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THE WHITE HOUSE

Last Day - October 14

ACTION

WASHINGTON

October 10, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

FROM:

Enrolled Bill S. 2337 - For the Relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas)

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Attached for your consideration is Senate bill, S. 2337, sponsored by Senator Pastore which grants Dulce Pilar Castin immediate relative status.

Roy Ash recommends approval and provides you with additional background information in his enrolled bill report. (Tab A).

We have checked with the Counsel's office (Chapman), the NSC, and Bill Timmons who also recommend approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign Senate bill S. 2337 (Tab B).





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

OCT 8 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 2337 - For the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas) Sponsor - Sen. Pastore (D) Rhode Island

Last Day for Action

October 14, 1974 - Monday

Purpose

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Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

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Milfred H Rommel

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference PORD LIBRAR

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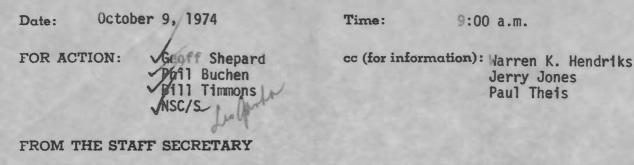
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ACTION REQUESTED:

----- For Necessary Action

XX For Your Recommendations

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Draft Remarks

Draft Reply

----- For Your Comments

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K. R. COLE, JR. For the President THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

10/8/74

TO: WARREN HENDRIKS



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE Washington 25, D.C.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

OCT 3 1974

TO : OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

SUBJECT: Enrolled Private Bill No. **8. 2337**; Office of Management and Budget request dated **October 3, 1974**

Beneficiary or Beneficiaries ______ Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas).

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:

fxx Recommends approval of the bill.

Interposes no objection to approval of the bill

Sincerely,

Commissioner



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Washington, D.C. 20520

OCT 3 - 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 October 2, 1974, transmitting for comment enrolled bills \underline{S} . 2337, "For the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin" and S. 2382, "For the relief of Caridad R. Balonan."

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

Sincerely yours,

Linwood Holton Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations



ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

Date:October 9, 1974Time:9:00 a.m.FOR ACTION:Geoff Shepard
Phil Buchen
Bill Timmons
NSC/Scc (for information): Warren K. Hendriks
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 9, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

MR. WARREN HENDRIKS WEN WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

Action Memorandum - Log No. 633 Enrolled Bill S. 2337 - For the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas)

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

Attachment



ACTION MEMORANDUM

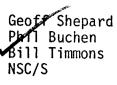
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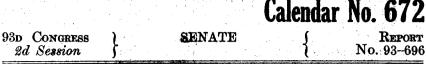
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DULCE PILAR CASTIN (CASTIN-CASAS)

FEBRUARY 27, 1974-Ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2337]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the full (S. 2337) for the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with amendments and recommends that the bill, as amended, do pass.

AMENDMENTS

1. In line 4, following the name "Dulce Pilar Castin" insert the following: "(Castin-Casas)".

2. In line 8, strike the language "of East Greenwich, Rhode Island,".

3. In line 9, strike the word "natural".

4. In line 10, following the name "Dulce Pilar Castin" insert the following: "(Castin-Casas)."

5. Amend the title of the bill so as to read: "A BILL For the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas)."

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill, as amended, is to facilitate the entry into the United States as an immediate relative of the alien child to be adopted by a citizen of the United States. The amendments are technical in nature.

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STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is an 11-month-old native and citizen of the Philippines who presently resides with her paternal grandmother in Manila. She was stop ed in the Philippines on March 17, 1973 by ner aunt, a lawful permanent resident of the U.S. Her husband, a citizati of the U.S., agreed to the adoption and will take the necessary steps to be specifically designated as the adoptive father of the beneficiary. The adoptive parents, who were married October 22, 1970, have no other children and are extremely anxious to have their child join them in the U.S.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated November 5, 1973, to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary from the Acting Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization with reference to the bill reads as follows:

> U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE, Washington, D.C., November 5, 1973.

Hon. JAMES O. EASTLAND; Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,

U.S. Sengte, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR: In response to your request for a report relative to the bill (S. 2337) for the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin, there is attached

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Absent enactment of the bill, the beneficiary, a native of the Philippines, would be chargeable to the nonpreference portion of the numerical limitation for immigrants and conditional entrants from countries in the Eastern Hemisphere.

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JAMES F. GREENE, Acting Commissioner.

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZA-TION SERVICE FILES RE S. 2337

Information concerning this case was obtained from Mrs. Margarita C. Iannarelli who is the adoptive mother of the beneficiary.

The beneficiary, Dulce Pilar Castin, whose name at birth and by a decree of adoption is Dulce Pilar Casas, was born on December 17, 1972, in the Philippines and is a citizen of that country. She is residing with her paternal grandmother in Manila. Her natural parents are citizens and residents of the Philippines as well as her two-year-old sister. On March 17, 1973, the Court of First Instance of Zamales, Third Judicial District, Olangapo City, Philippines, granted a decree of adoption to Margarita C. Iannarelli. The record of the adoption reflects that Vincent Francis Iannarelli, Junior, her husband, consented to the adoption

Margarita C. Iannazelli nee Castin-Casas, was born on September 29, 1937, in the Philippines and is a citizen of that country. Her widowed mother, three brothers, and a sister are citizens and residents of the Philippines. Her brother, Ricardo, is the natural father of the beneficiary. Mrs. Iannarelli was admitted to the United States as a lawful permanent resident on October 24, 1964, as the spouse of a citizen of the United States, Edward Wylam. She was divorced from him on May 8, 1970. No children were born of this marriage, and Mrs. Iannarelli stated she cannot bear children. She completed eight years of elementary school and is employed as a factory worker at a salary of \$80 a week.

Vincent Francis Iannarelli, Junior, is a citizen of the United States, born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, on May 19, 1948. He married his aforementioned wife on October 22, 1970, and resides with her in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. No children have been born of this marriage. He is an enlisted man in the United States Navy stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois. His only income is his salary of \$488 a month plus \$138 a month for housing. He and his wife own a house in Seattle, Washington, worth \$9,800 with a \$800 mortgage, land in the Philippines valued at \$300 and a 1972 automobile worth \$2,500. His parents and brother and sister are citizens and residents of the United States. He is a high school graduate. Since Mr. Iannarelli has not been specifically designated as an adoptive parent by the aforementioned court decree, he has stated that he will take any necessary steps to accomplish this end.

Mrs. Iannarelli is planning on joining her husband at Great Lakes, Illinois, in the near future.

Senator John O. Pastore, the author of the bill, has submitted the following information in connection with the case:

> CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, JOINT COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY, Washington, D.C., August 3, 1973.

Hon. JAMES O. EASTLAND,

Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR: I introduced today legislation for the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (S. 2337) and I wanted to contact you immediately about this bill in the hope that your Committee will look favorably upon it.

I was requested to introduce the legislation by Mr. Vincent F. Iannarelli, Jr., a constituent, who resides in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, and who is a member of the United States Navy.

Mr. Iannarelli is married to a Filipino and while they resided in Olongapo, Philippines, they cared for the infant child of Mrs. Iannarelli's sister-in-law. They came to love the child and adopted her while still residing in the Philippines.

When Mr. Iannarelli was ordered back to the United States, he attempted to bring their adopted daughter with them. However, he was advised at that time by the immigration officer in Manila that, under the law, his wife would have to remain in the Philippines for two years before they could petition for their daughters entrance into the United States.

Compassion calls out for private legislation in this case, in my view, and this is the reason why I have introduced the bill.

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For your information, I am enclosing correspondence which I received from Mr. Iannarelli which explains this case in greater detail.

I do hope that your Committee will look favorably upon it immediately after the summer recess in order that the Iannarelli family may be reunited in Rhode Island.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

JOHN O. PASTORE, U.S. Senator.

E. GREENWICH, R.I. June 3, 1973.

MR. SENATOR: I write you on a matter of grave importance. Currently I am serving with the U.S. Navy and am stationed on the USS *Nitro* in Davisville, Rhode Island.

My ship departed for the Western Pacific on the 19th of April 1972 on short notice to help out in the build up off the coast of Viet Nam. After a few months I decided to fly my wife to the Philippines to spend time with me. My wife is a Filipino citizen and I thought this would be a good occasion for her to see her parents for the first time in eight years.

Getting back to the case at point: after being childless for two years of marriage, I became concerned and had my wife placed in the care of specialists at the Cubi Point Naval Hospital, R.P. After two months of extensive tests and an exploratory operation the doctor in charge, gave my wife and I the crushing news that we would never be able to have any children of our own.

After careful thought and planning, we decided it best to adopt a child of Filipino descent and return her to the US with myself and my spouse in March 1973 when the ship began its trip back to Rhode Island.

My wife's sister-in-law expressed a plea for us to adopt her newly born daughter, Dulce Casas, due to the fact that she has one child at present and another due shortly and no conceivable way to feed or care for them, being very poor and unemployed since before their marriage took place in 1970 and cannot support their rapidly growing family. She expressed the desperate fear for the future of her children.

After my wife and I transported the mother and her child to our temporary domicile in Olongapo, R.P. we cared for the child and grew to love her as our own child and decided to go ahead with plans for her adoption.

This brings me to the point of urgency at hand. I mistakeably, did not check the United States Immigration Laws before I proceeded with the adoption. Hence, when going to Manila to the U.S. Embassy to file a petition for a visa for my daughter. I was shown the following law which states and I quote: "An adopted child, unless the child was adopted while under the age of 14 and has thereafter been the in legal custody of, and has resided with, the adopting parent or parents for at least 2 years." Enclosed you will find a copy of this clearly marked for your reference in point (Ref. A). The child (Dulce Pilar Casas) was born on December 17, 1972. I am presently back in Rhode Island with my wife, but we had to leave my daughter in the Philippines due to this technicality.

The Immigration Officer in Manila Mr. Edward Murray Jones, advised me that under the law my wife would have to remain in the Philippines for two years before I could petition for my daughter's entrance into the United States.

This is totally inconceivable because no man can be asked to forfeit his wife and daughter for a period of 2 years and not see them for this period of time.

Mr. Jones councilled me and mentioned that in cases such as mine there is a way to get my child entrance into the United States through the help of my congressman or state Senator. He said it is done quite frequently, and has been done so many times by a private bill submitted to the floor of the U.S. Senate. I was also told if my Senator was a "pusher" and a hard fighter this could be accomplished in 30 days or less. I know of your fine record in Rhode Island and I was born in Pawtucket and I saw you on TV-6 today in your gallant try to save our bases and whole heartly support your efforts.

I humble myself before you, Sir, and I beg for your help in this matter. I want my daughter home here where she belongs. (adoption was final on March 17, 1973.) I can not file my petition until I meet the time requirement or unless I receive help from you, Mr. Senator. To compound my problems even further I have received orders for transfer in late July of this year.

I wish you to present on the floor of the United States Senate a "Private Bill" which would enable the requirement mentioned in the petition to be cancelled, changed, or waived in favor of my daughter Dulce Pilar Castin to gain entrance into the United States to reside with my wife and myself, so that our family will be together and not 9,000 miles apart. We love our child very much and we so desparately Mr. Pastore.

Please help us in any way you can and let me know as soon as possible because the loneliness and anxiety builds more each day and with each letter we receive from my wife's mother who is taking care of our daughter in our absence.

Thank you for your time, Mr. Senator, and we will be anxiously be awaiting your letter of reply.

Sincerely,

VINCENT F. IANNARELLI, Jr.

EAST GREENWICH, R.I., June 12, 1973.

Senator JOHN O. PASTORE,

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Congress of the United States, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Washington, D.C.

MR. SENATOR: In your letter to me of June 11, 1973, you raised the query of the correct name of my daughter to aid the Legislative Counsel in the drafting of the bill.

I truly regret the delay caused by my oversight in not making this clear to you.

By declaration of the Court, my daughter's lawful name is Dulce Pilar Castin vice the surname of Casas which I used in my first correspondence to you. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your earnest effort in the behalf of my wife and myself and most of all of our daughter.

Please use all of your resources that you have at your disposal to gain a favorable verdict once this bill is introduced on the Senate floor.

Please inform us of any developments in this matter because I do not like to feel that I am an observor from afar.

Thank you once again for your valuable time, Mr. Senator, and we will be looking forward to hearing from your Eminence in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

VINCENT F. IANNARELLI, Jr.

EAST GREENWICH, R.I., September 17, 1973.

Senator JOHN O. PASTORE, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Washington, D.C.

MR. SENATOR: This letter, sir, is to inquire about the progress being made on the private bill you are submitting on the behalf of Dulce Pilar Castin.

I have been watching the news and I have noticed quite a few pieces of legislation that have passed the Senate and House and have been signed into law by President Nixon. One bill in particular that much importance was given was the bill for the abolishment of "Black-outs" for sporting events. When I see bills like that passed and made laws I become just a little apprehensive about my private bill.

I know that you are doing everything possible for us, Mr. Senator, but you can understand my position and feelings in this matter. I feel like an outsider viewing everything from a distance and not being able to have anything to do in the course of events.

Please update me on the progress of the bill at your earliest convience so that I will have something to tell my wife who is always querying me and the only answer I can give her is "I don't know."

May I ask you a hypothetical question? Based on the assumption that the bill is passed before I am transferred on Oct. 5th. How soon after the bill is passed will my daughter be allowed to enter the United States?

I have taken enough of your valuable time sir. Thank you for your time and I am eager to know of the progress of the bill.

Thank you once again, Mr. Senator, for your time and patience in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

VINCENT F. IANNARELLI, Jr.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 2337), as amended, should be enacted.

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REPORT) No. 93–1333

DULCE PILAR CASTIN (CASTIN-CASAS)

AUGUST 22, 1974.-Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2337]

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the bill (S. 2337) for the relief of Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas), 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 entry into the United States as an immediate relative of the alien child to be adopted by a citizen of the United States.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The beneficiary of the bill is an 11-month-old native and citizen of the Philippines who presently resides with her paternal grandmother in Manila. She was adopted in the Philippines on March 17, 1973 by her aunt, a lawful permanent resident of the U.S. Her husband, a citizen of the U.S., agreed to the adoption and will take the necessary steps to be specifically designated as the adoptive father of the beneficiary. The adoptive parents, who were married October 22, 1970, have no other children and are extremely anxious to have their child join them in the U.S.

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Compassion calls out for private legislation in this case, in my view, and this is the reason why I have introduced the bill.

For your information, I am enclosing correspondence which I received from Mr. Iannarelli which explains this case in greater detail.

I do hope that your Committee will look favorably upon it immediately after the summer recess in order that the Iannarelli family may be reunited in Rhode Island.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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JOHN O. PASTORE, U.S. Senator. H.R. 1333

EAST GREENWICH, R.I., June 3, 1973.

MR. SENATOR: I write you on a matter of grave importance. Currently I am serving with the U.S. Navy and am stationed on the USS *Nitro* in Davisville, Rhode Island.

My ship departed for the Western Pacific on the 19th of April 1972 on short notice to help out in the build up off the coast of Viet Nam. After a few months I decided to fly my wife to the Philippines to spend time with me. My wife is a Filipino citizen and I thought this would be a good occasion for her to see her parents for the first time in eight years.

Getting back to the case at point: after being childless for two years of marriage, I became concerned and had my wife placed in the care of specialists at the Cubi Point Naval Hospital, R.P. After two months of extensive tests and an exploratory operation the doctor in charge, gave my wife and I the crushing news that we would never be able to have any children of our own.

After careful thought and planning, we decided it best to adopt a child of Filipino descent and return her to the US with myself and my spouse in March 1973 when the ship began its trip back to Rhode Island.

My wife's sister-in-law expressed a plea for us to adopt her newly born daughter, Dulce Casas, due to the fact that she has one child at present and another due shortly and no conceivable way to feed or care for them, being very poor and unemployed since before their marriage took place in 1970 and cannot support their rapidly growing family. She expressed the desperate fear for the future of her children.

After my wife and I transported the mother and her child to our temporary domicile in Olongapo, R.P. we cared for the child and grew to love her as our own child and decided to go ahead with plans for her adoption.

This brings me to the point of urgency at hand. I mistakeably, did not check the United States Immigration Laws before I proceeded with the adoption. Hence, when going to Manila to the U.S. Embassy to file a petition for a visa for my daughter, I was shown the following law which states and I quote: "An adopted child, unless the child was adopted while under the age of 14 and has thereafter been in the legal custody of, and has resided with, the adopting parent or parents for at least 2 years." Enclosed you will find a copy of this clearly marked for your reference in point (Ref. A). The child (Dulce Pilar Casas) was born on December 17, 1972.

I am presently back in Rhode Island with my wife, but we had to leave my daughter in the Philippines due to this technicality.

The Immigration Officer in Manila Mr. Edward Murray Jones, advised me that under the law my wife would have to remain in the Philippines for two years before I could petition for my daughter's entrance into the United States.

This is totally inconceivable because no man can be asked to forfeit his wife and daughter for a period of 2 years and not see them for this period of time.

Mr. Jones councilled me and mentioned that in cases such as mine there is a way to get my child entrance into the United States through the help of my congressman or state Senator. He said it is done quite

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frequently, and has been done so many times by a private bill submitted to the floor of the U.S. Senate. I was also told if my Senator was a "pusher" and a hard fighter this could be accomplished in 30 days or less. I know of your fine record in Rhode Island and I was born in Pawtucket and I saw you on TV-6 today in your gallant try to save our bases and whole heartly support your efforts.

I humble myself before you, Sir, and I beg for your help in this matter. I want my daughter home here where she belongs. (adoption was final on March 17, 1973.) I can not file my petition until I meet the time requirement or unless I receive help from you, Mr. Senator. To compound my problems even further I have received orders for transfer in late July of this year.

I wish you to present on the floor of the United States Senate a "Private Bill" which would enable the requirement mentioned in the petition to be cancelled, changed, or waived in favor of my daughter Dulce Pilar Castin to gain entrance into the United States to reside with my wife and myself, so that our family will be together and not 9,000 miles apart. We love our child very much and we so desperately Mr. Pastore.

Please help us in any way you can and let me know as soon as possible because the loneliness and anxiety builds more each day and with each letter we receive from my wife's mother who is taking care of our daughter in our absence.

Thank you for your time, Mr. Senator, and we will be anxiously be awaiting your letter of reply.

Sincerely,

VINCENT F. IANNARELLI, Jr.

EAST GREENWICH, R.I., June 12, 1973.

Senator JOHN O. PASTORE, Congress of the United States, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy,

Washington, D.C.

MR. SENATOR: In your letter to me of June 11, 1973, you raised the query of the correct name of my daughter to aid the Legislative Counsel in the drafting of the bill.

I truly regret the delay caused by my oversight in not making this clear to you.

By declaration of the Court, my daughter's lawful name is Dulce Pilar Castin vice the surname of Casas which I used in my first correspondence to you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your earnest effort in the behalf of my wife and myself and most of all of our daughter.

Please use all of your resources that you have at your disposal to gain a favorable verdict once this bill is introduced on the Senate floor.

Please inform us of any developments in this matter because I do not like to feel that I am an observor from afar.

Thank you once again for your valuable time, Mr. Senator, and we will be looking forward to hearing from your Eminence in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

VINCENT F. IANNARELLI, Jr. H.R. 1333 EAST GREENWICH, R.I., September 17, 1973.

Senator JOHN O. PASTORE,

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Washington, D.C.

Mr. SENATOR: This letter, sir, is to inquire about the progress being made on the private bill you are submitting on the behalf of Dulce Pilar Castin.

I have been watching the news and I have noticed quite a few pieces of legislation that have passed the Senate and House and have been signed into law by President Nixon. One bill in particular that much importance was given was the bill for the abolishment of "Black-outs" for sporting events. When I see bills like that passed and made laws I become just a little apprehensive about by private bill.

I know that you are doing everything possible for us, Mr. Senator, but you can understand my position and feelings in this matter. I feel like an outsider viewing everything from a distance and not being able to have anything to do in the course of events.

Please update me on the progress of the bill at your earliest convience so that I will have something to tell my wife who is always querying me and the only answer I can give her is "I don't know."

May I ask you a hypothetical question? Based on the assumption that the bill is passed before I am transferred on Oct. 5th. How soon after the bill is passed will my daughter be allowed to enter the United States?

I have taken enough of your valuable time sir. Thank you for your time and I am eager to know of the progress of the bill.

Thank you once again, Mr. Senator, for your time and patientce in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

VINCENT F. JANNARELLI, Jr.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 2337) should be enacted.

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Rinety-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 Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas).

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, Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas) shall be classified as a child within the meaning of section 101(b)(1)(F) of such Act upon approval of a petition filed in her behalf pursuant to section 204 of such Act, by Vincent F. Iannarelli, Junior, a citizen of the United States. The brothers and sisters of the said Dulce Pilar Castin (Castin-Casas) 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.



Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on October 2nd:

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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.