of February 8th with copy of letter addressed to me and dated February first. I did not receive this letter which must have gone astray in the mails. I am immediately taking up the case of Maurice Blaugrund both with the American Consul at Prague, and with the Immigration Bureau here and you will hear further from me at the earliest opportunity.

With assurance of my pleasure in being of any possible assistance to my friends the Blaugrunds and being of service to you,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

R. E. Thomason

February 15th 1932.

Judische Fürsorge Centralo,
Maiselowa 13 111
Prague, Czecho- Slovakia.

Dear Friends:-

We are advised by the H I A S that you are their correspondent in Czecho- Slovakia, and we are writing you at this time with reference to Maurice Blaugrund, who is a resident of Makacova, and who will no doubt call on you shortly after you receive this letter.

It is our desire to secure a quota number for this young man, to enable him to migrate into the United States, and we are trying to have him admitted especially that he can finish his educational studies here among his family and friends, and for this reason we deem it necessary and would suggest that he secure from the institution where he attended, a certificate as to his progress and qualifications, so that he can confirm the statements made in your appeal to the proper official.

His brothers here advise us that he has had four years of college work in Prague, and they all want him to come here, to continue his medical studies, but rather than for him to secure a students vise, they want him to stay here permanently. The brothers are all financially able to and will guarantee the United States Government, that this young man will not become a public charge, should he be allowed to enter the United States. Four of the five brothers here are Citizens of the United States.

He will present some documents to you, sent him by his brothers, also letters of reference, which we would ask that you use to your best advantage.

Also attached herewith are two affidavits, sworn to and signed by very prominent citizens of this City, which we trust will convince the proper official to whom you will refer this matter, that the young man Maurice Blaugrund comes well recommended.

Trusting that you will be able to assist us in this work, and awaiting your early reply as to further information or documents desired by you in this case, beg to remain,

Yours very sincerely,

F.Z:RW

Field Executive.
1016 Olive Street, El Paso, Texas.

R. E. THOMASON
10TH DISTRICT TEXAS

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MRS. KATE GEORGE
SECRETARY

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1932

Mrs. Joan B. Skidmore,
415 East California Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

In further reply to your recent letter, I enclose a letter from the Commissioner General, Bureau of Immigration, together with a circular. As I wrote you, I have addressed a letter to the American Consul at Prague, Czechoslovakia, and will send his reply to you when received. It will give me pleasure to be of all possible help to the Blaugrunds, who are my good friends, and also it's always gratifying if I may be of service to you and the other good ladies interested in helping deserving people.

With every good wish, I am,

Your friend,

R. E. Thomason

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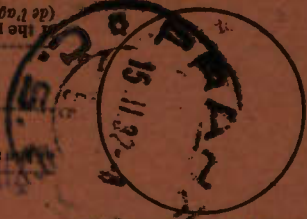
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February 19, 1932

Honorable R. E. Thomason, M. C.
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

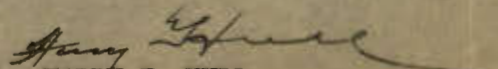
My dear Congressman Thomason:

I refer to your letter of the 12th instant with which you transmitted a communication addressed to you on February 1, 1932 by Mrs. Joan B. Skidmore of El Paso, Texas, concerning the desire of Adolph, Max, Sigmund, and David Blaugrund to have their brother Maurice come from Czechoslovakia to the United States.

Before Mr. Maurice Blaugrund may embark for this country, as an applicant for permanent admission, he will be obliged to obtain from an American Consul abroad an immigration visa charged to the quota for the country of his birth. A brother is not within a class of relatives entitled to exemption from quota limitations, or to preference under the immigration laws. As officials of the Department of State, American Consuls are vested by law with the sole authority to issue visas valid for admission to the United States. In this connection the Bureau of Immigration can not be of assistance. It is suggested that any further inquiries or representations which it may be desired to make with the object of possibly facilitating the issuance of a visa to Mr. Blaugrund be addressed to the Consul at Prague or to the Department of State, this city. Mr. Maurice Blaugrund may be governed by information presumably obtainable from the Consul at Prague relative to the condition of the quota and the approximate length of time it may be necessary for him to wait for a visa, in his turn with other nonpreference applicants of his nationality.

The United States Immigration Service can not assume jurisdiction in the case of Mr. Blaugrund in advance of his arrival at one of our ports of entry, where examination is conducted under the general requirements of the Immigration Laws. The inclosed pamphlet contains helpful information relative to the usual procedure for immigrants. Mrs. Skidmore's letter is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,


HARRY E. HULL
Commissioner General

Incl. 42520



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

Prague, Czechoslovakia, March 2, 1932.

The Honorable
R. E. Thomason,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

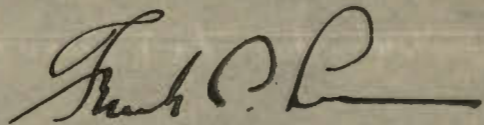
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated February 12, 1932, written in behalf of Mr. Maurice Blaugrund, a resident of Czechoslovakia, who desires to immigrate to the United States to join his brothers.

In reply, I beg to inform you that up to the present Mr. Blaugrund has not made a formal application for an immigration visa at this Consulate General. However, since the waiting list embracing farmer and nonpreference applicants, which was originally closed on February 15, 1924, was exhausted and again opened in April, 1931, Mr. Blaugrund may call at this office during the first half of any month and make a formal application for a nonpreference quota visa. Should he do so at any time in the future, you may rest assured that this Consulate General would be glad to give his case every consideration consistent with the immigration law and regulations.

In this connection it might be added that Section 3 of the Act of February 5, 1917, lists as one class of aliens who are inadmissible to the United States, persons who are likely to become a public charge, and American consular officers are required by Section 2 (f) of the Immigration Act of 1924, as amended, to refuse visas to aliens who they know or have reason to believe are inadmissible under the provisions of the immigration laws. Therefore, visas are being issued at the present

time only to such applicants who can clearly demonstrate that they have sufficient assurance of support for an extended period, in the light of the abnormal conditions of employment now prevalent, to establish that they are not persons likely to become public charges after entering the United States.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank C. Lee", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Frank C. Lee,
American Consul General.

R. E. THOMASON
16TH DISTRICT TEXAS

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MRS. KATE GEORGE
SECRETARY

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

March 29, 1932

Mrs. Joan B. Skidmore,
415 East California St.,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

In further reference to your recent letter, I am enclosing you a letter from the American Consul General at Prague.

It will give me pleasure to be of any further service within my power and you have but to call upon me.

With kind regard, I am,

Your friend,

R. E. Thomason

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