

Requests for Specific Aid: KLEIN, LUDOVIT (Sgt.)

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Dear Sergeant Klein:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 16, 1944 and its enclosures.

The Board, in collaboration with the Department of State, has developed a program calculated to facilitate the departure from enemy territory of spouses, unmarried minor children, and parents of American citizens. With respect to your mother, therefore, I suggest that you fill out, execute, and file the enclosed form with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. You should advise the Immigration and Naturalization Service that you are filing such form at the suggestion of the War Refugee Board.

As this special program is based upon the statutes relating to the issuance of non-quota and preference quota immigration visas, I regret that it does not apply to your brothers. Please be assured, however, that the Board is doing, and will continue to do, everything within its power to aid the victims of enemy persecution and that we sincerely hope that the work of the Board has been and will continue to be of assistance to your family.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Fehle,
Executive Director.

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September 16, 1944

Mr. John Pehle, Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

At the suggestion of Mr. Howard K. Travers, Chief, Visa Division, I am taking the liberty of seeking your kind assistance concerning my Mother and three brothers residing in Hungary.

I am herewith enclosing for your persual copies of my letter to the Department of State and Mr. Travers' reply, which will throw more light on the matter.

There may be a possibility for my folks to eventually immigrate to the United States if they could only get out of Hungary and find a haven of refuge in some neutral country. Since the Hungarian Government does not object to this procedure, there is a good opportunity to save them.

I am perfectly willing to cover the expenses involved in their transportation and their maintenance to any country to which they might go. As their transfer would not be paid by public funds, but from a private source, they might receive priority over those who are dependent upon government financial assistance.

Anything you may be good enough to do to expedite the transfer of my people from Hungary to a neutral country, would be genuinely appreciated.

Thank you sincerely for your prompt attention.

Respectfully yours,

Ludovit Klein

Sgt. Ludovit Klein

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
WD 811.111 Klein, Anna

September 6, 1944

My dear Sergeant Klein:

Reference is made to your letter of August 2, 1944 concerning your desire to have your mother and three brothers come to the United States from Hungary.

It is the Department's understanding that the War Refugee Board which was established by the President in January 1944 through an executive order was found it necessary for the present to confine its activities to the rescue of groups of refugees rather than individual persons. However, if you desire further information on this subject you may if you wish communicate with Mr. John Fenle of the Treasury Department who is the executive director of the Board.

Until such time as it may be possible for your relatives to be delivered from Axis controlled territory, there is no action that can be taken with a view to providing them with visas for admission into the United States as there are no American consular establishments stationed in such territory.

If at some future time your relatives should be able to proceed to a country where American consular visa services are available, it is suggested that you communicate with the Department and you will be informed regarding the further procedure necessary in their cases.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed

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Chief, Visa Division

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August 8, 1944

Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Ma, I submit the following urgent appeal to you for aid concerning my Mother and three brothers residing in Hungary.

It is a recognized fact that life in that country is exposed to untold dangers due to the ruthless policy of the Hungarian Government toward the Jews.

I am seeking your help since I am aware that our Government is willing and is desirous of assisting the innocent victims of our foes' brutalities in accordance with the Proclamation of the United Nations to save the Jewish People in Europe.

I believe my kins could be rescued if the State Department would contact the Hungarian Government through the Legation in Switzerland, pointing out to them that my people would remain in Hungary only until an opportunity arises to emigrate from there.

Since I am a citizen of the United States, according to our immigration laws, my Mother falls under the non-quota category; my brothers for many years had been registered with the American Consulate in the Czechoslovak quota.

To expedite the immigration of my people either into the United States or to any other haven of refuge, I am in a position to deposit the necessary funds to cover the expenses involved in the transportation and their maintenance in any country to which they might go.

I am herewith appending the names and addresses of my Mother and brothers.

I should be deeply grateful for your consideration in the above matter, and shall very much appreciate your prompt attention.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed)

Sgt. Ludovik Klein

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