Requests for Special Aid: Gruss, Oscar (Mr.)
Dear Mrs. Gruss:

I have your letter of April 10, 1945, concerning certain of your relatives who are believed to have been interned at Bergen Belsen.

I am sorry that the Board has not as yet received any information concerning the internees found at this camp, and it is not expected that data regarding specific persons will be immediately available. I suggest that you ask your local Red Cross chapter to send an inquiry to the International Red Cross for information which they may have or may be able to obtain concerning the whereabouts and welfare of your relatives.

After you have received a reply to your inquiry, you may wish to seek the assistance of a private organization in your efforts to arrange for their immigration to this country. I am enclosing a list of agencies which I am informed are qualified to assist in problems of this nature.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William O'Dwyer

William O'Dwyer
Executive Director

Mrs. Oscar Gruss
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Enclosure

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War Refugee Board
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

My brother in law JACOB M. BARACH, 42 years old, my sister ANNA BARACH, 40 years old and their daughter ALICIA BARACH, 16 years old are supposed to be interned at BERGEN-BELSEN near Hanover in Germany.

Since the internees have been liberated by the U.S. Army I should like to know if they are alive, how could I help them, and whether it is possible to apply for an immigration visa for them.

If there is any possibility whatsoever of contacting them by cable, I will reimburse all expenses.

Thank you,

Very truly yours,

(Mrs. Oscar Gruss)

Regine Gruss