



*Embassy of the United States of America*  
Grand Duchy of Luxembourg  
14 June 1990

Mr. Jos Weirich  
President  
Fédération des Victimes du  
Nazisme Enrôlées de Force  
Boîte Postal No. 2415  
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Dear Mr. Weirich:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of 14 May, addressed to President George Bush, regarding United States visa requirements for Luxembourg citizens.

The concerns you expressed in your letter have been brought to the attention of the appropriate authorities in Washington. I understand that the Congress will consider extension or amendment of the visa waiver law later this year.

Please find enclosed a copy of a memorandum which addresses many of the issues you raised in your letter. I draw your attention particularly to the paragraph which refers to persons who participated in persecutions between 1933 and 1945.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LeRoy O. Smith", written over a large, stylized star or asterisk symbol.

LeRoy O. Smith  
Consul of the  
United States of America

Enclosure as stated



NONIMMIGRANT VISA WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM

The Nonimmigrant Visa Waiver Pilot Program (VWPP) was established by Act of Congress in 1986. The Law provides for the visa free entry of nationals of up to eight designated countries coming to the U.S. for tourism or business for a period not to exceed 90 days. The Program will end September 30, 1991, unless a new law to extend or expand it is enacted.

As required by Congress, each of the countries selected for this pilot program has a high volume of applicants for nonimmigrant visas to the United States. All eight countries have now been designated on the basis of visas issued in 1988:

Japan	1,789,598	Italy	249,853
Great Britain	955,739	The Netherlands	186,173
West Germany	702,557	Switzerland	145,793
France	374,353	Sweden	144,441

By way of contrast, in the same year only 4,929 visas were issued to Luxembourg citizens--representing minimal costs in visa processing to the United States government.

In addition to the volume of visa issuances, the Congress set several other criteria also. These include a low rate of refusal of visa applications; participating country waiver of visa requirements for Americans; completion of a visa waiver form by the traveller; surrender of the right to an exclusion hearing; possession of a round-trip ticket; and arrival aboard one of the 163 carriers who have signed agreements with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to participate in the program.

The United States continues to prohibit the admission of persons who participated in persecutions during the period 1933-1945. At the port of entry the Immigration and Naturalization Service may refuse entry to anyone ineligible under the law. Any such persons are sent back on the next returning flight.

**Fédération des Victimes  
du Nazisme Enrôlées de Force** a. s. b. l.

REPRESENTANT: L'ASSOCIATION DES PARENTS DES DEPORTES MILITAIRES LUXEMBOURGEOIS -  
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**Luxembourg, le** May 14th, 1990  
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Personal letter

To Mister George BUSH  
President of the United States of America  
White House  
Washington D.C.

Kindly transmitted by

His Excellency Edward M. Rowell  
The US Ambassador to Luxembourg  
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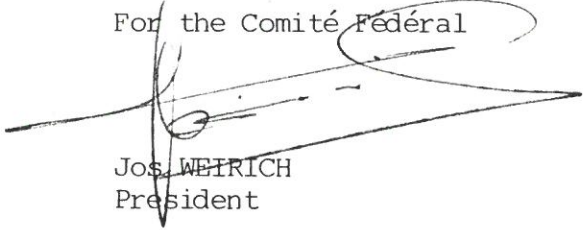
Dear Mister President,

The Fédération des victimes du nazisme enrôlées de force supports the request of the Amicale Pinne & Jannowitz exposed in their letter of April 20th, 1990 to abolish all visa formalities for Luxembourg citizens intending to visit the USA.

Your favour to this request would be especially appreciated by the victims of the Naziregime, liberated by American soldiers in Europe during World War II and would illustrate the ties that bind our two nations by their sacrifices for the principles of democracy and freedom.

We would be very grateful for your attention concerning this request and we present to you, dear Mister President, our most deeply felt respect and sympathy.

For the Comité Fédéral



Jos WEIRICH  
President

Copy: M. Jacques SANTER Prime-Minister  
M. J.P.POOS Minister of Foreign Affairs  
H.E.M. André PHILIPPE, L-Ambassador to the USA  
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Amicale Pinne & Jannowitz

# AMICALE PINNE & JANNOWITZ

Enrôlés de Force -Victimes du Nazisme

Date: April 20th 1990

P e r s o n a l   l e t t e r

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              the US Ambassador to Luxembourg  
              22, bd Emmanuel Servais  
              L-2535 Luxembourg

Dear Mister President,

The Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg has always been a good friend to the USA, just as the Luxembourg people's trust and confidence have never been abused by its reliable partner.

During World War II, Luxembourg was a faithful Ally of the USA in spite of having been occupied and mistreated by the Nazi regime. Our resistance fighting was highly admired by the outside world both during and after the war period.

You have recently abolished all visa formalities for West-German citizens wishing to visit your great country.

May we remind you the fact that this nation has still only the status of the " war being ended" and has never yet made any steps towards concluding an official and durable peace treaty.

Although you will certainly have good reasons to have done this favour to the West-Germans, we Luxembourgers feel a bit ashamed of our resulting outsider position and would like to ask you to be considered in a balanced and appreciated way.

We therefore dare to suggest that you equally abolish all visa formalities for Luxembourgers intending to visit the USA. This also would be a handy chess-move chaining our 150 th anniversary of independence.

We would be grateful for your attention concerning this request and we do hope that a fair solution for our problem is within your possibilities without great political interference.

Wishing you a successful political career and a fulfilled private life, we present to you, dear Mister President, our most deeply felt

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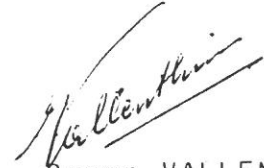
Amicale Pinne and Jannowitz  
Victims of Nazisme



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Copy : Our Prime-Minister *J. Spitzer*  
Minister of Foreign Affairs *J.P. 1953*  
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avec prière d'appuyer notre demande avec les moyens appropriés

*E.d.F.V.N pour info*