

Requests for Specific Aid: LEHMANN, FREDERICK (Dr.)

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Dr. Frederick Lehmann
124 East 84th St.
New York 28, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Lehmann:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 21, 1945.

While the War Refugee Board is engaged in a program of attempting to evacuate persons from such camps as Bergenbelsen and other non-prisoner of war camps within Germany, it is impossible to give any positive assurance that a specific person can be included in these mass evacuations. At the same time, War Refugee Board food parcels are going to internees at Bergenbelsen from our stockpile at Gothenburg, Sweden, and you may be certain that your brother and his family will share with the other internees in this program.

As for the chances of their early release and inclusion in one of the next exchanges, please be advised that the order in which persons eligible for exchange are actually included in current exchange groups depends solely on German authorities, and that no further steps can be taken for the moment in this matter.

Whether, after their release from Germany, your brother and his family would be allowed to proceed to the United States or to any other definite territory under the control of the United Nations, is a matter which is likewise outside the province of the War Refugee Board. If you wish, you might discuss the matter with the Visa Division or the Special War Problems Division in the Department of State.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William O'Dwyer
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Executive Director

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New York, March 21, 1945.

Gen. William O'Dwyer
War Refugee Board
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

With reference to the procedure which, I understand, has been set up by the War Refugee Board and the State Department concerning the exchange of internees in Germany who are holding visas and/or passports for an American Republic, I wish to submit the case of my brother and his family:

Max (Marcus) Lehmann,	born February 3, 1893 at Mainz
Hedwig Lehmann, nee Wallerstein	" August 18, 1900 at Frankfort on Main
Toni Lehmann	" May 11, 1929 at Amsterdam
Connie Lehmann	" June 27, 1930 at "
Oscar Lehmann	" July 19, 1933 at "
Erica Lehmann	" September 7 1931 at Hamburg

interned at Bergen-Belsen near Hannover, Germany.

An Ecuador immigration visa has been granted to them as per cable instructions by the Ecuador Government to its Consul at Geneva, Switzerland, on April 27, 1944. Furthermore, I presume that they are holding a Paraguay passport.

I was naturalized as an American citizen in the District Court of the Southern District of New York on *August 26, 1943*

Any advice or assistance on your part will be greatly appreciated.

I am at the same time writing to the State Department.

Most respectfully yours,

Frederick Lehmann, M.D.

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