Requests for Specific Aid: Barma, Vera
Dear Mr. Berle,

We are informed that the issuance of an immigration visa was authorized for Miss Vera Bárna, c/o Rudolf Király, Baron utca 109, Budapest VIII, Hungary, on or about November 28, 1941. We are also informed that her sponsors were Dr. Nicholas M. Király, 4066 63rd Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York, and Dr. Alexander Keller, 65-36 Catalpa Avenue, Ridgewood, Brooklyn, New York.

I would appreciate your early advice as to the correctness of the above.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Pehle,
Executive Director.

Mr. A. A. Berle,
Assistant Secretary of State,
State Department,
Washington, D. C.

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September 23, 1944

Lawrence S. Lesser, Esq.,
U. S. War Refugee Board,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lesser:

Re: Vera Barna

Referring to the above-named Vera Barna, I wish to advise you as follows:

Miss Vera Barna is an Hungarian national whose last known address is c/o Rudolf Kiraly, Baron utca 109, Budapest VIII, Hungary. She has just passed her twenty-first birthday.

Her mother, Ilona Kiraly Samek, resides at 110-56-71st Avenue, Forest Hills, Long Island, New York.

After July 1, 1941, RC applications were filed on behalf of Miss Barna for advisory approval. Her sponsors were: Dr. Nicholas Kiraly, who resides at 4056 69th Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York, and Dr. Alexander Heller, who resides at 59-35 Catalpa Avenue, Ridgewood, Brooklyn, New York.

On November 28, 1941, the Department of State by letter advised Sidney L. Harrow, Esq., who was then acting as attorney in the matter, that favorable advisory
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approval has been telegraphed to the American Consulate at Budapest, Hungary.

However, the intervening declaration of war and the closing of our Consulate at Budapest prevented the Consulate from granting Miss Varna her visa.

I respectfully request that you submit her name to our Protection Power in Hungary, asking that Miss Varna may proceed to a neutral country to apply for her visa, and that you use your good offices toward evacuating Miss Varna from Hungary where she is in grave danger since she is of Jewish faith.

I shall be grateful if you will give this matter your utmost attention at the earliest possible moment.

My sincere thanks.

Respectfully,

A. Ralph D'Andrea