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Lt. H. V. Bair,

Casualty Branch, War Department,

Munitions Bldg., Room 4607,

Washington, D. C.

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VELVYSLANECTVÍ ČESKOSLOVENSKÉ REPUBLIKY  
CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

No. 7441/44

December 5, 1944.

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Lt. H. V. Bair,  
Casualty Branch,  
War Department,  
Munitions Bldg., Room 4607,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the telephone conversation with Miss Kawood, I beg to transmit to you in the enclosure the only information we have on hand about Czechoslovak citizens in the Philippines.

It is as follows:


- a/ a list of Czechoslovak citizens compiled by the Czechoslovak Consulate General in Chicago which was the supervising office of the Czechoslovak honorary consulate in the Philippines.
- b/ a list of the employees of the Beta Shoe Co., who went to the Phillipines in behalf of this company. Further information about the persons on this list may be obtained from Mr. Vladimír Chlud, c/o Beta Shoe Company, Belcamp, Maryland.

I am requesting the Czechoslovak Consulate General in Chicago to furnish us with any additional information which they may have on the persons listed in the a/ List.

Yours very truly,

For the Ambassador:

Enclosures: 2



Dr. Karel Červenka,  
Czechoslovak Minister.

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330 South Wells Street

GENERÁLNÍ KONSULÁT REPUBLIKY ČESKOSLOVENSKÉ  
CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC

CHICAGO 6, ILLINOIS

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AO:BT

December 26, 1944.

Lt. H. V. Blair,  
Casualty Branch,  
War Department,  
Munitions Building, Room 4607,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the letter of our Embassy in Washington, No. 7441/44 dated December 5, in which that office sent you some information regarding Czechoslovak citizens in the Phillipines, this Consulate General can only add that, Leo Eisner 1906, Irma Eisner 1913, Walter Rauscher 1919, and Clementia RAUSCHER 1891, whose names appear on the list sent to you by the Embassy, now reside at 2211 South Elmwood Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois.

Very truly yours,



Dr. Karel Wendl,  
Consul General.

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List a/

CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS IN THE PHILIPPINES

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Birth</u>	<u>address</u>			
Bžoch, Jan	1909	P.O. Box 1431, Manila,	Married,	visitor	1939
" Vladimira	1915	" "	wife	"	"
" Vladka	1940	" "	daughter	native	
Cifka, Josef	1890	Polo Club, "	married	visitor	1938
Eisner, Leo	1906	45 Leveriza Pasay"	"	"	1939
" Irma	1913	" "	wife	"	1939
Fuchs Dr. Pavel	1902	P.O.B.1281, Manila,	divorced	"	1939
Herrmann, Bedřich	1916	1034 Indiana St.	married	emigr.	1940
Herrmann, Magda	1919	" " " Manila	wife	"	1940
Herrmann, Leo	1916	880 Santol St. "	married	visitor	1940
" Charlotte	1914	" "	wife	"	"
Herrmann, Jiří	1900	112 Sakura machi, Dairen,	married	"	1935
Hirsch, Otto	1918	238 Vito Cruz, Man.	single	emigr.	1939
Hrdina, Jarosl.	1905	720 Nebr. St. Manila	married	"	1939
" Emilie	1910	" "	wife	trans.	"
" Jiřina	1933	" "	daughter	"	"
Lenk, Bedřich	1893	690 Taft Ave. Manila	single	emigr.	1940
Lenk, Hans	1890	" "	single	"	"
Loewenstein, Ella	1888	Eldorado 410 "	single	visit.	1939
Morávek, Arnošt	1886	Calle Robert 317 Man.	married	emigr.	1927
" Emilie	1892	" " "	wife	"	"
Müller, Robert	1906	Smith-Bell Co. Cebu	single	"	1939
Novák, Tamara	1913	Miramar Apt. Manila	single	"	1937
Rauscher, Walter	1919	Levy-Blum, Manila	single	"	1939
Rauscher, Clementia	1891	45 Leveriza Pasay, Manila	widow	"	"
Rosenthal, Jan	1919	Fort Shafter, Honolulu	single	student	"
Roth, Kazmir	1904	Santol Hall, Manila	-	-	-
Schmelkes, Norb.	1906	Paranaque Rizal	married	emigr.	1932
" Lydia		" "	wife	"	"
" Marie	1938	" "	daughter	native	"
Schmelkes, Willy	1900	P.O.B.1281, Manila	married	emigr.	1935
" Ellen	1904	" " "	wife	"	1936
Stránský, Dr. Evž.	1891	Manila	single	visit.	1939
Aster, Karel	1920	1 William Pasay, Man.	single		
Fila, Josef	1920	630 Dimalong, Manila	"		
Fischgrund, Alf.	1908	Arias Bldg., Rizal Ave.	"		
Ferbec, Ludvik	1912	1936 Robert Pasay, Man.	married		
Kováč, Frant.	1904	630 Dimalong, Manila	"		
Jančák, Karel		" " "	single		
Jašák, Josef		" " "	"		
Jašic, Lad.	1906	" " "	single		

List b/  
-----CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS IN THE PHILLIPPINES  
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/from the Bata Shoe Co. of Belcamp, Md./

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Ludvík Gerbec, born 1914, married, one child.	1936 Robert Pasay, Man.
Jarosl. Hrdina, " 1912, " two children.	
Frant. Kovář, " 1904, " two children	630 Dimsalong, Man.
Alfred Fischgrund, single	Arias Bldg. Rizal Av., Man.
Karel Aster, born 1919, "	1 William Pasay, Man.
Karel Dančák, " 1920 "	630 Dimsalong, Manila
Lad. Zajíc, " 1906 "	" " "
Josef Fila, " 1912 "	" " "
✓ Josef Vašák, " 1907 "	" " "
Miss Josefa Zapletalova, Born 1920, Single.	
Miss Frant. Křížová, " 1914 "	
✓ Ant. Volný, .	Married.



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Authority NN0 833073Manila, P.I.  
2 October 1945

I certify that the following Czechoslovakian citizens volunteered to serve with United States Army in Bataan on or about 30 December 1941. As far as I can learn the following is the status of these individuals at the present time.

Their salaries were \$ 200.00 a month each.

Bzoch, Jan	"	" Deceased
Fuchs, Paul	"	
Hermann, Leo	"	
Lenk, Fred	"	
Verak, Josef	"	
Volny, Antonin	"	

Aster, Karel	- Manila
Dancak, Karel	- U.S.
Hermann, Fred	- U.S. Repatriation Czech.
Hirsch, Otto	- Manila
Lenk, Hans	- Manila
Moravek, Ernest	- U.S. Repatriation Czech.
Schmelkes, Norbert	- Mexico City

(sgd.) M. A. QUINN  
Col. Dept. QMC.  
Former Motor Transport Officer and  
Chief Motor Transport.  
Serv. Luzon Forces

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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Authority: NO 333028AGPO-CR 201 Lenk, Hans  
(5 Dec 47)

5 December 1947.

Mr. Hans Lenk,  
166 Manga Avenue,  
Manila, P. I.

Dear Mr. Lenk:

I am referring to your letter of 15 November 1947, requesting further evidence of your loyalty to the Allied cause during the war with Japan by military service in the Army of the United States.

It is shown by payroll records brought out of the Philippines during the war that you were employed as a civilian by the Quartermaster Corps, Philippine Motor Transport Depot, Bataan, P.I., at \$200.00 per month, on or about 29 December 1941. There is no record of your entry into the military service of this country either as an enlisted man or an officer.

A determination was made of your status under the Missing Persons Act on 15 August 1945, by Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, Pacific, which stated that you were a civilian employee of the War Department, captured by the Japanese Government on 9 April 1942, on Bataan, P.I., and that you were interned as a civilian employee of the Army at Milibid Prison, Manila, P.I., until released by the American Forces on 4 February 1945. It is assumed that you have already accepted full payment for the period of your internment.

Colonel Michael A. Quinn, former Motor Transport Officer and chief of Motor Transport Service, Luzon Forces, P.I., has certified that you were among the thirteen loyal Czechoslovakian citizens who volunteered on or about 30 December 1941, to serve with the United States Army on Bataan and that you were employed at a salary of \$200.00 per month.

You were among the many loyal civilians of various nationalities who volunteered their services and were accepted as civilian employees and who fought with the American troops on Bataan and Corregidor and were captured by the enemy. These employees' unswerving loyalty and devotion to the Allied Cause was of the highest type since they were not compelled by military command, but by their devotion to the cause of freedom.

AGPO-CR 201 Lenk, Hans  
(5 Dec 47)

Your loyalty to the United States Army and the Allied Cause is further demonstrated by the fact that you were paid for the full period of the Japanese occupation of the Philippines just as our soldiers were. Payment of such benefits would have been prohibited under the Missing Persons Act (Public Law 490, 77th Congress as amended) to any disloyal individuals.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General of the Army.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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AGPO-CR 201 Leuk, Hans  
(5 Dec 47)

5 December 1947.

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Authority: NO 353073Mr. Hans Leuk,  
166 Manga Avenue,  
Manila, P. I.

Dear Mr. Leuk:

I am referring to your letter of 15 November 1947, requesting further evidence of your loyalty to the Allied cause during the war with Japan by military service in the Army of the United States.

It is shown by payroll records brought out of the Philippines during the war that you were employed as a civilian by the Quartermaster Corps, Philippine Motor Transport Depot, Bataan, P.I., at \$200.00 per month, on or about 29 December 1941. There is no record of your entry into the military service of this country either as an enlisted man or an officer.

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(6 Dec 47)

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EDWARD F. WITSELL,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General of the Army.

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