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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
December 28, 1974

ACTION  
Last Day: December 31

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: KEN COLE  
SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 2594  
Relief of Jan Sejna

Attached for your consideration is S. 2594, sponsored by Senator Eastland.

The beneficiary, Jan Sejna, is a native and citizen of Czechoslovakia who was admitted to the United States in 1968. In Czechoslovakia Sejna was a Major General and a member of the Communist Party from 1946 until he defected to the United States in 1968.

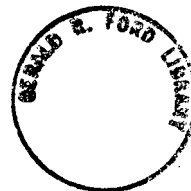
S. 2594 would waive certain provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act which prohibits the naturalization of aliens who were within subversive classes within ten years of their filing of a petition of naturalization.

OMB recommends approval and provides additional information in its enrolled bill report (Tab A).

Max Friedersdorf, Phil Areeda and the NSC recommend approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign S. 2594 (Tab B).



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 20 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 2594 - Relief of Jan Sejna  
Sponsor - Sen. Eastland (D) Mississippi

Last Day for Action

December 31, 1974 - Tuesday

Purpose

To waive certain provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act to enable beneficiary to be naturalized.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Immigration and Naturalization Service	Approval
Central Intelligence Agency	Approval
Department of State	Defer to Justice

Discussion

Beneficiary is a 46 year old native and citizen of Czechoslovakia. He was admitted to the United States on February 28, 1968, with his 23 year old son for permanent residence. He is employed by the U.S. Government.

Beneficiary was born in Czechoslovakia and enlisted in the army in Czechoslovakia in 1949. He rose to the rank of Major General and defected to the United States in 1968. From 1946 to 1968 he was a member of the Czechoslovakian Communist Party.

The Immigration Act prohibits naturalization of aliens who were within subversive classes within ten years of their filing of a petition for naturalization.



Mr. Sejna's wife and two adopted children, a father, and a married sister are still in Czechoslovakia. He has had no personal contact with them since his defection.

The report of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary states that the Committee:

"after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 2594) should be enacted."

*Welfred H. Rummel*

Assistant Director for  
Legislative Reference

Enclosures



**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

19 December 1974

Honorable Roy L. Ash, Director  
Office of Management and Budget  
Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Ash:

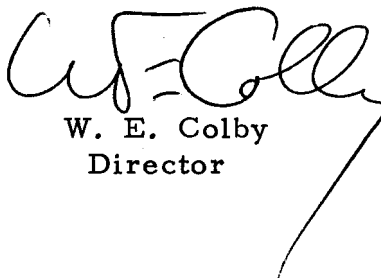
This is in response to your request for the views and recommendations of the Central Intelligence Agency on Enrolled Bill, S. 2594, "An Act for the relief of Jan Sejna."

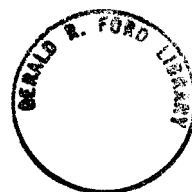
The bill would waive the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act which prohibit the naturalization of aliens who were within the subversive classes during a period of ten years immediately preceding the filing of a petition for naturalization.

The Central Intelligence Agency actively supports this bill and gave testimony in executive session before the House Judiciary Committee in support of the measure. Future activities of General Sejna in support and assistance to the United States Government and its allies will be enhanced by waiver of the limitation on his ability to gain United States citizenship.

I strongly recommend approval of S. 2594 by the President.

Sincerely,

  
W. E. Colby  
Director





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AND BUDGET

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

DEC 19 1974

Honorable Roy L. Ash  
Director, Office of Management  
and Budget  
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Ash:

Reference is made to Mr. Rommel's communication of December 18, 1974, transmitting for comment enrolled bill S.2594 "For the relief of Jan Sejna".

Since the matter included in the above-cited bill lies exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Attorney General, the Department would defer to the views expressed by the Attorney General regarding the enactment of this bill.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linwood Holton".

Linwood Holton  
Assistant Secretary for  
Congressional Relations



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Washington 25, D.C.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

DEC 20 1974

AND REFER TO THIS FILE NO.

A17 995 163

TO : OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

SUBJECT: Enrolled Private Bill No. S. 2594; Office of Management  
and Budget request dated December 18, 1974.

Beneficiary or Beneficiaries Jan Sejna

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:

Recommends approval of the bill.

Interposes no objection to approval of the bill

Sincerely,



Commissioner



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THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 815

Date: December 21, 1974

Time: 2:00 p.m.

FOR ACTION: Geoff Shepard *ok*  
Max Friedersdorf *ok*  
NSC/S *ok*  
Phil Areeda *ok*

cc (for information): Warren Hendriks  
Jerry Jones

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Monday, December 23

Time: 1:00 p.m.

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 2594 - Relief of Jan Sejna

ACTION REQUESTED:

- For Necessary Action
- For Your Recommendations
- Prepare Agenda and Brief
- Draft Reply
- For Your Comments
- Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

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K. R. COLE, JR.  
For the President

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Ok JTH in G.S.



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Warren K. Hendriks  
For the President

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: WARREN HENDRIKS  
FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *M. L. F.*  
SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No.  
Enrolled Bill S. 2594 - Relief of Jan Sejna

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs in the attached proposal and has no additional recommendations.

Attachment



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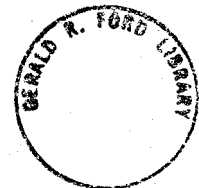
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*No objection  
P. Areeda  
12/23*



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Warren K. Hendriks  
For the President

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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December 27, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR WARREN K. HENDRIKS

FROM:

Jeanne W. Davis *JWD*

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill S. 2594 - Relief of Jan Sejna

In response to your memorandum of December 21, the NSC staff has no objection to approval of Enrolled Bill S. 2594.



# Calendar No. 776

93D CONGRESS }  
2d Session }

SENATE

{ REPORT  
No. 93-808

JAN SEJNA

MAY 2, 1974.—Ordered to be printed

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

## REPORT

[To accompany S. 2594]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (S. 2594) for the relief of Jan Sejna, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

### PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to enable Jan Sejna to file a petition for naturalization, notwithstanding the provisions of section 313 of the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to one who was formerly a member of a proscribed organization.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 46-year-old native and citizen of Czechoslovakia who was admitted to the United States, together with his 23-year-old son, for permanent residence on February 28, 1968. He is presently employed by the United States Government.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated January 14, 1974, to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization with reference to the bill reads as follows:



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
 IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,  
 OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER,  
 Washington, D.C., January 14, 1974.

HON. JAMES O. EASTLAND,  
 Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,  
 U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR: In response to your request for a report relative to the bill S. 2594 for the relief of Jan Sejna, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill would waive the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act which prohibit the naturalization of aliens who were within the subversive classes during a period of ten years immediately preceding the filing of a petition for naturalization.

Sincerely,

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 Commissioner.

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND  
 NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE S. 2594

This memorandum has been prepared from the Immigration and Naturalization Service files relative to the beneficiary.

The beneficiary, Jan Sejna, is a native and citizen of Czechoslovakia, born on May 13, 1927. He lives with his twenty-three year old son. The beneficiary enlisted in the Czechoslovakian Army in 1949; and following the attainment of officer's rank in 1951, he rose to the rank of Major General before defecting to the United States in 1968. He was a member of the Czechoslovakian Communist Party from 1946 to 1968. He is presently employed by the United States Government at an annual salary in excess of \$19,000. He values his equity in real estate holdings in this country at \$30,000.

The beneficiary is married to a native of the Ukraine, USSR, who lives in Czechoslovakia with his two adopted, adult children. His father and one married sister are still living in their native Czechoslovakia. He has had no personal contact with his wife, adopted children, father or sister since his defection to this country.

The beneficiary and his son were lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence on February 28, 1968.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 2594) should be enacted.

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JAN SEJNA

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DECEMBER 10, 1974.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

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

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# Ninety-third Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January,  
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four*

## An Act

For the relief of Jan Sejna.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Jan Sejna, who was lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence on February 28, 1968, shall be held and considered not to be within the classes of persons whose naturalization is prohibited by the provisions of section 313 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.*

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

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

December 19, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on December 19th:

✓ S.J. Res. 234	S. 2838 ✓	S. 3578 ✓
S. 184 ✓	S. 3341 ✓	S. 3615 ✓
S. 194 ✓	S. 3397 ✓	H.R. 3538 ✓
S. 1283 ✓	S. 3418 ✓	H.R. 14401 ✓
S. 1357 ✓	S. 3489 ✓	H.R. 15912 ✓
S. 2125 ✓	S. 3518 ✓	H.R. 16609 ✓
S. 2594 ✓	S. 3574 ✓	H.R. 16901 ✓

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder  
Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable Roy L. Ash  
Director  
Office of Management and Budget  
Washington, D. C.

