

Requests for Specific Aid: MOLNAR, IMRE (M.L.)

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MAR 17 1945

Dear Mr. Molnar:

I have your letter of March 2, 1945, concerning your desire to secure information concerning your relatives in Budapest, Hungary.

While the Board is not in a position to handle inquiries concerning specific individuals, I can suggest two possibilities for ascertaining the whereabouts and welfare of your relatives. Your local Red Cross chapter may be able to help you send a message through the International Red Cross, or you may go to any Catholic rectory and request the priest to arrange for your inquiry to be sent through the Vatican message service. With respect to the latter, it is my understanding that the request will be directed through the Apostolic Delegate in Washington to the Vatican and that efforts will then be made to obtain information concerning your relatives through the facilities of the Nunciature and the Catholic clergy in Hungary.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William O'Dwyer

William O'Dwyer
Executive Director

Mr. Imre Molnar,
7021 North Wolcott Avenue,
Chicago 26, Illinois.

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IMRE MOLNAR
7021 NORTH WOLODYA AVENUE
CHICAGO 26, ILLINOIS

March 2, 1945

Dear Sir:-

On October 6, 1944 and October 13, 1944 I have written you on behalf of my parents Mr. & Mrs. Edmond Molnar of Budapest, Hungary, my sister and her daughter, also residing in Budapest. Since that time we are completely without news from them, in fact it is almost a year now that they send us the last Red Cross message. I am sure that you will understand how terribly anxious we are, in view of the events of the past few months, to do everything possible to help them, or at least to find out their whereabouts and the conditions they are in.

Since the place of their last known residence is under Russian occupation now, and, as I understand, there are American members in the armistice control commissions to the new Hungarian government, I thought, that there may be a chance now to obtain some information and, with your help, to give them some assistance.

Whatever you can suggest or do in this matter is very much appreciated.

Respectfully yours,

IMRE MOLNAR

I. Molnar

J.W. Pehle, Esq.
Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Washington 25, D.C.

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OCT 18 1944

Mr. A. A. Beria, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
State Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Beria:

The Board is advised that on or about November 12, 1941, approval was given for the issuance of immigration visas to Edmund Molnar and his wife, Berta Molnar, and Sari Molnar Szende and her daughter Erika Szende, whose last known address is Andrasay ut 28, Budapest, Hungary. We understand that the sponsors of these persons are Lt. Col. T. T. Molnar, Engineer's Supply Office, Army Service Forces Depot, Memphis 2, Tennessee, and Mr. Imre Molnar of 7021 North Wolcott Avenue, Chicago 26, Illinois.

I would appreciate your early advice as to the correctness of the foregoing information.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

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IMRE MOLNAR
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October 13, 1944

J.W. Pehle Esq.
Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:-

This letter is to thank you for yours of the October 11th, concerning the case of my father Edmund Molnar, his wife, my sister and her daughter. I believe I can best answer your questions by enclosing a copy of a communication I received from the State Department in 1941. Regarding my sister the authorization was given under the name quoted in the enclosed letter, however, my understanding is that she re-married since the outbreak of the war and if this is the case her name would have changed to Herczegh - but I am not sure of this.

My brothers' present address is:
Lt. Col. T.T. Molnar
Engineer's Supply Office
Army Service Forces Depot
Memphis 2, Tennessee

My brother as well as myself are American Citizens.

In closing I should like to repeat how much I am appreciating the interest you are taking in this matter.

Respectfully yours

IMRE MOLNAR



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1941

In Reply refer to
VD 811.111 Molnar, Edmund

Mr. Imre Molnar
7013 North Wolcott Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Sir:

With reference to your interest in the visa case of Edmund Molnar and wife Berta, and Sari Molnar Szends and daughter Erika, I take pleasure in informing you that, after careful consideration of the documents submitted, the Department has given advisory approval to the appropriate American Officer at Budapest for issuance of immigration visas.

Notification of this action has been transmitted by mail.

Very truly yours,

(signed) A. M. WARREN
Chief, Visa Division

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OCT 11 1944

Dear Mr. Molnar:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 6, 1944. Unfortunately, the Hungarian authorities have been unable or unwilling to carry out proposals made by them for the release of victims of persecution which were accepted by the American and British Governments.

The Board has, with the collaboration of the Department of State, developed a program calculated to assist persons in enemy controlled areas for whom American immigration visas were authorized on or after July 1, 1941, as well as persons who are so closely related to American citizens and resident aliens as to be entitled under the statutes to non-quota and preference-quota visas. We will undertake to secure for your parents whatever benefits this program may confer if you will advise me at your earliest convenience of the exact names under which immigration visas were authorized for them. It is not clear from your letter whether immigration visas were also authorized for your sister and her daughter. If they were, please also let me have the exact names in which such authorizations were issued. It would also be helpful if you would give your brother's present address and state whether he or you are American citizens.

While we cannot give you any assurances that our efforts will be successful, you may be assured that the Board is doing, and will continue to do, everything within its power to bring relief to and rescue victims of enemy persecution.

Very truly yours,

(Signature)

J. W. Pehle,
Executive Director.

Mr. Imre Molnar,
7021 North Wolcott Avenue,
Chicago, 28, Illinois.

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IMRE MOLNAR
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CHICAGO 26, ILLINOIS

October 6, 1944

John Pehle, Esq.
U.S. Treasury Department
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Your address, as Director of the War Refugee Board was communicated to me by Mr. Eliot B. Coulter of the Department of State, to whom I applied in the following matter.

Both my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Molnar, my sister and her daughter are living at Andrassy ut 28, Budapest, Hungary, or rather were living there in May this year when their last Red Cross communication to me was mailed. In 1941 I have filed, together with my brother, Lt. Col. T.T. Molnar, an affidavit on their behalf, and was informed on November 12, 1941 that advisory approval was given by the Secretary of State for the issuance of immigration visas. Unfortunately, they could not leave, because of the hostilities, which started shortly thereafter.

From a press report I was under the impression that negotiations were concluded between the United States and Hungarian Governments to the effect that Hungarian subjects were able to leave Hungary and enter the United States. I immediately asked information from the Secretary of State regarding this matter, but unfortunately the Department was unable to help me because of the absence of consular officers in enemy held territory. It was, however, suggested to me to communicate with you.

I should very much appreciate your help in making possible for me to bring my relatives into the United States and be glad to give further information you may request.

Respectfully yours,

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Chicago, Illinois

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