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JEWISH SOCIAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION, Inc.
71 West 47th Street
New York City.

Sent: Sept 15, 1958
Reed: Sept 16, 1958

From: A. Graeven-German Dept. To: Miss E. Perlman- NCC

re-Cohen, Dr. Walter and Dr. Bertha
41 West 90th Street

Will you please communicate with Mr. Louis Fishbein, 509 North Oregon Street, El Paso
Texas, who is the affiant of Dr. Walter Cohen, to determine the extent of his willing­ness to financially assist Dr. Cohen.

Mr. Fishbein is a cousin of Mrs. Cohen's step-mother, who is still in Germany. Request for affidavit was made through Mrs. Cohen who arrived in this country on May 25th,1938. Mrs. Cohen, who is also a physician, was given an affidavit by her cousin, Mr. Lee Herz, 1642 E 56th Street, Chicago, Ill. who has refused to give assistance. The Cohens were married in about February 1958, in Germany, about three months prior to Mrs C's leaving for this country.

Dr. Bertha Cohen arrived in May 1938 and was known to the Council of Jewish Women who originally supplemented a small allowance given by her step-brother, Kurt Falkenstein. When the brother's wages were cut, full allowance of $12.50 weekly was given to Mrs. Cohen and arrangements were made for a scholarship with Dr. Berchenko. Mrs. Cohen has already taken her language examination and plans to take the Medical State Board in New York in January. Dr. Walter Cohen, who is 47, and had specialized in dermatology and venerology in Germany, arrived in this country on 9-15-58. He too plans to take the State Board Examination in January and will require a good deal of financial assistance until the couple become self-maintaining. Dr. Cohen brought with him approximately $60, so that the couple now have funds sufficient for approximately three weeks.

Inasmuch as both Dr. and Mrs. Cohen are physicians planning to take the license ex­amination and planning to establish themselves, we feel that the matter should be presented to Mr. Fishbein who is a relative of Mrs. Cohen, so that some financial as­sistance might be forthcoming.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Oct. 3, 1938

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

RE: Drs. Walter & Bertha Cohen
41 West 90th Street, N Y C

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

The attached memorandum from the Greater New York Coordinating Committee is self-explanatory.

May we please have a report as soon as possible? Thanking you for your cooperation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Emily Perlman

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COOPERATING ORGANIZATIONS

American Committee for Christian-German Refugees
American Friends Service Committee
American Jewish Committee
American Jewish Congress
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee
Committee for Catholic Refugees from Germany
Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Physicians
Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced German Scholars
Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America
German-Jewish Children’s Aid, Inc.

Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society
Hospites
Independent Order of B’nai B’rith
International Migration Service
International Student Service
Musicians Emergency Fund, Inc.
National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
National Council of Jewish Women
Zionist Organization of America
October 8, 1938.

Miss Emily Perlman,
165 West 46th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Miss Perlman:

Mrs. Walter & Bertha Cohen
41 West 90th Street, N.Y.C.

I am pleased to inform you that Mr. Louis Fishbein,
El Paso, Texas, promises to assist his relatives
to the best of his ability. He will send them a
weekly allowance until they are self-sustaining.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zimbovsky,
Field Executive.