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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 16, 1940

My dear Mr. Welles:

Mrs. Roosevelt asks me to thank you very much for your letter regarding the handling of visa cases in the State Department. She appreciates your writing her in detail as you did and is glad to have the information.

Very sincerely yours,

Malvina C. Thompson
Secretary to
Mrs. Roosevelt

Honorable Sumner Welles
The Department of State
Washington, D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 12, 1940

My dear Mr. Welles:

Thank you so much for writing to Mrs. Andrews. Mrs. Roosevelt deeply appreciates your willingness to see her and her daughter.

Very sincerely yours,

Malvina C. Thompson
Secretary to
Mrs. Roosevelt

Honorable Sumner Welles
The Under Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

October 8, 1940.

My dear Miss Thompson:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of October 5, I am writing to Mrs. Andrews to let her know that the Department will be very glad to receive her and her daughter with regard to the passport question in which Miss Andrews is interested.

Believe me

Yours very sincerely,

Miss Malvina C. Thompson,
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt,
The White House.

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Letter from Malvina C. Thompson, Sec. to Mrs. Roosevelt,
enclosing letter from Mrs. Charles Sperry Andrews re
passport for her daughter

April 19, 1940

Dear Miss Thompson:

Further in reply to your note of January 19 to Mr. Welles, I enclose herewith the file sent to him in the case of Mrs. Lydia Munter. The reply to the instruction which the Department sent out has now been received and I attach a copy hereto.

Sincerely yours,

ANNA L. CLARKSON

Assistant to the
Under Secretary.

Miss Malvina C. Thompson,
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt,
The White House.

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Malvina Thompson - Lydia Munter's case
letter sent to Mrs. R. by Schlemmer, Hammacher

A true copy of
the signed original.

LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ESTABLISHED

Helsinki (Bad Grankulla), Finland, March 15, 1940.

Consular Section
No. 1726.

Subject: Whereabouts and Welfare of Relatives
of Miss Hilma Munter.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's instruction No. 228 of January 23, 1940, enclosing for the consideration of the Legation a copy of a letter from the White House together with a copy of a communication addressed to Mrs. Roosevelt concerning the desire of Miss Hilma Munter to obtain information regarding her relatives in Finland.

Mr. Birger Lindfors of Kvarngrand 1, Borga, according to information received from his sister,

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is at the front and has not been heard from since February 21, 1940. Miss Lindfors was unable therefore to give any further information regarding him.

Mrs. Alina Oksman, formerly of Perkjarvi which is now a part of the Soviet Union, informed the Legation in a written communication dated March 11, 1940, that she and her family are now living at Oulu (Ulenborg) in northern Finland and that her address is Valtion Rautatien Konepaja, Oulu, Finland.

The Legation has not succeeded in obtaining direct information from Mrs. Lydia Munter but Mrs. Alina Oksman stated in her communication that according to her knowledge Mrs. Munter is still living at Iisvesi, Kymen Saaba, Finland.

Respectfully yours,

Harold Shantz,
American Consul General

File No. 310 - Munter
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In triplicate to Department.

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January 23, 1940

Dear Miss Thompson:

Regarding your note of January 19 to Mr. Welles, enclosing a letter from Mr. William F. Schlemmer, an instruction has been sent to the American Minister at Helsinki enclosing a copy of this letter and expressing Mrs. Roosevelt's interest in obtaining any available information regarding the present whereabouts of the persons mentioned. As soon as a reply to this instruction has been received, the entire file will be returned to you.

Sincerely yours,

Anna L. Clarkson

Assistant to
Mr. Welles

Miss Malvina C. Thompson,
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt,
The White House.

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*Information Malvina C. Thompson from
Schlemmer re Paul M. Thompson*

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The White House

THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington

January 19, 1940

Dear Mr. Welles:

Mrs. Roosevelt asks me to send you the enclosed letter from Mr. William F. Schlemmer, of Hammacher Schlemmer, New York, and to say that if it is possible to obtain any information about the people in Finland whom he lists, she will be most appreciative.

Very sincerely yours,

MALVINA C. THOMPSON

Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt

The Honorable Sumner Welles
Under Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

HAMMACHER SCHLEMMER

145 East fifty-seventh Street,
NEW YORK

January 16, 1940

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Mr. McKibbin advised me last night of your kind offer to endeavor to assist our Maid Hilma Munter in receiving some information from her parents and relatives in Finland.

Under present conditions abroad I should imagine it would be almost impossible to get any communication and anything you can do will of course be greatly appreciated.

The names of the relatives are as follows:

Mrs. Lydia Munter
Tisvesi
Finland

Mrs. Alina Oksman
Perkjarvi
Finland

Mr. Birger Lindfors
Borga
Kvarngrand 7
Finland

Respectfully yours,

HAMMACHER SCHLEMMER

Wm. F. Schlemmer
President

January 20, 1940

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Mr. Long:

Will you please have your office take appropriate action in this case and supply this office with a memorandum telling what has been done so that a reply may be sent to Miss Thompson.

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Letter Jan. 19 from Miss Thompson enclosing one from Wm. F. Schlemmer
(Hammacher Schlemmer) re Hilma Munter

January 23 1940

No. 228

To the

American Minister,
Helsinki.

The Secretary of State encloses for consideration a copy of a letter from the White House, together with a copy of a communication addressed to Mrs. Roosevelt concerning the desire of Miss Hilma Munter, to obtain information regarding her relatives in Finland.

It is requested that such information as may be available concerning the present whereabouts and welfare of Mrs. Lydia Munter of Tisvesi; Mrs. Alina Oksman of Perkjarvi and Mr. Birger Lindfors of Borga, Kvarngrand 7, be submitted to the Department as soon as practicable for transmission to Mrs. Roosevelt.

Enclosures:

Letter from WhiteHouse.
Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt
from Mrs. Schlemmer.

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as to the present welfare of her parents."

Sincerely yours,

Anna L. Clarkson

Assistant to
Mr. Welles.

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the signed original.
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