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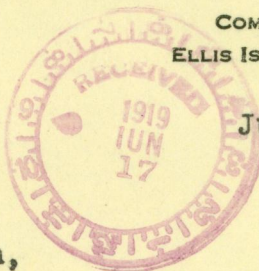
ADDRESS ANSWER TO
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AND REFER TO NUMBER

98738/26

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION
ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR, N. Y.

June 16, 1919.



Commissioner-General of Immigration,
Washington, D. C.

Please refer to my letters dated August 17th and November 8th, 1918, and February 27, 1919, regarding the proposed fine of \$200.00 and refund of \$79.00 passage money in the case of Benouta Veissi, ex SS "Giuseppe Verdi" May 30, 1918.

Will you please advise me what disposition is to be made of the money now held by the Collector of Customs as a special deposit.

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Agnes H. Hill
Assistant Commissioner.

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July 3, 1919.

Commissioner of Immigration,
Ellis Island, N. Y. H.

Replying to your letter of the 16th ultimo, No. 98738/26,
there is transmitted herewith a copy of Bureau letter of May 31st
last, disposing of the fine proceedings in the case of Benouta Veissi.

For the Commissioner-General:

EXACT COPY AS SIGNED BY ALFRED HAMPTON
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Assistant Commissioner-General.

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Morris Veissy,
c/o Joseph Beja,
134 West 38th St.

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Bureau of Immigration,
Department of Labor,
Washington, D.C.

New York Aug.14,1919.

Sir;-

The undersigned a declarent, having brought my fiancé Benouta Veissy to America in April 30th,1917 from Salonica, Greece, has been excluded by the Department of Labor on account of illiteracy and interned in Gloucester, N. Jersey.

She was admitted to this country temporarily on the day of the 16th of November 1918, on the condition to be deported at convenience.

I take the liberty of laying ~~xx~~ the bare facts of the situation before you.

On account of the two wars in the Balkans a terrible misery is existing throughtout that vicinity, and the big fire of Aug.18,1917 wich destroyed the greatest part of the city of Salonica, has doubled its sorrows , and made for any human being unfit to live.

The only protection wich my fiancé has over there is a suffering old widow mother without any living means. Therefore sir, you can picture what may be the future of this young lady if she is deported.

Personally I'am fairly well financialy fixed, and am in the position to marry her, and also to take care of her as well. So I appeal to the noble and human heart of the American Government to permit her to reside forever in this country.

In the hope of a favorable reply, I remain,

Faithfully yours.

Morris Veissy

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54334/344 - Appeal.

August 22, 1919.

Commissioner of Immigration,

Ellis Island, N. Y. H.

1. This letter refers to the case of Benouta Veissi, who arrived at your port on May 30, 1918 (No. 98738/26).
2. On November 26, 1918, you stated that you had not up to that time requested the Commissioner of Immigration at Philadelphia (alien at that time having been in detention at said station) to release her in accordance with instructions sent your port for her release under Rule 17-A. Her fiancé endorsed her written agreement and promise and became sponsor for her.
3. On December 2, 1918, after another conference with the Department, you were instructed to release alien to her sponsor, Morris Veissy. There is nothing on file in the case to show whether or not alien has ever been released.
4. Mr. Morris Veissy has stated in a letter to the Bureau that alien was temporarily admitted on November 16, 1918. In another part of his letter he seems to infer that alien is being held in detention at the Philadelphia station.
5. Please advise the Bureau as to the actual status of this case.

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Commissioner-General.

EXACT COPY IS SIGNED BY A. CAMINETT

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION
ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR, N. Y.

98738/26

July 15, 1919.

Mr. Morris Veissey,
c/o Mr. Jos. Beja,
134 West 38th Street, New York City.

Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 14th instant, enclosing Postal Savings order for \$15 to be placed to the credit of Benouta Veissy.

Replying to your inquiry as to "how long she must continue to send the twenty-five per cent of her wages, also when she will be permitted to live forever in America," I have to remind you that Mrs. Veissy, who was excluded as an illiterate alien, was only admitted temporarily by the Immigration authorities after a guarantee had been filed that she would be produced here for deportation when called for, etc. As long as she is employed in this country she will have to deposit twenty-five per cent of her earnings in the Postal Savings Bank, as agreed. On November 16, 1918, Mrs. Veissy agreed in writing to the above conditions and you signed such agreement as her sponsor. As soon as deportation becomes possible she will be obliged to surrender herself to this office, without expense to the Government, for return to the country whence she came.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Byron H. Uhl,

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Assistant Commissioner.

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MORRIS VEISSEY;
c/o Jos. Beja,
134 West 38th St.,
New York City.

July 14, 1919.

Commissioner of Immigration,
Ellis Island, New York Harbor.

Sir:

Enclosed please find fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the 25% of Mrs.
Benuta Veissey's wages.

She is in perfect health and is working at the same old place,
but being very anxious to live in this country and to live under
better conditions, she asked me to beg you to let her know for how
long she must continue to send the 25% of her wages, also when she will
be admitted to live forever in America.

Hoping to have a favorable and kind answer from your part,
I remain,

Faithfully yours,

Morris Veissey.



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OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION
ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR, N. Y.

August 27, 1919.

Commissioner-General of Immigration,
Washington, D. C.

Replying to Bureau letter of August 22, 1919, No. 54334/344, I have to advise you that Form 537, showing the admission of the alien Benouta Veissi, was sent to you under date of December 7, 1918. This Form bore the above Bureau number. Under date of April 11, 1919, a list of those aliens who had been released under Rule 17-A, including this illiterate alien, was sent to you in response to Bureau circular letter No. 54554/27 of April 7, 1919. At that time Mr. Morris Veissy had deposited with this office receipts of Postal Savings amounting to \$35. Up to date we have receipts amounting to \$60.

I inclose copy of Mr. Morris Veissy's last letter to this office, together with reply. This office understands that the alien has been steadily employed, except for a short illness, since her release on December 7, 1918.

For the Commissioner:

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Inclosure 14380

J. A. Baker
Superintendent.

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Morris Veissy,
c/o Joseph Beja.
134 West 38th St.
New York City.

September 16th, 1919.

Department Of Labor,
Washington. D.C.

Sir;---

A copy of the enclosed letter was sent to you about a month ago, but up to the present date, I have received no answer. I shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly let me know at your earliest convenience, what steps are to be taken in the matter.

Thanking you in advance, I remain

Faithfully yours.

Morris Veissy

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Morris Veissy,
c/o Joseph Beja,
134 West 38th St.,
New York City.

September 16th, 1919.

Department of Labor,
Washington. D. C.

Sir;---

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She was admitted to this country temporarily on the day of the 16th of November 1918. on condition to be deported at convenience.

I take the liberty of laying the bare facts of the situation before you which are well known to you. On account of the long existing wars in Macedonia a terrible misery is existing throughout that vicinity. Also the big fire of Aug. 18th 1917 which destroyed the most part of the city, has doubled its troubles and made for any human being unfit to live.

The only protection which my fiancée has over there is a suffering old widow mother without any living means.

Therefore you can picture what may be the future for this young lady if she is deported.

Personally I'am fairly well financially fixed. I'am in the position to marry her and to take care of her as well.

So I appeal to the noble and human heart of the American Government and yours to permit her to reside forever in this country.

In the hope of a favorable reply, I remain.

Faithfully yours.

Morris Veissy

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Morris Veissey,
c.o Joseph Bela,
134 West 38th Street,
New York City.

December 2nd, 1919.

Commissioner of Immigration,
Ellis Island, New York Harbor.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter No. 98738/26, in which you request that we furnish a report as to the present residence of Benouta Veissey and also a statement as to her employment during the past four months and the amount she saved up to date, I beg to inform you that this young lady came to America to get married and not to work.

For the short time she worked she sent you the twenty-five per cent of her wages, but four months ago she got married to me, because we were engaged long ago and I was responsible for her landing in America. We live in very good conditions at 116 Ludlow St. third floor, back. This is the only reason why we could not continue to send you the regular statement.

She is getting a lesson every night and she is doing well.

Personally I'm fairly well financially, and beeing very anxious to live forever in this country, I declare my intention to become an American citizen.

So, sir, I appeal to the noble and human heart of yours and the American Government to return, if possible, her savings now in your possession, because she has in Salonica, Greece, only a suffering old widowed mother without any living means and she needs our help.

Hoping to receive a favorable reply, I am,

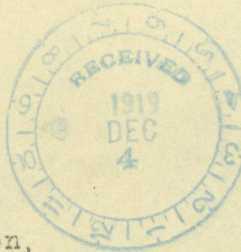
Respectfully Yours,
Morris Veissey.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION
ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR, N. Y.

December 3, 1919.



Commissioner-General of Immigration,
Washington, D. C.

Referring to Bureau No. 54334/344, I have to report that the sponsor for the illiterate alien Benouta Veissey, who was released by direction of the Department under Rule XVII-A, failed to make any further deposits of postal money order receipts after August 1st. We therefore asked for a report as to the alien's present residence and occupation and I forward copy of ~~the~~ reply, from which you will note that this woman was married four months ago and now asks for the return of the receipts covering her postal savings. I await your further instructions in the matter.

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Inclosure 8825

Raymond C. Loh
Assistant Commissioner.

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Ellis Island.

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January 14, 1920.

In re BENOUTA VEISSEY.

SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM
for THE ACTING SECRETARY:

Under date of June 14, 1918, the Department directed the deportation of this illiterate alien. However, deportation was not effected owing to war conditions. Under date of October 11, 1918, the Department directed that she be released temporarily under the provisions of Rule 17-A. The record shows that shortly after her parole the deposits stopped coming and an investigation was made with the result that it was learned that the alien has married. The husband has declared his intention of becoming a citizen. The request is made that the deposits be returned.

The Bureau has to recommend that, in view of the alien's marriage, her admission be made permanent, and following this recommendation it is believed that the deposit should be returned to the alien.

Seip H. H. H.
Assistant Commissioner-General.

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Approved:

Allen W. Herndon
Acting Secretary.

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January 16, 1920.

Commissioner of Immigration,
Ellis Island, N. Y. N.

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 3rd
ultimo, No. 99738/26, you are advised that the Acting Secretary
has authorized the permanent admission of Benetta Voissey. The
Postal Savings receipts should be returned to the alien.

EXACT COPY AS SIGNED BY ALFRED HAMMOND
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Assistant Commissioner-General.

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Commissioner General of Immigration,
Washington D.C.

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Please refer to my letter of August 17, 1918, enclosing notice of liability for fine in the sum of \$200 and refund of \$79 passage money, relating to the illiterate alien Benouta Veissi, who arrived at this port ex SS "Giuseppi Verdi", May 30, 1918. Bureau letter 54334/344, dated May 31, 1919, imposes a fine of \$200, and directs that the passage money, \$79, we retained in the possession of the Collector, pending a final disposition in the case. Bureau letter of Jan. 16, 1920, reports that the permanent admission of this alien has been authorized. The case, having been finally disposed of, I recommend refund of the passage money, \$79, to the depositors.

Respectfully,

For the Commissioner,

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BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION
LAW

Superintendent.

J. J. F.
No. 54334/344
Ellis Island.

December 21, 1920.

In re Return of Passage Money in the case of
Benouta Veissi who arrived on the SS GIUSEPPI VERDI" on
May 30, 1918.

MEMORANDUM for THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

When the above named alien arrived at the port of New York she was shown to be illiterate and was admitted but temporarily under bond. The record now shows that the alien has been admitted outright. In view of this fact it is believed that the money should be refunded to the company.

It is recommended that the passage money in the sum of \$79 be returned to the depositors.

For the
Assistant Commissioner-General.

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So ordered:

M. J. Peters
Special Immigrant Inspector.

Louis F. Post
Assistant Secretary.

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December 27, 1920.

Commissioner of Immigration,
Ellis Island, N.Y.H.

The Bureau refers to your letter of December 16, No. 98738/26, and advises that the Assistant Secretary now directs the return to the depositor of passage money, in the sum of \$79.00, involved in the case of the alien Benouta Veissi.

For the Commissioner General:

EXACT COPY AS SIGNED BY W. J. PETERS

MAILED DEC 27 1920 BY

Special Immigrant Inspector.

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