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THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION

WASHINGTON

October 4, 1976

Last Day: October 9

Posted 10/5/76 archives 10/12/76

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT JIM CANNON HOUSer

SUBJECT:

FROM:

H.R. 7624 - Relief of Jacinto Vazquez Camacho

Attached for your consideration is H.R. 7624, sponsored by Representative Howard.

The enrolled bill would facilitate the admission of the alien adopted son of a U.S. citizen into the United States. At the time of his adoption, the beneficiary was over the age of fourteen and therefore ineligible to be classified as an immediate relative child.

Additional information is provided in OMB's enrolled bill report at Tab A.

OMB, Max Friedersdorf, Counsel's Office (Kilberg), NSC and I recommend approval of the enrolled bill.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 7624 at Tab B.





EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 7624 - Relief of Jacinto Vazquez Camacho Sponsor - Rep. Howard (D) New Jersey

Last Day for Action

October 9, 1976 - Saturday

Purpose

To facilitate the admission of the alien adopted son of a U.S. citizen into the United States.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Immigration and Naturalization Service	Approval
Department of State	No objection

Discussion

The beneficiary is a 16-year-old Mexican boy who was adopted in Mexico by a U.S. citizen on July 2, 1975. Jacinto's indigent mother and four siblings reside in Mexico; his father's whereabouts are unknown. Because of her poverty and inability to properly care for him, Mrs. Camacho had consented to his adoption. Jacinto was admitted to the United States on a temporary visa and resides in New Jersey with his adoptive father, Mr. Michael Peter McAndrew. His visa has since expired, but deportation proceedings have not been instituted against him.

Because Jacinto was over the age of fourteen at his adoption, he is ineligible to be classified as an immediate relative child of his adoptive father. H.R. 7624 would declare Jacinto to be the child of Mr. McAndrew, thereby waiving in his behalf the current law's age limit regarding the adoption of alien orphans by U.S. citizens. This would permit Mr. McAndrew to petition for the immediate issuance of an immigrant visa to Jacinto, and, thus, permit adjustment of his status to that of permanent resident.

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO : OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT: Enrolled Private Bill No. H.R. 7624 ; Office of Management and Budget request dated September 24, 1976

Beneficiary or Beneficiaries ______ Jacinto Vazquez Camacho.

Pursuant to your request for the views of the Department of Justice on the subject bill, a review has been made of the facsimile of the bill, the relating Congressional Committee report or reports, and all pertinent information in the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service

On the basis of this review the Immigration and Naturalization Service, on behalf of the Department of Justice:

X Recommends approval of the bill

Interposes no objection to approval of the bill

Sincerely,

commissioner

CO Form 18 (REV. 1-17-72)

September 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Lynn:

Reference is made to Mr. Fryy's communication of September 24, 1976, transmitting for comment enrolled bills, H.R. 5503, "For the relief of Divina Mamuad", <u>H.R. 7624</u>, "For the relief of Jacinto Varquez Camacho", and H.R. 7832, "For the relief of Janette Flores Byrne".

This Department has no objection to the enactment of these bills.

Sincerely yours,

Kempton B. Jenkins Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

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The Honorable James T. Lynn, Director, Office of Management and Budget

THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.:

Date: October 2

Time: 417pm

FOR ACTION:

NSC/S M Max Friedersdorf Bobbie Kilberg Dick Parsons cc (for information): Jack Marsh Jim Connor

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: October 5

Time: 1100am

SUBJECT:

H.R. 7624-Relief of Jacinto Camacho

ACTION REQUESTED:

----- For Necessary Action

____ For Your Recommendations

_____ Prepare Agenda and Brief

____ Draft Reply

X For Your Comments

____ Draft Remarks

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James M. Cannon For the President **MEMORANDUM**

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

October 4, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: J

JAMES M. CANNON

FROM:

Jeanne W. Davis W H.R. 7832, H.R. 7624 and H.R. 10434

SUBJECT:

The NSC Staff has no objection to the following proposed Enrolled Bills:

H.R. 7832 - Relief of Mrs. Janette F. Byrne H.R. 7624 - Relief of Jacinto Camacho 'H.R. 10434 - Relief of Dr. Carlos Montenegro-Gorbitz, his wife, Maria Elena Olguin De Gorbitz, and their son, Carlos Gorbitz-Olguin.

JACINTO VAZQUEZ CAMACHO

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JUNE 18, 1976.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

Mr. FISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 7624]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 7624), for the relief of Jacinto Vazquez Camacho, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate the admission into the United States for permanent residence of the adopted son of a citizen of the United States.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The beneficiary is a 16-year-old native and citizen of Mexico who was adopted in that country by a citizen of the United States on July 2, 1975. He was admitted to the United States as a visitor and resides with his adoptive father in New Jersey.

The pertinent facts in this case are contained in a letter from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, dated August 13, 1975, to the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. That letter and accompanying memorandum read as follows:

> UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE. Washington. D.C., August 13, 1975.

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Hon. PETER W. RODINO.

Chairman. Committee on the Judiciary, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In response to your request for a report relative to the bill (H.R. 7624) for the relief of Jacinto Vasquez Camacho, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

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The bill provides that for immigration purposes the beneficiary, who has been adopted by a United States citizen, may be classified as a child and granted immediate relative status upon approval of a petition to be filed by the adoptive parent. It also provides that the beneficiary's natural parents or siblings shall derive no immigration benefits by virtue of such relationship.

The beneficiary, a native of Mexico, is chargeable to the numerical limitation for immigrants from the Western Hemisphere. He is statutorily ineligible to adjust his status while in the United States and will be required to apply for a visa outside of this country.

Sincerely,

Leonard F. Chapman,

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Commissioner.

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE H.R. 7624

Information concerning this case was obtained from Mr. Michael Peter McAndrew, the adoptive parent and interested party.

The beneficiary, Jacinto Vasquez Camacho, was born January 16, 1960 in Saltillo, Coehuila, Mexico. He resides with

his adoptive father in New Monmouth, New Jersey. He was adopted in the Central Court of Saltillo on July 2, 1975. His mother and four siblings, aged 5 through 16, reside together in Mexico. The whereabouts of his father is unknown. His mother, living in dire poverty, and being unable to properly care for him, consented to his adoption.

Mr. Michael Peter McAndrew was born January 10, 1941

in Hackenstok, New Jersey. He is single and is temporarily residing with a brother in New Monmouth, New Jersey, He earned a master's degree in Spanish literature at Rutgers University, is a theology graduate from Washington Theo-

logical Coalition in Maryland and is a doctoral candidate at

the Universidad Internacional in Saltillo, Mexico. He lacks only his thesis, which he will write while in the United States. He has spent two years studying in Mexico; prior to that he had been employed as a teacher. Having recently returned to the United States, he is considering several job offers before establishing a permanent address. He lists assets of \$53,000 consisting of stocks, bonds and savings.

The beneficiary's only entry into the United States was at Roma, Texas on July 4, 1975 as a visitor for pleasure with authorization to remain until September 10, 1975. He was accompanied by his adoptive father. Deportation proceedings have not been instituted.

The beneficiary does not qualify for immediate relative status as a child under section 101(b)(1)(F) of the Immigration and Nationality Act because the adoptive father is not married.

A report from the Department of State, dated August 13, 1975, reads as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, D.C., August 13, 1975.

Hon. PETER W. RODINO, Jr.,

Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In reference to your request for a report concerning the case of Jacinto Vasquez Camacho, beneficiary of H.R. 7624, 94th Congress, there is enclosed a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary. This memorandum has been submitted by the American Consulate General at Monterrey, Mexico, where the beneficiary was issued a nonimmigrant visa.

The bill would provide for the beneficiary's classification as a child and for granting of immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed by Mr. Michael P. McAndrew, an American citizen. It also provides that the natural parents or brothers and sisters of the beneficiary shall not by virtue of such relationship, be accorded any right, privilege or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. MCCLOSKEY, Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.

Enclosure.

Submitted by the American Consulate General at Monterrey, N.L., Mexico

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION CONCERNING H.R. 7624 FOR THE RELIEF OF JACINTO VASQUEZ CAMACHO

The only record we have of the subject is that the adoptive father, Mr. McAndrew, came to the Consulate General on June 17, 1975. He showed a letter from Congressman Howard addressed to him dated June 3, 1975 stating that a private bill would be introduced for the relief of the subject.

Since the subject wants to immigrate to the United States and presently is under the age of 16 years, he was registered for an immigrant visa on June 17, 1975 as being presently exempt from the provisions of Section 212 (a) (14) of the Act.

Subject is chargeable to the Western Hemisphere limitation. No derogatory information exists concerning the subject to

the best of our knowledge.

Mr. Howard submitted the following letters and statements in support of his bill:

Congress of the United States, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., May 11, 1976.

Hon. Joshua Eilberg,

Chairman, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and International Law, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you for your recent letter in which you advise that the Members of your Subcommittee have recommended that my bill, H.R. 7624, should be favorably reported to the full Committee on the Judiciary. I wish to again make known to you my full support for this legislative remedy for the relief of Jacinto Vazquez Camacho so that he may be classified as a child within the meaning of section 101(b)(1)(F). This action, as you already know from the information submitted earlier, is necessary since the child was adopted after he exceeded the age of 14 and since the expiration of his adoptive father's visa necessitated their leaving Mexico before the two year residency period had elapsed.

I believe this action to be most desirable since the beneficiary has shown himself to be a well adjusted youngster under the strong moral guidance of his adoptive father, Michael McAndrew. Every report I have received shows Jacinto to me making excellent progress in school, maintaining excellent health, and altogether benefiting from his warm and secure home situation.

Both the progress that Jacinto has shown and the numerous favorable letters regarding Mr. McAndrew speak well for Mr. McAndrew's ability to provide for such a healthy family environment. His concern for the educational, moral and social development of Jacinto are also reflected through his civic involvement as well. Mr. McAndrew is an active member of the Board of the Monmouth County Spanish Affairs Council, Inc. and serves as the Chairman of their Education and Welfare Committee.

I appreciate the cooperation of your Subcommittee in taking favorable action on this legislation and seek your assistance in obtaining similar action by the full Committee.

With all best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely,

JAMES J. HOWARD.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, Eatontown, N.J., February 28, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Michael P. McAndrew is working for us at the Immaculate Conception Day Care and Child Development Center. For his services as a Bilingual Social Worker, Mr. McAndrew receives a salary of \$8,500.00. At the same time, Mr. McAndrew acts in the capacity of Coordinator of the Immaculate Conception CCD Program and CYO Program. For these services Mr. McAndrew receives a salary of \$3000.00.

Both working contracts for a total of \$11,500.00 are extended to Mr. McAndrew on a yearly basis from January to January of each year.

If further information should be required, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rev. MANUEL FERNANDEZ, Administrator.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, Eatontown, N.J., February 28, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have known Mr. Michael P. McAndrew since August of 1975. He is one of my outstanding parishioners, living at 69-A White Street, Eatontown, New Jersey. I see Mike on a daily basis. Mike is a man of beautiful character and possesses most edifying social, civic and moral customs. He is doing a wonderful job with the youth of this Spanish Community; and is also raising his adopted son, Jacinto, in a most responsible and conscientious manner. Mike is very much liked by the whole community and is sharing all his multiple abilities and talents with the disadvantaged and poor of this community.

I want to stress my observation on two particular points that reminds me of the good families of the good old days: I always see Mike and Jacinto coming to church together, praying together and socializing together; secondly, I can testify to Mike's concern for the eductional, moral and social development of his son, Jacinto.

I am happy and proud to know and to have this family unit in my Parish.

If further information is needed, please feel free to contact me. Sincerely,

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Rev. MANUEL FERNANDEZ, Administrator.

DR. JOHN J. CAHILL, New Monmouth, N.J., February 26, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

Jacinto (Vasquez-Camacho) McAndrews, the above named patient has been under my care since July 1974. He is in good health and has been seen by me regularly for periodic checkups. His immunizations are completely up to date.

In my opinion, Mr. McAndrews has been both responsible and conscientious in caring for Jacinto's health needs.

John J. Cahill, M.D.

FAHNESTOCK & Co., Red Bank, N.J., February 26, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Michael McAndrew for some ten (10) years, and he has always displayed a high degree of intelligence, moral character and solid common sense. His reputation in the area is of the highest standard.

Michael's investment philosophy through these turbulent years has enabled him to improve his invested capital position to some fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) with a yearly income approximating twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) or five percent (5%). This is a compliment to Michael's sound day-to-day thinking.

I am pleased to know Michael and consider him a very fine person. Very truly yours,

HARVEY R. TAPPEN, Manager.

EATONTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, Eatontown, N.J., February 26, 1976.

Re: Jacinto (Vazquez Camacho) McAndrew

To Whom It May Concern:

Jacinto has been a student in this school since September. His record during this time has been outstanding as indicated by the enclosed copy of his report card. For the second marking period just completed, Jacinto earned a place on the Academic Honor Roll because of a scholastic achievement and a place on the Citizenship Honor Roll because of his work habits and deportment. In addition, Jacinto is one of the few students in the school with a record of perfect attendance.

Not only have Jacinto's work and attendance been outstanding, but he has displayed a fine character. He has never been a discipline problem, but is always courteous and respectful. He has adjusted well to the school situation.

There is ample evidence that Jacinto is well cared for by his father. He always comes to school neat and clean. Mr. McAndrew has been in to see me several times to check on Jacinto's progress. With his encouragement, Jacinto receives extra help in his native tongue after school with our Spanish teacher. The communication between home and school has been very good.

I can't say enough good things about Jacinto. For a young man who has been in this country for such a short time, he has made a miraculous adjustment. He and his father deserve a great deal of credit for his progress. It is a pleasure to know and work with them both.

I would be happy to provide any further information on request. Sincerely,

RONALD S. DANIELSON, Principal.

MONMOUTH COUNTY SPANISH AFFAIRS COUNCIL, INC., Eatontown, N.J., February 26, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Michael P. McAndrew is a very civic minded individual. He is an active member of the Board of the Monmouth County Spanish Affairs Council, Inc., and is Chairman of the Education and Welfare Committee of the Council. The purpose of this Council is to provide multiple services to the Hispanic Community. He has shown immeasurable compassion for his fellow mankind by acting as a community leader engaged in the betterment of the Hispanic Community. He also has been working very closely with the CYO of The Immaculate Conception Church.

Mr. McAndrew's honesty and integrity are above reproach.

KAY WOLCOTT, Secretary.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES, DIVISION OF YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES, March 4, 1976.

Congressman JAMES HOWARD, Washington, D.C.

(Attention David Messing)

DEAR MR. MESSING: In reference to our phone conversation of March 3, 1976, regarding the private bill H.R. 7624, I would like to clarify for you that single parent adoptions are legal in the state of New Jersey. If we can be of any further assistance to you in this matter, please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

CELIA J. RECHTMAN, Assistant Supervisor.

BUFFALO ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART, Buffalo, N.Y., February 28, 1976.

To Whom It May Concern:

It is a pleasure for me to frame a letter of recommendation for Michael P. McAndrew of Eatontown, New Jersey. Mr. McAndrew served on the staff of Mater Dei High School during the six years that I was principal there. My knowledge of him prior to, during, and following that experience is the knowledge of a person of sturdy integrity.

Mr. McAndrew, I believe, is an authentically caring person. He is sensitive to those in need, and generous with his time, talent and energies. In interaction with students as well as with adults, I found him to repeatedly demonstrate a high sense of values. He views situations from a markedly Christian perspective, believing not only in God but in human beings—in their capacity to grow and to become more than they already are. That is the kind of belief which prompts others to respond with the best that is in them.

For all of these reasons, and particularly because of his moral maturity, I believe that Michael McAndrew contributes significantly to the moral fiber of his community and country.

Sincerely,

SISTER CHRISTINA PECORARO, O.S.F.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION

This legislation does not provide new budget authority and no estimate or comparison has been received from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

OVERSIGHT STATEMENT

The Committee exercises general oversight jurisdiction with respect to all immigration and nationality matters but no specific oversight is contemplated in this instance.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon consideration of all the facts in this case, the Committee is of the opinion that H.R. 7624 should be enacted and accordingly recommends that the bill do pass.

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Rinety-fourth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the nineteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six

An Act

For the relief of Jacinto Vazquez Camacho.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in the administration of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Jacinto Vazquez Camacho may be classified as a child within the meaning of section 101 (b) (1) (F) of the Act and a petition filed in his behalf by Michael P. McAndrew, a citizen of the United States, may be approved pursuant to section 204 of the Act: *Provided*, That the natural parents or brothers or sisters of the beneficiary shall not, by virtue of such relationship, be accorded any right, privilege, or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act.-

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.