Requests for Specific Aid: Landrace, George (Mrs.)
December 20, 1944

Dear Mrs. Landler:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 21 addressed to Mr. Abrahamson.

Pursuant to a program worked out by the Board in collaboration with the Department of State, parents of American citizens in enemy-controlled territory may benefit from special measures calculated to facilitate their reaching American consular offices in neutral territory. If you are an American citizen, it is suggested that you promptly file with the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a petition to establish the status of your parents as persons entitled to preference quota immigration visas to the United States as parents of a United States citizen. It is suggested that when you file the petition you advise the Immigration and Naturalization Service that you are doing so at the suggestion of the War Refugee Board. Enclosed you will find the proper form of such petition.

If you are not a United States citizen, I regret that your parents cannot benefit by this procedure, since they would not appear eligible for it under the statutes relating to the issuance of preference and non-quota visas on which this procedure is based. It is hoped, however, that they may be helped by the constant efforts of the War Refugee Board to rescue and bring relief to the victims of Nazi persecution in Hungary.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Mrs. George Landler
630 Pleasant Street
Worcester, Massachusetts

Enclosure
Mr. Albert Abramson  
c/o War Refugee Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Upon the advice of Miss Jessie Goldsmith, Supervisor of the Foreign Inquiry Department of Boston Chapter of the American Red Cross, I wish to submit the case of my parents, residents of Hungary. I received the following cable through the International Committee of the Red Cross from my brother-in-law:

"Inform Edith Isaac Landler to send telegraphically useful papers for parents in Budapest, Hungary."

It is obvious that their desperate situation compelled them to send this cable. I am fully aware that under the present circumstances there is no way to contact them. However, I would appreciate very much if you could suggest anything how to help them.

I hope and believe that the victorious Allied armies will soon liberate my native country and relieve the suffering of my parents. Therefore I wish to obtain your help to restore the interrupted contact with them. Please let me know what can I do to support your actions.

My parents' data are as follows:
Father: I Z S O  I Z S A K  
Mother: HERMINA IZSAK BAEZ

Birthplace: Pietrosiy, Romania  
Krakow, Poland
Year of birth: 1883 1884

Last known address: 13 Nagydiófa-utca, Budapest, Hungary
Sister: Yolanda Izsak Egerland  
Brother-in-law: Istvan Egerland

Last known address: Geza Fejedelem utca 8, Kassa, Hungary/Kosice, Czechoslovakia.

For your information, I mention that Mr. Egerland is not of Jewish descent.

You will certainly realize how anxious I am to know about the fate of my parents and I shall be very grateful for your kind intervention.

Sincerely yours,

Edith Isaac Landler

630 Pleasant Street  

October 21, 1944.