



Letter from Max Bredig to Marianne and Viktor Homburger, December 25, 1940

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English Translation

Bredig

New York, December 25, 1940
664 West 163rd Street

Dear Anndel and Victor,

Today, on Christmas Day, we are thinking about you with the sincere hope that you are safe and that you will soon be freed upon obtaining the American immigration visa.

Yesterday, we sent you a telegram addressed to "Paul Victor Homburger, Unit E, Barrack 10":

"Your letters #1-#4 were received. We are waiting for further instructions by telegraph to help." Homburger Bredig"

When you receive this letter, hopefully we will have already received a confirmation by telegraph from you. Above all, we hope that you receive news from the consul that on November 16th, our lawyer (Mr. Gustav Jacoby, 52 Wallstreet), who is also a friend of Mr. Ludwig Bendix, sent a letter along with affidavits from me and Otto Warburg and all the

necessary supporting documents. I also sent a second packet of these documents with a cover letter by ship to the consul in Marseille. I have enclosed a copy here. Either with today's letter or the next ship, I will send you another affidavit, which is now supposedly required by the consul in addition to the affidavits of support. It is from Mr. Bendix in the form of a character reference and is certified by the Bank of the Manhattan Company. We didn't send the Bendix affidavit previously but can do this at any time. To save time, I will send it to you so that you have it available if the consul would ask for it.

I sent you fifty dollars in November and paid five dollars in expenses. Hopefully you received it upon notification.

There are rumors about the possibility of being freed from the camp if certain means of subsistence can be proven by affidavit or the like. If you think that we can or should do something from here, please let us know. I keep hoping that you will receive the visa soon so that such things are unnecessary. I don't think it will be possible to send the suitcases. In addition to many other reasons, I don't think it's possible to let Ernest know about it under the current circumstances.

Enclosed is a copy of a new cover letter for my affidavit, which was updated by the Treasury Department. In the letter that I sent directly to the consul in Marseille in April, there was only one copy of the one issued to me in April. I think this will suffice. If necessary, I will send the original together with the original Bendix affidavit directly to the consul.

We are doing well. Best wishes for a much better new year.

Max

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Changed by Fritz H. We telegraphed on December 1st.