

Summer Welles Papers
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Office Correspondence
State Dept - Visa Division, 1941

July 31, 1941

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Mr. Warren:

Please reply to this
letter for me.

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Letter of 7-29-41 from Robert N. Kestor re William Hertz, et al

July 30, 1941

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Mr. Warren:

Please take such action
as may be required and answer
this letter for me.

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Letter of 7-29-41 from Paul R. Reynolds, Jr., re visa case of
his brother

July 9, 1941

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Mr. Warren:

I have received the attached letter, with enclosures, this morning from Col. Josiah Wedgwood who, as you know, is a member of the British Parliament. Please take such action as may be appropriate and draft some letter for me to send to Col. Wedgwood in reply.

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Letter of July 8 from Col. Wedgwood re visa case of Szymanski

July 9, 1941

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Mr. Warren:

Please note Mrs. Roosevelt's inquiry on the attached correspondence and draft some letter for me to send her. I assume that cases of this kind are coming up for individual review in accordance with our conversation the other day.

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Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt from Dorothy J. Bellanca, re oute
Italians in unoccupied France, and enclosing 11st.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE UNDER SECRETARY

January 15, 1941.

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Mr. Coulter:

Mr. Welles has asked me to pass this letter and its enclosures on to you with the request that you go into the matter, which seems to have been complicated by a misunderstanding, and if there is anything that can appropriately be done, to straighten it out.

He asks also that you be good enough to advise Mr. Wolfson if there is anything he can do or of any action which the Department may take.

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January 15, 1941.

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Wolffsohn, Amalie L.
and Ernst.

My dear Mr. Wolfson:

Your letter of January 14, 1941, has been received and I have shown it and its enclosures to Mr. Welles, who has instructed me to send it on to the Chief of the Visa Division of the Department of State.

Further study and investigation will immediately be made and you will later be addressed directly by the Chief of the Visa Division, regarding this matter.

Believe me

Yours very truly,

Assistant to Mr. Welles.

Julius J. Wolfson, Esq.,
621 West 172nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

January 13, 1941

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Mr. Coulter:

At the request of Mr. James Roosevelt, Dr. Bela Gaspar, accompanied by his attorney, Mr. F. G. Toye, Manager of the Washington Office of the General Electric Company, called to see me this morning. Their cards are attached.

Dr. Gaspar, I am given to understand, is the president of the Gaspar Color, Inc., a Delaware corporation doing business in Hollywood. This corporation has replaced the Gaspar Color, S.A., of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg. I am informed that this corporation is the owner of certain valuable patents for color photography now beginning to be widely utilized in the motion picture industry, and I am further advised that some of the processes are of particular value to the national defense.

Dr. Gaspar gave me a list of scientists who had been working in the Belgian offices of the Luxemburg corporation before the occupation of Belgium by Germany. The names checked in red at the top of this list, likewise attached herewith, correspond to individuals who escaped from Belgium but who are now interned in concentration

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centration camps in unoccupied France. The services of these two scientists are urgently needed, according to Dr. Gaspar, in the business of the corporation in Hollywood. I am further informed that the names of both of these individuals are on our immigration quota lists and I assume from what I was told that they both could be, or perhaps have been, granted immigration visas.

In view of the circumstances outlined it would seem to me possible for this Government to indicate to the Vichy Government its hope that these two men could be released for emigration to the United States where their services are desired by their associates. I wish you would discuss this matter with the European Division and request that a telegram to the Embassy in Vichy be drafted in this sense, unless some objection is seen by the European Division. In that event, I should like to be consulted personally.

I would also like you to let me know what the visa status of these two men may be and if I am correctly informed as to their admissibility. You will see that the names of the wives of these two men are likewise included in the list attached. I would like to know what the status of these two women may be with particular regard to the possibility of their being granted exit visas by the

German

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German authorities should they be granted visas to enter the United States.

When a determination has been reached as to the action that can be taken, please draft some appropriate letter for me to send to Mr. Toye indicating the situation and advising him as to the action taken.

July 12, 1941

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Mr. Warren:

Please take such action
as may be appropriate and
draft some reply for my sig-
nature.

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Letter from Congressman Tolan,
July 10, 1941

re: visa case of Madame Koulichere
cousin of Mr. Morris A. Penter,
of Oakland, California.