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April 4/23 1930

Dear Gentleman our Wienerberg  
I am shem to talk to <sup>you</sup> both  
he may are Jewish. Pepl say.  
Beinem benay Richmuenem  
every body in dis world does  
wrong once and what ever I  
done it was nat my fault I sault  
my ~~body~~ I did. Secrefst my life  
to put littl more to gether to  
gan back to my loving children  
and I can eat once day pies of  
Breath with my loving children  
and to leve Respecthl I am  
nath both women I am nat  
spault I didn do nating for  
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both man is the Course on it  
becaus I didn want to give him  
no more that why he did  
scuilt on <sup>me</sup> so in the name of  
our gaad Jewish cyad dan lett  
fal Mother of 3 children Dear  
gentleman you know that cyad  
gane 10 Days fram Rashaone til



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cyad far gins the Lin that's har  
& am beging the Jewish Society to  
far give me bath to taek me  
is Mother of children and to  
ting hahel tule hi mahl becaus  
if day road sand me to Hungaria  
& have no lady my father Mother  
are ~~the~~ that I am 35 years away  
fram Hungaria and my 3 Sons are  
Born in it I and my Son wil  
fist for his rixt to have his Mother  
lett dam give trial if I wil do  
any ting wrong in it I that  
time I wil taek my madecine  
& wil writte to Jewish Foster, Flame  
to Superintendent if dear is any  
he would help me he wil becaus  
& did belong to old folks home  
and I done al was in my Power  
Please sand samliary of di Ladis  
to se me. Please Mr Wiener help  
me and cyad wil help you tanking  
you fram Mother heart your Sincerely  
Rose Wiener



April 26, 1930.

Mr. Isidore Hirshfield,  
1115 Connecticut Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Re; Mrs. Rosa Weiner.

Dear Mr. Hershfield;

Mrs. Rosa Weiner is now in our County Jail as a Federal prisoner for illegal entry into the United States. She claims to have been a resident of the for thirty five years. She claims she was born in Hungary but left the United States eight years ago travelling on a Czecho- Slovakian passport accompanied by her son who is now 13½ years of age.

Some three years ago she went to Mexico and since last Sept. has been a resident of our border town Juarez. She crossed the boundary at this point on April 24th, and was immediately apprehended.

She has two other sons and a divorced husband living in Philadelphia at 2134 Summer Street. The sons are Jesse 21 years, Harry 15½ years and her husband is either Jacob or Selig Weiner.

All three of her children were born in the United States. Due to immoral charges this woman will be subject for deportation.

We are asking your advice as to what procedure to take to secure a passport for this woman so that she may be deported to the country of her birth or some other foreign country. For the sake of her children we would like to see her released from prison. She has enough money to pay her passage to any country that would receive her.

Thanking you in advance for your help in this matter.

Yours truly,

( Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky )  
Chairman Immigrant Aid  
Council of Jewish Women  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



April 26, 1930.

Miss Cecelia Razovsky,  
Dept. of Service for Foreign Born.  
799 Broadway  
New York N.Y.

Re; Mrs. Rosa Weiner

Dear Miss Razovsky,

Mrs. Rosa Weiner is now in our County Jail as a Federal prisoner for illegal entry into the United States. She claims to have been a resident of this country for thirty five years. She says she was born in Hungary but left the United States eight years ago travelling on a Czecho- Slovakian passport accompanied by her youngest son who is now 13½ years of age.

Some three years ago she went to Mexico and since last Sept. has been a resident of Juarez, our border town. She crossed the boundry at this port on April 24th. and was immediately apprehended.

She has two other sons living in Philadelphia- Philadelphia Pa. Jesse, 21 years of age and Harry 15½ also a divorced husband Jacob or Selig Weiner all living at 2134 Summer Street.

All three of her children were born in the United States. Due to immoral charges this woman will be subject for deportation.

We ask that you kindly interview her sister Mrs. Esther Weiss 279 South First Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. to find the country of her birth, and kindly advise us by what procedure it would be possibel for us to get her a passport to the country of her birth or to some foreign country. For the sake of her children we would like to see her released from prison and she has enough money to pay her passage to any country that would receive her.

Thanking you for past favors,

( Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky)  
Dept. of Service for Foreign Born  
Council of Jewish Women  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



April 26, 1930.

Mr. J. L. Weinberger,  
5A. Calle de Mina # 95  
Mexico City, Mexico.

Re; Rosa Weiner or Mrs. Max Kripitzer.

Dear Mr. Weinberger;

We have in our County Jail a Mrs. Rosa Weiner who claims she is married to Max Kripitzer of your city. His address is Cuauhtematen y 5 Febrera #4

She is in jail because of illegal entry into the United States and is subject for deportation. It is possible that we could get her deported to Mexico could we establish a legal marriage to this man.

She has no chance of remaining in the United States for she has admitted that she plied the trade of prostitution. However, we would like to get her out of jail as she has a 13 $\frac{1}{2}$  year old son waiting for her under the care of the Council of Jewish Women.

What can you do to help us get some form of passport for her? Either to Mexico or perhaps to some South American Country. She claims to be a Hungarian by birth but it is doubtful if we can ever get her a passport deporting her to that country.

Yours truly,

( Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky )  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso. Texas.



April 26, 1930.

Mrs. A. Rosenstein,  
2131 West Ontario Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Re Mrs. Rosa Weiner

Dear Mrs. Rosenstein,

Mrs. Rosa Weiner is now in our County Jail as a Federal prisoner for illegal entry into the United States. She claims to have been a resident of the United States for about thirty five years. Her husband Jacob or Selig Weiner and a son Jesse 21 years of age reside in your city at 2134 Summer Street. She also, has a son Harry, in a foundling home and a son Morris 13½ years is in El Paso in care of the Council of Jewish Women.

We want you to help us establish the womans legal citizenship from the foreign country of her birth. Due to her moral character she hasn't a chance to establish a residence in the United States and is a subject for deportation. The sooner we can get a passport for her the sooner she will be released from a prison cell.

We ask you to use every effort to assist us in this case.  
Yours very truly,

( Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky)  
Chairman Immigrant Aid  
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1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



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El Paso, Tex  
May 1, 1930

MRS MORRIS WEISS  
279 S. 1st St.,  
Brooklyn NY

Have you sent one thousand dollars for your sisters  
bond If not wire it at once to The First National Bank  
El Paso

Mrs F Zlaborsky  
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1930 MAY 1 3 5  
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O. Weiss



DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID  
The National Council of Jewish Women  
799 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

FROM

Cecilia Razovsky

DATE

May 2, 1930.

TO

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
El Paso Section.

SUBJECT

Mrs. Rosa Weiner

We have your letter of April 26th, referring the case of this woman to us. We have asked our Brooklyn office to see the sister, Mrs. Esther Weiss. We are also asking our Philadelphia Section to interview the two sons. We shall see what can be done about securing a passport for her after we learn more facts, as it is rather curious to us that she should still be an alien after having lived in the United States thirty-five years.

However, you will hear from us shortly.

CR/k.

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Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

Dear Madam:

Your telegram of the 9th instant at hand, giving us the name of Rose Henig as the correct name of the party as to whom you wrote us under the name of Rosa Weiner. We have located the file at the Department, 55697/584, and find that a deportation proceeding is pending against this woman for having entered the United States without a valid visa, etc., etc., also as having admitted the crime of adultery prior to entry into this country and as being a prostitute. Her testimony on the preliminary examination contains her admission that she is and has been for a long time a professional prostitute and is now registered as such with the authorities of Juarez, Mexico, and paying a regular weekly license fee.

While there may be much sympathy with this woman or any woman who is compelled to lead a life of prostitution, nevertheless, under the policies of our Society, we cannot intervene or appear in behalf of an avowed prostitute. The reasons for our policy must be quite obvious to you.

She has three children born in the United States; two are in Philadelphia and the other one is with her. The child with her can, of course, obtain admission to the United States as a native-born American citizen. It might be advisable that this be done so that all three children can be under proper care and environment and not be with the mother who is plying her profession.

Yours very truly,



# B'NAI B'RITH BUREAU

MANAGER  
L.L. WEINBERGER

FOR WORK IN MEXICO

POST OFFICE BOX

666

MEXICO, D. F. May 12, 1930

Mrs Frank Zabludovsky,  
1016 Olive str.,  
El Paso, Texas,  
E.U.A.

re: Rosa Weiner

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

We are glad to answer your letter dated the 26 of April in behalf of Rosa Weiner and are sorry to that we could do nothing for her.O

Her husband , Max Kripitzer says that he was married to her according to the Jewish ritual only and that more than a year has passed since his separation that lady. The Ungarian Consul cannot issue a travelling passport since Rosa Weiner has never been registered with that Consulate and he would like her birth certificate and her previous passport. At the same time Max Kripitz states, that Rosa Weiner is only an assumed name, her name being unknown for him.

It is absolutely impossible for us to do anything for Rosa Weiner untill we have her documents, as the Mexican departments cannot give her a passport before being certain about her citizenship and the date of her arrival and place of entry to this country.-

re:Katherine Burshtein

This girl left the Industrial School on Saturday giving as reasons the antisemitic feelings in that School and asking us to do something for her in order to find a job.

In the meanwhile she is placed in a decent Jewish family where she is well fed and cared for.

Please let us know what to do?

Yours truly,

Bnai Brith burau in Mexico.



Copy for  
55697/584  
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May 15, 1930.

Honorable C. B. Hudspeth, M.C.,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman Hudspeth:

Referring to your interest in the case of ROSE HENIG, I desire to advise you that a warrant of arrest, with the ultimate object in view of effecting deportation, was issued by the Department on April 25, 1930, embracing the following charges: that she was a prostitute at the time of entry; and that she has been convicted of or admits the commission of a felony or other crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, to wit; adultery, prior to entry into the United States.

The case will be heard before the immigration officers at El Paso just as soon as arrangements can be made by them, and thereafter the record will come forward to Washington for consideration by the Department. It may be that Mrs. Skidmore, who has interested herself in this alien's behalf, will care to see A. J. Milliken, the Inspector in Charge of Immigration at El Paso, with a view to offering whatever she may care to present in behalf of the alien at the hearing.

In view of the admissions made by the alien in her preliminary examination, it is difficult, if not quite impossible, to hold forth any hope that she could possibly escape deportation.

Very truly yours,

HARRY E. HULL,  
Commissioner General.



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

May 15, 1930

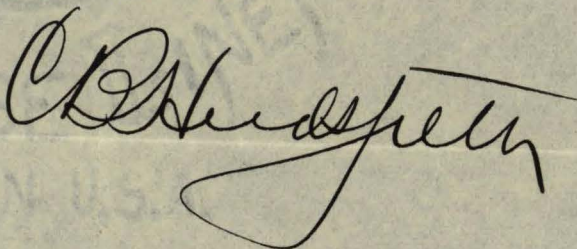
Mrs. Joan B. Skidmore,  
415 East California Street,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

I have received your letter of May 9th in regard to the case of Mrs. Rose Henig. I have talked with the Commissioner General, Bureau of Immigration, and he states that Mrs. Henig's conduct has been such that he fears it will be impossible for the Department to do other than issue an order of deportation, but that he will go further into the matter and write me. I shall be glad to send you a copy of his letter. In the meantime, might I suggest that you see Mr. Wilmoth and attend the hearing which doubtless will be extended Mrs. Henig.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. B. Hudspeth". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.



May 17, 1930.

Mr. Isidore Hirschfield,  
1115 Connecticut Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Re; Rosa Henig

Dear Mr. Hirschfield;

Your letter of May 10th. and in reply wish to say we have a full record of this woman's case but we wanted to know if a woman who has at any time committed adultery and wishes to repent and live a respectable life with her children if any leniency could be dealt her?

On the other hand if this woman were to return to Mexico of her own free will could her bond be cancelled or would she have to forfeit that bond? She is at present out on a \$1000. bond awaiting deportation to the country of her birth however, a passport to that country can never be obtained. Nor is any other country ready to accept a prostitute. She is at present living in El Paso but we find conditions very unsavory for her to remain here.

Kindly let us know at your earliest convenience if she would return to Mexico of her own free will would her bond be returned to her or would she forfeit same. I am very sure I could persuade her to return to Mexico if it could be managed. The Council would then be able to look after her boy and give him proper rearing.

Thanking you for past favors,

Beg to remain,

( Mrs. Frank Zlabovky )  
Chairman Service to Foreign Born  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



Mrs. Rose Wiener on April 26, 1930 was apprehended by the federal govt. for illegal entry and placed in the county jail. she claimed to have been a resident of US for 35 years. also that she was born in Hungary and left the 8 years ago to travel. she was accompanied by her 13½ yr old son. She also claimed she had a husband in Philadelphia and two sons, all children born in the US. (divorced, but later found she was not) when apprehended, her statement was that she was a licensed prostitute, and that she had 2,000 dollars in a bank in EP and her reason for crossing in to US was to visit her children in Philadelphia. She also made the statement that she was married to Max Kripitzer whose address was Guatemala, Mex. We tried to establish her citizenship which she claimed by marriage (1st) But her husband had never taken papers, and we were unable to establish his citizenship. Max Kripitzer whom she claims she married in Hungary says that he was married to her according to the Jewish ritual only and that more than a year has passed since his separation from that lady. The Hungarian Consul cannot issue a travelling passport since Rosa Weiner has never been re with with that Consulate and he would like her birth certificate and her previous passport. At the same time Max Kripitzer states, that Rosa Weiner is an assumed name, her real name being unknown for him. Further investigation showed that deportation proceedings were pending for the woman for entering the US without valid reason also as having admitted to the crime of adultery prior to entry into this country and as being a prostitute. her testimony on the preliminary exam contains her admission that she is and has been for a long time a professional prostitute and is now registered as such with the authorities of Mexico and pays a weekly license fee. While there may be much sympathy for her, but many woman is compelled to lead a life of shame nevertheless our policy would be not to interfere. In appealing to one of our major organizations, they state that while she has 3 children born in US two who are in Philadelphia, younger with her, that it would be to the interest of the children that the environment of this mother's care would be a detriment to them. We tried to get visas for this woman while in jail, but Hungarian govt the country of her birth refused her a passport. We were advised by ny office to try to get the mexican govt. to readmit her into their country. upon further investigation we found that before leaving Juarez she applied to mexican govt for a reentry permit. we therefore proceeded to ask the dept. of immigration to grant her leave of voluntary departure. She promised that if granted her she would try to become a respected woman and cease following her life of sin.

*galowitz*



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

My dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Re: Mrs. Rosa Weiner

Enclosed you will find report from our  
Brooklyn section with reference to the above named.  
We have written to our Philadelphia Section suggesting  
that they see the children and let us have a report.  
We will keep you advised of developments.

Sincerely yours,

*Cecilia Razovsky*  
Cecilia Razovsky,  
Executive Director

CR:A.

enc.



Rose Cornfeld  
Cecilia Razovsky

5/15/30

Weiner, Rosa

We have interviewed Mrs. Weiss, the sister of the client. She stated that her sister was born in Kololenitza, a dorf near Muncatz, <sup>Hungary</sup>. However, there are no relatives abroad, Mrs. Weiss stated. They do not even correspond with anyone abroad who is related to the family. The sister here believed that should it be necessary to deport her sister, the final judgment as to where she should be sent, rests with her herself.

Mrs. Weiss had recieved several telegrams from Texas asking that she send \$1000 for bond. However, she does not have the money at present as she loaned it to a man for his business and the man has gone bankrupt. Nevertheless, she promised to talk the whole situation over again with her husband as she had not realized that deportation figured in the situation. She promised to communicate with us, but so far has not done so. A cousin Jake Hirschowitz, who lives in the Bronx, might be of some assistance. We do not have his exact address as yet. We shall again interview Mrs. Weiss in a day or two and advise you further.

R.C.



May 22, 1930

Mrs. E. Shevell

Rosa Weiner

Miss C. Razovsky

Dept. of S.S.F.F.B.

Upon the receipt of your letter on this case we visited at the address given but found only Mr. Weiner's son living at that address. After sometime we were able to interview said son, Jesse, who could give us no information about his mother or any relatives. He knew that his mother is having difficulty with the authorities. From him we secured the address of Mr. Weiner, 3023 W. Gordon Street, who is married and has one child by his second marriage. Jesse promised to get in touch with his father, who is employed during the day, discuss the matter with him and advise us the results. As he could not find his father at home he reported to us and we were finally able to see him on a Sunday.

Mr. Weiner advised that he does not know if his wife has relatives abroad. She came to the United States at about the age of 7 or 8 years, accompanied by relatives and destined to a cousin, Mr. Herskovitz, who he thinks then lived in Baltimore. Mr. Weiner married her in Philadelphia when she was about 21 years old. He is divorced from Mrs. Weiner and could give us no additional information.

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E.S.



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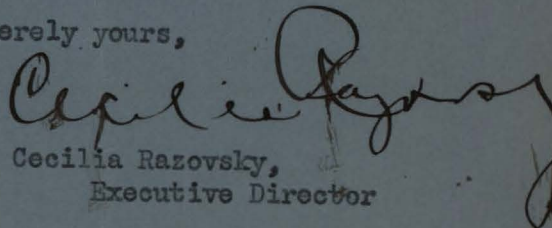
Mrs. Frank Zlabowsky  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.

My dear Mrs. Zlabowsky:

Re: Mrs. Rosa Weiner

We enclose report from our Philadelphia Section which is self-explanatory. It is evident that the relatives are not interested in assisting this woman. According to the report of the sister in Brooklyn, the sister was born in Kolenitz, a dorf near Muncatz, Hungary. It is for the immigration officials to write to the Hungary Consul General and try to secure a passport for this woman. She has been away from that country so many years however that it is doubtful whether they will grant one. Will not the officials release her if she goes back to Mexico? I do not see how anyone but the government officials can secure a passport for this woman. If you think we can be of any service by calling at the Hungary Consulate in New York, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

  
Cecilia Razovsky,  
Executive Director

CR:a  
enc.



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TRANSLATION

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE #29607

KREMENITZ, AUSTRIA

On the fourth day of the week, the 19th of the  
month Adar, 5683 A M, corresponding to the 7th of March  
1923, Max Kripitzer and Rose Henig were married in  
accordance with the laws of Israel.

Witnessed and signed by:

Ephraim ben Yaakob Zevi

Yaakob ben Shushan

I, Joseph M Roth, Rabbi of Congregation B'Nai Zion,  
El Paso, Texas, hereby certify that the above is a  
correct and bona fide translation of the accompanying  
Hebrew Ketuba (Marriage Certificate). Witness my  
hand in testimony thereof this eleventh day of June  
one thousand nine hundred and thirty.

*Joseph M Roth*



TRADUCCIÓN

CERTIFICADO DE MATRIMONIO No. 29607

KREMENITZ, AUSTRIA

En el cuarto día de la semana, el diez y nueve del mes, Adar, 5683 A M, correspondiendo al siete de Marzo de 1923, Max Kripitzer y Rose Henig contrajeron matrimonio de acuerdo con las leyes de Israel.

Atestiguado y firmado por:

Ephraim ben Yaakob Zevi

Yaakob ben Shushan

Yo, Joseph M. Roth, Rabbí de la Congregación de B'Nai Zion, de El Paso, Texas, aseguro que lo arriba mencionado, es correcto y la traducción que acompaña el Hebrew Ketuba (certificado de matrimonio) es de buena fe. Mi mano atestigua este día once de junio de mil novecientos treinta.



June 19, 1930

Mr Isidore Hirschfield  
1115 Connecticut Ave. N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. Hirschberg:

Re: Rose Hennig

With further reference to this case, her papers are being detained by the immigration department in order to establish her citizenship. It appears that her former husband Mr. Weiner of Philadelphia became an American citizen prior to his divorce. Would that change her present status and could she demand a legal right to remain in the United States?

Our advice to her is to return to Mexico. Her money is about exhausted and since she is anxious to lead a respectable life from now on she will naturally have to depend on charity for the support of herself and child.

Could you appeal to the commissioner general Harry Hull to permit her to return to Mexico? There is at present a man in Juarez who wishes to marry this woman and adopt her son. He wants her to lead a respectable life.

By granting her entry into Mexico a great deal of good can be wrought. It is true that she could go into Mexico but she fears to forfeit her bond and if you can bring about the cancellation of that bond we will advise her to return to Mexico at once

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky

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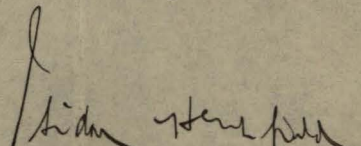
Dear Madam:

We wired you today as follows:

"Decision filed permitting voluntary departure  
Rosa Henig to any country of her choice  
Letter follows"

By the time this letter reaches you the decision should have reached the U. S. immigration authorities at El Paso or will reach them shortly thereafter. Thereupon, Mrs. Henig (Weiner) can return to Mexico or any country of her choice and this will dispose of the proceeding. Upon proof later being submitted that she has so voluntarily departed, the bond can be cancelled.

Yours very truly,

  
ISIDORE HERSHFIELD  
Counsel

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Mrs. Frank Zlablovsky  
 1016 Olive Street  
 El Paso, Texas

Dear Madam:

Your letter of the 19th instant in re Rosa Henig was written before you received my wire and letter of the 20th instant in which I advised you that she has been granted leave to depart to any country of her choice which means that she can return to Mexico.

If you can establish that her former husband was an American citizen at the time of their marriage, that she married him before September 22, 1922, and that she obtained a divorce from him, it would be proof of her American citizenship and she would then be entitled to absolute admission to the United States regardless of her character, past life, etc.

When she returns to Mexico under permission granted to her, she should report to the American Consul there, make her affidavit before him that she is in Mexico and ask for a letter to the same effect from him. When you will send the letter and affidavit to me, I can then have the present outstanding bond cancelled.

Yours very truly,

*Isidore Hershfield*  
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 Counsel

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May 26, 1931.

Mrs. Rosa Weiner  
Dan's Hotel  
Juarez, Mexico

Dear Madam:

A decision has been made by the Department in the matter of your appeal, D. L. 55781/160, affirming your exclusion on the ground of likelihood of becoming public charge and also because you did not have a visaed passport. The Department's decision states that as you are a Russian subject you must have a passport duly visaed by an American Consul. If you can get a passport through one of the Russian Consuls in Mexico, you can then apply to the American Consul for a visitor's visa. If the passport is not procurable, the Consul may accept a special form of affidavit in lieu of passport. Of course, it is entirely within the discretion of the Consul whether he will grant you this visitor's visa. Even after you have the passport or affidavit in lieu of passport together with consular visa, our immigration authorities have the final say as to whether you should be admitted, even as a temporary visitor.

If you decide to obtain this passport (or affidavit in lieu of passport), a consular visa must be obtained, and you must also obtain from the Department permission to reapply within one year of your present exclusion. Unless such permission is granted, you cannot reapply for admission until after the expiration of one year from your recent exclusion.

The Department does not believe that you are entitled to a crossing card. We may also add that in view of the deportation proceeding brought against you and that you have admitted, on your recent hearing, that you were manager of a house of

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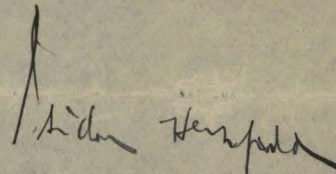


Mrs. Rosa Weiner - #2  
re: D. L. 55781/160

May 26, 1931.

prostitution after your return to Mexico and until about September, 1930, there is in my mind considerable doubt as to whether the Department will admit you until and before a long time elapses, as a temporary visitor. Any purchases that you wish to make at El Paso should, therefore, be made by you through some representative.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Isidore Hershfield", written in a cursive style.

ISIDORE HERSHFIELD  
Counsel

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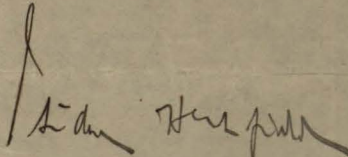
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Dan's Hotel  
Juarez, Mexico

Dear Madam:

Your undated letter has reached here today together with \$5.00 in cash as a donation to our Society, for which we sincerely thank you. Your money has been forwarded to our New York Office who will send you the usual formal official receipt.

Your letter crossed ours of the 26th ult. in which we advised you that your exclusion was affirmed on appeal. Under the law, you, as a native of Russia, must have a duly visaed passport. We pointed all this out very fully in our letter of May 26 to you.

Very truly yours,

  
ISIDORE HERSHFIELD  
Counsel

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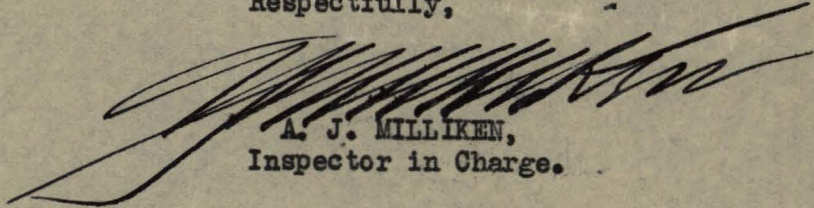
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Mrs. Rose Weiner,  
c/o Dan's Hotel,  
140 Juarez Avenue,  
Juarez, Chih., Mexico.

Madam:-

Referring to your appeal from an excluding decision of the board of special inquiry at this port on April 14, 1931, you are advised that the Department has affirmed the excluding decision of the board of special inquiry.

Respectfully,



A. J. MILLIKEN,  
Inspector in Charge.

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June 29, 1931.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

My dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Your letter of the 25th instant in re Mrs. Rose Weiner at hand. In our letter of May 26, 1931, to her, we pointed out that she was excluded on two grounds: on likelihood of becoming public charge and also because she did not have a visaed passport. In view of this woman's recent deportation proceeding in which she was permitted finally to depart without an order of deportation, and in view of the fact that until very recently she has not been engaged in an honorable occupation, the objection based on likelihood of becoming public charge was affirmed by the Department, but this is only half and probably the least troublesome half of the matter. The other half is that as she is not a native of Mexico she must have a duly visaed passport to enter the United States temporarily, even for the briefest time. We have had the same question arise on the Canadian border. Most respectable persons residing in Canada but who are not native-born Canadians are not permitted to enter the United States, even for the briefest period of time, without a duly visaed passport. This is because our immigration laws so provide and also an Executive Order of the President of the United States bearing on the matter and being an interpretation and an application of our immigration laws.

If, therefore, the American Consul at Juarez is willing to grant her a temporary visitor's visa, I believe she will probably be admitted temporarily on such visa. Should she then be excluded, she can appeal, notify us of her exclusion and appeal, and we shall be glad to give it our attention here and argue the appeal. Such a temporary visitor's visa will give her practically all rights of a border crossing card. Such visitor's visa is usually made valid for the term of one year, and as long as its validity has not expired and as long as her passport is valid, she can enter and reenter the United States as frequently as she desires.

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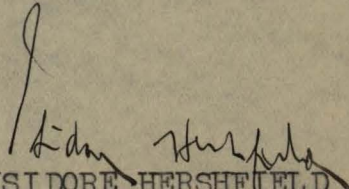
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June 29, 1931.

We realize that she may have difficulty in obtaining a Russian passport, although we believe there is a Russian Consul in Mexico. We pointed out, in our letter of May 26, 1931, to her, that if she cannot get a passport through one of the Russian Consuls in Mexico, she should take up with the Consul the question of whether he will accept a special form of an affidavit in lieu of passport. If he is favorably disposed toward her, he will probably accept same. This affidavit is very simple. It is made by her and gives the particulars of her birth, her present age, present residence and occupation, that she is unable to procure a Russian passport and the reason why she cannot procure same, that she is therefore using this affidavit in lieu of passport; and the affidavit should contain her signed photograph and also particulars of her age, weight, height, color of eyes, hair, and whether there are any distinguishing personal marks.

As to your statement that she merely wishes to come to El Paso to spend her money, it is unfortunate that our immigration laws do not provide right of admission merely because aliens wish to come here to spend money. Our laws do not so provide and visitors coming here temporarily must comply with the legal requirements.

Yours sincerely,

  
ISIDORE HERSHFIELD  
Counsel

IH:bk



June 25, 1931.

Mr. Isidore Hirshfield  
1115 Connecticut Ave. N.W.  
Washington D.C.

Re Mrs. Rose Weiner

Dear Mr. Hirshfield; With reference to the above case she has shown me your letter of May 26th. in which you inform her that her exclusion was based on the liklihood of her becoming a public charge.

Mr. Hirshfield, I have been in conference with reference to this case with our American Consul , Mr. Blocker, in Juarez. Mr. Blocker is interested in Mrs. Weiners appeal. If you will refert to our correspondence of about a year ago with reference to this case you will see that she was permitted "voluntary departure" from the U.S. and that she returned to Juarez, Mexico.

Since her return to that city she has been leading a life of respectibility, she runs a legitimate hotel on one of the leading streets of the town and were this hotel doubtful she would not be permitted on the main street as they have a restricted district in our neighbor town.

What she is asking is merely a "border pass" which would enable her to come to El Paso and do her shopping. She spends between \$200. and \$300. on her hotel supplies and under the present situation is forced to ask others to shop for her. Mr. Blocker assures me that he would grant her a vise because he has thoroughly investigated her case and thinks she is justly entitled to that little courtesy.

She has been of great assistance in helping Americans out of many difficulties and has protected them against many atresities. Furthermore he informs me that she informs him of many happenings which enable him to protect our citizens.

Summing the matter up she asks to be allowed to come to El Paso to spend her money and that is all.

We are appealing to you to have the deaprtment reconsider and grant this woman a border pass in which event the American Consul will give her a vise.

Yours truly,

1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



July 3, 1931  
El Paso, Texas.  
415 East California

Mrs. Kate George,  
228 Office Building  
Washington, D.C.

IN RE:- Rose Henig/

Dear Mrs. George.

Kindly refer to your files relative to the above named case.

My letter of <sup>May</sup> 9th, 1930; My letter of June 6th, 1930; Your wire of June 20th, 1930-

Mrs. Wiener was apprehended, for being ~~in~~ in the U.S. il-

legally, about a year ago and was given permission by the department of labor to deport voluntarily.

As you will see by the files Mrs. Wiener's reputation was not of the very best at that time, but she has, since her return to Juarez, been leading the life of a good, moral and respectable woman. She is running a hotel in one of the leading streets in Juarez and upon an investigation we find that her reputation is as stated before, *very good*.

She is having difficulties in making purchases for her hotel as well as for herself. She has applied to the Labor Department to grant her a "LOCAL" card. This card would permit her to come to El Paso to make her purchases and return the same day to Juarez, Mexico. She was refused this card.

In taking the matter up with the American Consul in Mexico, will state that he is much in sympathy with the case and assures us that he will grant Mrs. Wiener a visa if the department would reconsider and grant her this little courtesy and tender her the "LOCAL" card.

Our Mr. Blocker, American Consul, at Juarez, Mexico, further stated that Mrs. Wiener has shown marked sympathy and consideration for the American youth that goes to Juarez and gets himself into trouble. She saves them many day in jail in our neighbor town and also prevents them from being robbed and other atrocities committed against them.

Mrs. Wiener's coming to El Paso, for a few hours, once or twice a week to do her shopping could in no way reflect upon our Government otherwise than favorable and from an economic



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Mrs. Kate George-

IN RE:- Rose Henig

stand point her purchases would amount to not less than \$200.00 per week-The El Paso merchants certainly would welcome the business.

Mrs. George would kindly try and get the department of labor re-open this case and have them reconsider their decision and grant this woman the local card that she asks for.

Mr. Blocker, American Consul heartily endorses our appeal to you.

With kindest personal regards,

sincerely yours,

Joan B. Skidmore, V. Chairman  
El Paso L. of W.V. Immigra-  
tion department.

Mrs. J.B. Skidmore  
415 East California.  
El Paso, Texas

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FRANK O. SKIDMORE  
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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.  
July 6, 1931

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

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 3d in reference to the case of Mrs. Rose Henig, now Mrs. Wiener. I have not retained many of the old files, since they were so numerous and our office space is so limited, but I shall take up the matter immediately with the Labor Department and hope they will see fit to act favorably. I will write you further on having the Department's decision.

With kind regard, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*Kate George*  
Secretary.



July, 8, 1931

Mr. Isidore Hirshfield,  
1115 Connecticut Ave. N.W.  
Washington D.C.

Re; Rose Weiner

Dear Mr. Hirshfield;

Your letter of June 29th. referring to the case of Rose Weiner is before me. I am well informed with reference to the law regarding vise passports and other requirements in cases of temporary and permanent entrance into the U.S. and I asked our American Consul in Juarez to issue the vise to Mrs. Weiner.

He claims that it is unfair to subject an alien to the expense of securing a vise unless she is sure of being admitted and in view of the fact that this womans past reputation was objectionable he wanted to be assured that the applicant will receive favorable consideration before he issues the vise.

He has asked me to write to you to present the case for re-consideration. The only thing on which they could base their refusal is that Mrs. Weiner might at some time become a public charge. As her passport would only entitle her to stay in the U.S. a few hours weekly we cannot see why that clause could be an obstacle. When subjects are issued a local border card they are not permitted to remain in El Paso over night. It is merely used for such purposes as shopping and education.

If you can appeal for the removal of the exclusion on that ground she can get a visitors vise. We want Washington to give instructions to our Immigration Department here instead of reopening the case from this end of the line because as our American Consul sets forth our Immigration Inspector at this port of entry does not feel kindly toward the applicant.

Yours truly,

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Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
Service to the Foreign Born  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas.



El Paso, Texas,  
415 East California  
May 10th, 1931

Mrs. Kate George,  
Office Building No/ 228  
Washington, D.C.

IN RE:- Rose Henig.

Dear Mrs. George.

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter relative to the above named alien and thank you very much for your prompt attention to the matter.

In further reference to the case of Mrs. Henig-Wiener, beg to advise that our Mr. Wm Blocker, American Consul at Juarez brought to our notice this fact. That he does not wish to issue a visa and have it turned down by the department, because that ~~you~~ be incurring unnecessary expense and loss of money to the alien.

We appreciate greatly Mr. Blocker's consideration of the alien in this case. We are informed that Mrs. Henig's case was different because of the likelihood of becoming a public charge and because she would not have a vised passport. The vised passport will be given her without hesitation by the American Consul and as of the likelihood of becoming a public charge, I would like to call your attention to the dictation of the law at this port of entry. Any one in possession of a "Local Passport" is not permitted to stay on American ~~and~~ soil any longer than his or her business requires and she is at no time permitted to spend the night in El Paso and since this woman just wishes to have a passport for the privilege of doing her shopping in El Paso what chance is there of her becoming a public charge?

Furthermore, Mrs. Henig has a well established Hotel on one of the leading streets of Juarez, Mexico, and it would scarcely be to her interest to endanger her possessions in a foreign country, Juarez, Mexico.

and  
We feel that with your interest/influence the department would waive the public charge question with reference to her case.

Sincerely,

Mrs Joan B. Skidmore, V. Chairman  
Department of Immigration Committee  
El Paso, L. Of W.V.



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ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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July 11, 1931.

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

My dear Congressman Thomason:

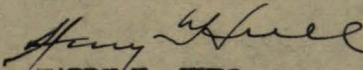
I refer to your letter of the 6th instant enclosing one of July 3, 1931, addressed to your secretary by Mrs. Joan B. Skidmore, 415 East California, El Paso, Texas, in behalf of Mrs. Rose Wiener, a native of Russia, who has been denied admission to the United States from Mexico.

Upon consideration of all the circumstances disclosed in the record of the case on appeal, the Department has found it necessary to affirm the excluding decision of the immigration port authorities on the ground that the applicant did not have a visa issued by a consul of the United States. An alien recorded as excluded is debarred from again applying for admission within one year from the time of exclusion unless granted permission to do so by the Secretary of Labor. If Mrs. Wiener wishes to submit such an application it should be addressed by her to the Secretary of Labor and filed with the immigration officer in charge at the port of her exclusion. If Mrs. Wiener succeeds in obtaining a suitable visa from an American consul, and permission to reapply, she will then be at liberty to present herself at a designated port of entry for determination of her admissibility under the immigration laws.

If and when Mrs. Wiener's case comes before the Department again as an application for permission to reapply or on appeal from an excluding decision, your interest will be remembered and I shall write you of the decision rendered.

The letter which you transmitted is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

  
HARRY E. HULL,  
Commissioner General.

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July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

My dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Your letter of the 8th instant in re Rosa Weiner (Henig) at hand. I thoroughly agree with the Consul at Juarez that "it is unfair to subject an alien to the expense of securing a visa unless she is sure of being admitted", but this is only one of the unfair items in our present immigration laws. Neither the Consul, you nor I can change them.

The Department of Labor will not make any decisions in advance. They will not reconsider the present case and make a decision that they will admit her if she has a visaed passport. The Department of Labor, as all Government departments, will not commit itself in advance of an actual case. It is my opinion, however, that if she has a duly visaed passport she will not be excluded on the ground of likelihood of becoming public charge; but I cannot obtain in advance from the Department a decision on that score. Border crossing cards are given to natives of Mexico. Aliens who are not natives must have a duly visaed passport; this is the law and no one can change it except Congress. We had a much more appealing case some months ago where an alien, residing in Canada but not born there, desired to come to Rochester, Minnesota, to take back to Canada her sick sister who had been operated on there. She sought admission for only a few days for this purpose only, but the Department excluded her because she did not have a visaed passport, and it was very difficult for her to obtain a passport from the country of which she is a subject, except after much trouble and long delay.

We cannot comply, ~~therefore~~, with your request and ask the Department to give advance instructions to your immigration inspectors as this is never done.

We should add that as Mrs. Weiner was ex-

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

July 13, 1931

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

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

I am enclosing you a letter from the Commissioner General,  
Bureau of Immigration, with reference to the case of Mrs. Rose  
Wiener.

Please write the Congressman freely if we may take up the  
matter further and know that it is a pleasure to render you any  
possible service.

With kind regard, believe me,

Your friend,

*Kate George*  
Secretary.



U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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July 29, 1931.

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

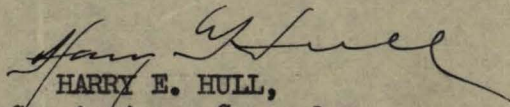
My dear Congressman Thomason:

I have received your letter of the 21st instant expressing further your interest in the case of Mrs. Rose Wiener.

As stated in my letter of the 11th instant, an alien who has been excluded is debarred from again applying for admission within one year from the date of exclusion, unless granted permission to do so by the Secretary of Labor. As yet, the Department has not received an application from Mrs. Wiener for such permission. She may file her application, addressed to the Secretary of Labor with the immigration officer in charge at the port of her exclusion. If her application comes forward, it will be considered in the light of the representations made by you and I shall write you of the decision rendered.

The inclosed pamphlet explains the usual procedure for aliens seeking admission to this country. Particular attention is invited to the statements on page 7 relative to appeals and reapplication for admission.

Very truly yours,

  
HARRY E. HULL,  
Commissioner General.

Incl. No. 18559.



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

July 30, 1931

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

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

I am enclosing you a letter from the Commissioner General,  
Bureau of Immigration, to the Congressman in regard to the case  
of Mrs. Rose Wiener.

Will you let us hear from you again in the matter. It is a  
pleasure for the Congressman and myself to cooperate with you and  
to do whatever we can for Mrs. Wiener.

With kind regard and the assurance of my appreciation of your  
generous expressions, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Kate George*  
Secretary.



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

August 17, 1931

Dear Mrs. Skidmore:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 13th and shall await with interest the outcome of Mrs. Wiener's application for a local crossing card. Please keep me informed of developments in this connection. It will give me pleasure to cooperate with you in any way that I can and I assure you of the Congressman's interest and his desire to be of all possible service.

With kind regard, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Kate George*  
Secretary.

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



May 1, 1932.

Mr. Isidore Hirschfield  
1115 Connecticut Ave N.W.  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hirschfield;

Mr. William P. Blocker, the American Consul in Juarez Mexico is a guest in your city for two days May 1st. and 2nd. I wish you would call upon him at the office of Hon. Harry Hull and with these two gentleman try to instill a more favorable understanding of the Rose Weiner case.

Yours truly,

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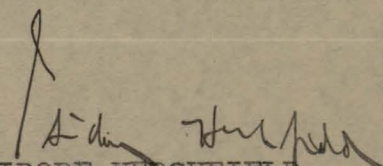
Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky  
1016 Olive Street  
El Paso, Texas

My dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Your letter of the first instant reached here this morning advising me that Mr. William P. Blocker, the American Consul at Juarez, will be in Washington on May 1 and 2 and would call at the office of Hon. Harry Hull, by whom I suppose you mean Hon. Harry E. Hull, Commissioner General of Immigration. Mrs. Rosa Weiner had previously written me a few days ago to the same effect.

I inquired at Mr. Hull's office today and was advised that Mr. Blocker had not called on him and that he does not recall Mr. Blocker. There is, therefore, nothing that I can do here in regard to seeing him.

Very sincerely yours,

  
ISIDORE HERSHFIELD  
Counsel

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