Requests for Specific Aid: Serafini Natalino (Mr.)
Dear Mr. Serafini:

I have your letter of March 30, 1945, concerning your desire to arrange to bring your daughter to this country from Italy.

I am sorry that the War Refugee Board is not in a position to help you with this problem, since immigration matters are not within its jurisdiction. I am informed, however, that a number of private organizations may be able to assist in matters of this nature, and I suggest that you write to any one of the agencies named in the enclosed list for information as to what action can be taken at this time to arrange for your daughter's entry into the United States.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William O'Dwyer

William O'Dwyer
Executive Director

Mr. Natalino Serafini,
913 North Drake Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Enclosure.
March 10th, 1945
262 North Drake Avenue
Chicaco, Illinois

War Reliefs Board
J.W. Pontes
Exe. Dir. Peter
Inc., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Filippo Seravini, born on January 25th, 1905 in Ponte San Pietro, Italy, has been an American citizen since 1926 through my father, and I came to the United States in 1936.

The wife arrived here on the 'Consul' for June 1940, 1940, having with her the 4-year-old daughter Isabella Seravini, born on April 16th, 1935, but she was unable to take our little girl because of adverse laws and regulations regarding the entry of children, which forced our family to leave the United States. She wrote to me, a certain relative of mine, who kindly arranged for her to enter the United States.

Upon my wife's arrival from Italy, she proceeded to the American Consul in Boston, and was informed that my child could enter only if the U.S. had the "extra quota" and that she would have to be sponsored by a citizen before necessary papers could be issued.

I immediately applied to the Consul in Chicago to begin legal proceedings and was informed that she would have to be sponsored by a citizen before necessary papers could be issued.

How the condition of the child, as to her health and education is a question too. It would be very hard to have her raise in our house, with our other two children, and it would be extremely difficult to send her to school.

I am appealing to you, exelent humanitarian organization for assistance. I have a very dear little girl, and I am unable to support her in the United States. I would be very grateful if you could assist her in any way possible.

I enclose her picture. I would be very grateful if you could help her in any way possible.

Yours faithfully,

Maria Seravini