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U. S. Department of Justice  
Immigration and Naturalization Service  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Petition is hereby made to classify the status of alien beneficiary Chaim Mair Rosenberg, now of Great Britain, for the issuance of immigrant visa as a highly skilled person necessary for the technical programs now in progress in the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry. This petition is being presented by the Director of the Institute, Dr. Max Fink, and the Director of the Division of Mental Diseases of the State of Missouri, Dr. George A. Ulett.

The Missouri Institute of Psychiatry is an integral part of the Division, created in October, 1962, by the Governor of the State of Missouri, the Hon. John F. Dalton. The Institute was created to study the problems of the mentally ill of the State of Missouri, to provide special treatment facilities for those citizens, and to provide training programs for professional personnel, especially physicians in the specialized disciplines of psychiatry and community psychiatry. Because of the insufficient number of physicians available to carry out the functions of the Division of Mental Diseases, the Governor and the legislature of the State of Missouri in 1961, and again in 1963, provided funds for this research and training center.

The Institute employs 30 technically skilled research workers and teachers and has a clinical staff of 90 who provide for the patient care within the Institute facility.

Funds for the operations of the Institute are provided by the Legislature of the State of Missouri, research grants from private foundations and the National Institutes of Mental Health, and from special budgetary allocations of the St. Louis State Hospital. For the biennium 1963-65, the sum total of funds devoted to research and training within the Institute proper and including the funds allocated to patient care, approximated \$850,000.

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In the research programs of the Institute, specially trained personnel in the fields of neurophysiology, pharmacology, biochemistry, computer sciences and experimental and clinical psychology have been appointed. Since the majority of these studies revolve about patients within the Institute setting, clinical psychiatrists are a cornerstone of these programs. Indeed, competently trained clinical psychiatrists with specialized abilities in descriptive psychiatry provide much of the basic information needed by the laboratory scientists. For this reason, all appointees to the clinical programs of the Institute must be board qualified psychiatrists. While there are many such in the United States, they, for the most part, are in clinical practice in the community and very few are available for clinical research. For this reason, we have sought and appointed extraordinarily qualified psychiatrists from outside the United States to the Institute. At the present time, six such qualified European and Australian psychiatrists from outside the United States provide the basic data of our clinical programs.

One of these psychiatrists, Dr. Harry Neubauer, is leaving early in October following his experience here. It is as a replacement for him that we seek the early admission of Dr. Chaim Meir Rosenberg. We have been unable to find a replacement from candidates within the United States, and this important program will not be able to continue unless we can find an immediate replacement.

It is our opinion that the early admission of Dr. Rosenberg will substantially benefit the research and treatment programs of the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry, and directly accrue to the benefit of the patients of this institution. It is our hope that Dr. Rosenberg's participation in our research programs will assist us in making contributions to the understanding of the problems of the mentally ill. Since our programs are supported by national as well as local resources, all the information obtained in our programs is presented as rapidly as possible to the scientific community, thereby benefitting the general cultural and medical welfare of the American public.

Dr. Chaim Meir Rosenberg is a qualified physician, and has completed his training leading to an advanced certificate as a qualified psychiatrist. He has received the Diploma in Psychological Medicine awarded by the Conjoint Examining Board in England. In addition, he holds a certificate from the Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates, which is a confirmation of his general medical qualifications.

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His records have been examined by the appropriate committees of this Institute, and he is qualified for an appointment as an Assistant Research Scientist. This position carries an annual salary of \$15,000. The position is available as of October 15, 1964.

Enclosed are certificates relating to Dr. Rosenberg's qualifications:

- (1) Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.
- (2) Full Registration as Medical Practitioner in the Foreign List of the Register from the General Medical Council.
- (3) Diploma of Psychological Medicine.
- (4) Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates Examination.

We will be grateful for your cooperation in the rapid processing of this application.

Sincerely yours,

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