MAY 12, 1945

Dear Mr. Travers:

There is enclosed herewith for appropriate reply a copy of a letter from Sgt. Eric Moldauer, together with a copy of our acknowledgment.

Sgt. Moldauer's wife's name was submitted by the Department and War Refugee Board to the Legations at Bern and Stockholm in March 1943 in accordance with plans formulated for aid to near relatives of United States citizens.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel
Florence Hodel
Acting Executive Director

Mr. Howard K. Travers,
Chief, Visa Division,
Department of State,
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure.

FJM:KBT:inp 5/11/45
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
WAR REFUGEE BOARD
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mr. Howard K. Travers
Chief, Visa Division
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

There is enclosed herewith for your appropriate reply a copy of a letter from S/Sgt. Eric Melchiori, together with a copy of our acknowledgment of L.Sgt. Melchiori's letter. His wife's name was submitted by the Department and War Refugee Board to the Legations at Bern and Stockholm in March 1945 in accordance with plans formulated for aid to near relatives of United States citizens.

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director
Sgt. Eric Moldauer  
32574147  
Hq., POW Command  

8 May 1946

War Refugee Board  
Executive Office of the President  
Sloane Building  
12th and Oth Streets  
Washington, D.C.  
Attn.: Mr. McCormack  

Sir,  

Ref. to: Herta Moldauer, Holland  

In reference to our conversation, in which you informed me that my wife's name, Herta Moldauer, had been submitted to our embassies in Stockholm and Berne on 19 March 1945 to assist her with her immigration to this country, I would like you to know the following:  

Today I received a letter from a Canadian soldier, who informed me, that he met my wife in good health. Her address is: c/o Wed. Bosma, Delfstrahuizen 22, Friesland, Holland.  

Would you be kind enough to help me and advise my wife — if possible by telegram — what steps she will have to take in order to accelerate and facilitate her immigration? You will readily understand that I am quite excited about the good news and more than anxious to do everything in my power to accomplish our reunion. I will naturally pay any expense incurred by you in our behalf.  

Please let me hear from you as soon as ever possible, I'll be very grateful.

Very respectfully yours,  

[Signature]
War Department
Sgt. Eric Holdauer 32574147
HQ PW Command, Camp Patrick Henley

War Refugee Board
Executive Office of the President
Sloane Building
12th & G Street
Washington D.C.

SPECIAL DELIVERY
Dear Sgt. Boldmaer:

Reference is made to your letter of May 6, 1945, concerning your wife, Herta Boldmaer.

We share with you the joy you must experience in the knowledge that your wife is in good health.

A copy of your letter has been referred to the Visa Division of the Department of State for reply to your request for information as to the ways and means to facilitate your wife's immigration to the United States. That Division is currently formulating plans for the resumption of immigration to the United States of persons in liberated countries.

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Acting Executive Director

Sgt. Hric Boldmaer,
32974147
HQ., POW Command,
Dear Sgt. Moldauer:

Reference is made to your letter of May 8, 1945, concerning your wife, Herta Moldauer.

We share with you the joy you must experience in the knowledge that your wife is in good health.

A copy of your letter has been referred to the Visa Division of the Department of State for affirmative acknowledgment of your request as to the ways and means to facilitate your wife's immigration to the United States. That Division is currently formulating plans for the resumption of immigration to the United States of persons in liberated countries. Emigration from Holland will begin subsequent to the establishment of United States Consulates in liberated Holland, which we understand will be in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

Florence Hodel
Assistant Executive Director
Sgt. Eric Holzauer
32574447
Hoo FOB Command
Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia

Dear Sgt. Holzauer:

Reference is made to your letter of May 6, 1945, concerning your wife, Herta Holzauer.

I share with you the joy you must experience in the knowledge that your wife is in good health.

Your letter has been referred to the Visa Division of the Department of State for more affirmative acknowledgment of your request as to the ways and means to facilitate your wife's immigration to the United States. That Division is currently formulating plans for the resumption of Immigration to the United States of persons in liberated countries. Immigration from Holland will begin subsequent to the establishment of United States Consulates in liberated Holland, which we understand will be in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

Florence M. Chalier
Assistant Executive Director

F.McCormack, 5/10/45
Dear Sergeant Moldauer:

Since my recent letter to you the War Refugee Board, in collaboration with the Department of State, has developed a special program calculated to benefit certain categories of persons in enemy territory. These include, among others, the wives of United States citizens and resident aliens.

While no assurances can be given as to the success of the plan, I suggest that you promptly file with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a petition to establish your wife as a person entitled to a non-quota or preference quota immigration visa as the wife of an American citizen or resident alien, whichever may be the case. Your petition should be accompanied by a letter stating that it is being filed at the suggestion of the War Refugee Board.

I am enclosing for your convenience two forms, one to be used if you are an American citizen, the other if you are not.

Very truly yours,

[Signed] J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Sergeant Kris Moldauer, 32 874 147
Hq. and Hq. Det. POW Side Camp
Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia

Enclosures
AUG 16 1944

Dear Sergeant Moldauer:

Thank you for your letter of August 6, 1944, furnishing us with the information requested in our letter of August 1, 1944.

In answer to your last paragraph, please be advised that the Board does not have any information concerning the whereabouts of your wife. However, we hope that she may be among those whom the Board may be able to rescue from enemy oppression.

Very truly yours,

[signature]

J. W. Pohle,
Executive Director.

Sgt. Eric Moldauer, 32 574 147,
Hg. & Hg. Det. PBY,
Camp Patrick Henry, Va.

Copy to: Dee. Sargent.
Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of 1 August 1944 kindly note that the visa for my wife, Erna Soldauer to enter the United States was issued by the U.S. Consul in Rotterdam, Holland, in March or April 1940.

If the correct date and file number should be of any value to you, although it is prior to July 1, 1941 I might be able to furnish same to you, as her visa was given together with the one issued to me.

May I ask if you have any information concerning her actual whereabouts? I did not succeed in getting any information from or about her and therefore would appreciate any kind of help very much.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Sgt. Eric Soldauer
Dear Corporal Moldauer:

Your attention is called to my letter of March 27, 1944, in response to your letter of March 18, 1944 in which you requested the assistance of the War Refugee Board in aiding your wife to leave Holland.

From your letter it appears that the issuance of a visa permitting your wife to enter the United States may have been authorized after July 1, 1941. If such a visa was authorized, I would appreciate your furnishing us with the following additional information:

1. The date of authorization of the issuance of such visa by the Department of State;

2. The reference or file number assigned to such visa or to its correspondence with you by the Department of State.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

Cpl. Eric Moldauer, ASN 32574147
Hq. Co. SCR, T-5-70
Camp Patrick Henry,
Newport News, Virginia

Copy to: Maj. Sargoy

M Sargoy: dh 7/28/44
The War Refugee Board,  
Executive Office of the President,  
Washington, 25. D.C.

SUBJECT: MOLDAUER, Herta.

Re. my former letters concerning my wife Herta Moldauer, I beg to inform you, that I was transferred to this post and kindly ask you to take note of the following address for any further information you might be able to give me.

Cpl. Eric Moldauer, ASN 32574147  
Hq. Co. SCB, T-5-70  
Camp Patrick Henry,  
Newport News, Virginia.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Eric Moldauer
13 April 1944.

Mr. J. W. Pehle,
Act. Executive Director
War Refugee Board,
Executive Office of the President,
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Ref. 355

I received your kind letter of March 27th.
I just want to thank you for bringing up the case
of my wife, giving me some hope for her rescue.
If it is not asking too much, please let
me know anything you might get to know in her case.

Very sincerely yours,

Eric Hohseiger, CPL 3295414
Co. E, 2nd TReg, Re. 9-115
Camp Ritchie, Md.

IDLE GOSSIP SINKS SHIPS
Dear Corporal Mollauer:

I have your letter of March 18, 1944, requesting the assistance of the War Refuée Board to enable your wife to leave Holland.

The War Refuée Board has referred to the Department of State for consideration certain aspects of this problem and will advise you further as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

J. V. Pohle
Acting Executive Director

Col. Eric Mollauer, 32674147,
Co. "F", 2nd Tnr. Bn., Brk. 118,
Camp Ritchie, Maryland.
The War Refugee Board,  
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

On May 10th 1940 I was caught on a business trip in Sweden while Holland was invaded and could not return to Holland, where my wife was waiting for me to emigrate to the U.S.A. Our boat was supposed to sail on May 21st.

There was no chance for me to go back to Holland to stay with her and only three months left to take advantage of my immigration visa to this country, for which we had been waiting many years.

Since I came to this country (via Russia - Japan) I continuously tried to get her out of Holland but it was hopeless. She is 23 years old and all by herself.

The foundation of the War Refugee Board gave me new hope and I wonder if you somehow could help us.

My wife's last address in May 1943 was:  
Herta Moldauer  
21/III Geelenstraat  
Amsterdam - Z.

I have relatives in Switzerland and very good friends in Sweden and Portugal which would be glad to help if they could.

I myself saved a little money and would be glad to give the last dollar I have.


IDLE GOSSIP SINKS SHIPS
I am citizen of the U.S.A. and a soldier in the
U.S. Army. Could you give me some hope before going
overseas?

Very sincerely yours
Eric Moldauer
Cpl.
32079147

Camp Ritchie, Md.
Co. B, 2d Tngs En. Brk 115

P.S. My former partner Mr. H.J. van der Plaats Jr.
Burg. Traubstr.
Voorschoten, Holland
is a very fine character, and would be glad to help
any time, without doubt.