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Washington, D. C.
January 5, 1939

Dear Mr. Honaker:

I am writing this letter in behalf of Karl Richter, a German Rabbi, who has been offered a contract of employment as Rabbi for Temple Israel in Springfield, Missouri, for a two year period at an annual salary of \$1500.00.

Affidavits showing the offer was made in such form as to be binding upon Temple Israel, if accepted, together with other affidavits showing the financial responsibility of the Temple, and the financial responsibility and reliability of the members of the congregation have already been sent to your office.

Any consideration you may be able to show Rabbi Richter will be appreciated, as he is desirous of entering the United States at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

HST:MLD

Harry S. Truman

Honorable Samuel W. Honaker
American Consul General
Stuttgart, Germany



IRVING W. SCHWAB
ATTORNEY AT LAW
HOLLAND BUILDING
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

December 30, 1938

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Honorable Harry S. Truman
The Senate
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Senator Truman:

As one of the members of the congregation of Temple Israel of this City, which includes a reformed Jewish congregation, I have been requested to present to your attention this situation.

The congregation seeks to obtain a visa for a German Rabbi, Karl Richter, by offering him a contract of employment as Rabbi for Temple Israel for a two year period at an annual salary of \$1500.00, which offer has been accepted by cablegram from him just received.

Papers showing that the offer was made in such form as to be binding upon Temple Israel, if accepted, together with other papers showing the financial responsibility of the Temple and the financial responsibility and reliability of the members of the congregation have already been sent to the American Consul at Stuttgart.

This congregation is most desirous of obtaining Rabbi Richter for it has no religious leader in this City at all, and the interest manifested has been indicated by the present members of Temple Israel unanimously agreeing to have their respective dues substantially increased if Rabbi Richter may be obtained as Rabbi for the congregation, and also some members of the Orthodox Synagogue located here have also agreed to become dues paying members of Temple Israel if this can be accomplished. The need for having a Rabbi in this City of more than 65,000 people is particularly great by reason of the fact that the nearest Rabbi is located at Joplin, Missouri, which City, as you know, is considerable distance away.

The purpose of this letter, as stated, is to present the situation to you and to respectfully request you to render whatever assistance you can give toward contacting the proper officials in Washington and assist the people here to accomplish the purpose intended.

Anything you can do to assist us will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Irving W. Schwab

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Honorable Dan M. Nee
Collector, Internal Revenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dan:

Replying to yours of recent date, regarding Rabbi
Karl Richter, I am pleased to advise that a letter
has been written to the American Consul General in
Stuttgart, Germany, requesting every possible con-
sideration for him.

As soon as we have any information we shall be glad
to advise Mr. Schwab immediately.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Irving W. Schwab
Holland Building
Springfield, Missouri

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Dear Harry:

I have heard Mr. Schwab dictate the enclosed letter in regard to Rabbi Richter, and I know that everything he says is true, the Congregation mentioned are all substantial citizens and will stand back of any agreement they make, and I would appreciate it very much if you, with your usual promptness, contact the proper authorities to expedite the approval of his application for admission into the United States.

With kindest personal regards, and hoping that you will be able to attend the Jackson Day dinner, to which I will be looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at that time, I am

Sincerely yours,

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DAN M. NEE



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