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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
August 13, 1976

ACTION
Last Day: August 21

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JIM CANNON *JC*

SUBJECT: H.R. 1507 - Relief of Marisa Marzano
H.R. 2411 - Relief of Alinor Anvari Adams
H.R. 2502 - Relief of Peter Olav Mesikepp
H.R. 6392 - Relief of Koviljka C. Clendenen
H.R. 7908 - Relief of Edward Drag
H.R. 5500 - Relief of Rafael Strochlitz Wurzel
H.R. 5648 - Relief of Violetta Cebreros
H.R. 3372 - Relief of Tze Tsun Li
H.R. 2940 - Relief of Maria Sylvia Macias Elliott
H.R. 2495 - Relief of Malgorzata Kuzniarek Czapowski
H.R. 2118 - Relief of Cheryl V. Camacho
→ H.R. 7882 - Relief of Miss Leonor Young

Attached for your consideration are twelve enrolled bills all with the common purpose of granting immediate relative status to aliens who have been or are in the process of being adopted by United States citizens. All of the beneficiaries are over the age of 14, and do not qualify for exception to the immigration waiting list.

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

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

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the enrolled bills at Tabs B through M.



AUG 12 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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Sponsor - Rep. Danielson (D) California
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- (12) H.R. 7882 - Relief of Miss Leonor Young
Sponsor - Rep. Meyner (D) New Jersey

Last Day for Action

August 21, 1976 - Saturday

Purpose

To grant immediate relative status to aliens who have been or are in the process of being adopted by United States citizens.

Agency Recommendations

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

Discussion

These 12 enrolled bills would define their beneficiaries as "children" under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) and grant them immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed by their adopted or prospective adopting parents, all of whom are U.S. citizens. The bills also provide that the natural parents or siblings shall not be accorded any right, privilege or status under the INA by virtue of their relationship to the beneficiaries.

The INA provides an exception to the immigration waiting list for children adopted by U.S. citizens who are 14 years of age or younger. Because the beneficiaries of these bills are over 14, they do not qualify for this exemption. Accordingly, absent enactment of these bills, those beneficiaries now living outside the U.S. would have to remain on the regular immigration waiting list (with consequent uncertainty as to when they would be admitted); those beneficiaries now in the U.S. would have to leave and begin the process of returning to the U.S. under the regular immigration procedures.

James M. Frey
 Assistant Director for
 Legislative Reference

Enclosures

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Washington 25, D.C.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

11 AUG 1976

AND REFER TO THIS FILE NO.

A19 387 286

TO : OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

SUBJECT: Enrolled Private Bill No. H.R. 7882; Office of Management
and Budget request dated August 9, 1976.

Beneficiary or Beneficiaries Miss Leonor Young.

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



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

AUG 11 1976

Dear Mr. Lynn:

Reference is made to Mr. Frey's communication of August 9, 1976, transmitting for comment enrolled bills, H.R. 6392, "For the relief of Kovicljka C. Clendenen", H.R. 7882, "For the relief of Leonor Young", and H.R. 7908, "For the relief of Edward Drag".

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

Sincerely yours,

Kempton B. Jenkins
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

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

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

AUG 12 1976

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(Signed) James M. Frey

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

MISS LEONOR YOUNG

OCTOBER 28, 1975.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 7882]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 7882), for the relief of Miss Leonor Young, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

The amendment is as follows:

On page 1, line 7, before the word "citizen" insert the word "a".

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill, as amended, is to facilitate the adjustment of status to permanent residence of the adopted daughter of a citizen of the United States. The amendment is technical in nature.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The beneficiary is a 22-year-old native and citizen of Colombia who was admitted to the United States in 1970 as a visitor and changed her status to student. She was adopted by a citizen of the United States in New Jersey on March 6, 1972. Adoptive mother was single at the time the beneficiary was adopted but is now married to a citizen of the United States. She also has custody of three children who were adopted in Colombia when she was married to another person. Those children, ages 20, 16 and 14, have all been naturalized as citizens of the United States.

The pertinent facts in this case are contained in a letter from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization to the Chairman of



the Committee on the Judiciary regarding a bill pending during the Ninety-third Congress for the relief of the same person. That letter, with enclosures, reads as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Washington, D.C.

A 19 387 286.

HON. PETER W. RODINO, Jr.,
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. 14708) for the relief of Leonor Young, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill provides that the twenty-one year old adopted daughter of a native born United States citizen may be classified as a child and granted immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed in her behalf by Mr. Barbara Jennings Dudrow and that the natural parents or brothers or sisters shall not be accorded any benefits or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act by virtue of such relationship. This provision does not preclude the beneficiary's stepmother from derivative benefits under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Absent enactment of the bill, the beneficiary, a native of Colombia is chargeable to the numerical limitations for immigrants from the Western Hemisphere. However, she is statutorily ineligible to adjust her status while in the United States and will be required to apply for a visa outside of this country.

Sincerely,

L. F. CHAPMAN, Jr.,
Commissioner.

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
SERVICE FILE RE H.R. 14708

The beneficiary, Leonor Young, a native and citizen of Colombia was born Leonor Young Preciado on August 15, 1953.

She resides in Budd Lake, New Jersey with her adoptive mother and attends Morris County College and is in her sophomore year. The beneficiary resided with her natural parents until the death of her mother in 1963 and her father remarried a native and citizen of Colombia. Her father relinquished custody to her adoptive mother for the purpose of adoption. The beneficiary had been a pupil of her adoptive mother who taught school in Colombia. Following her entry

into the United States she completed her high school education and was adopted at Morristown, New Jersey on March 6, 1972. A certified copy of the decree is attached hereto.

The interested party and adoptive mother of the beneficiary is Mrs. Barbara Dudrow formerly Jennings nee Boden a native and citizen of the United States born August 16, 1932 at Rahway, New Jersey. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at Drew University and a Master of Arts in counseling and guidance at Kean College. She taught art and was director of the Jefferson School in Cali, Colombia from 1968 to 1970 and is employed as a Spanish instructor by the Mount Olive Board of Education in Budd Lake, New Jersey from 1970 to the present time. Mrs. Dudrow resided in Colombia from 1958 to 1961 and in the Philippines from 1961 to 1967. She then resided in Colombia from 1967 to 1970 at which time she returned to the United States. She married Peter Jennings a native and citizen of the United States on June 5, 1954. They were divorced by mutual consent at Tlaxcala, Mexico, June 11, 1970. While married to Mr. Jennings she adopted three native Colombian children on her own petition in Bogota. They were subsequently admitted to the United States and were all naturalized citizens of the United States. Mrs. Dudrow married her current spouse, a native and citizen of the United States on August 4, 1973. Mrs. Dudrow has her own assets of \$4,000 in savings; owns a \$20,000 property mortgage on Florida real estate. She has \$24,000 equity in her home valued at \$40,000. Her annual earnings from employment are \$13,500.

The beneficiary was admitted to the United States as a visitor for pleasure on August 30, 1970. Her nonimmigrant status was adjusted to that of a student on August 8, 1973 and she was granted extensions of stay until June 30, 1975.

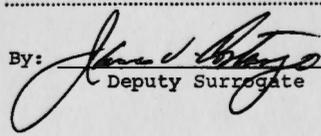
State of New Jersey
Morris County Surrogate's Court
Morristown, New Jersey

Morris County, ss. } 1, R. SAR MISCHIARA, Surrogate
of the said County and Clerk of the Morris County Court, Probate Division, the same
being a Court of Record, do hereby certify, that I have compared the foregoing copy
of Judgment of Adoption of a Child by BARBARA JOYCE JENNINGS
with the original record thereof now on file in this office and
have found the same to be a true copy therefrom.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
hand and seal of office this Twenty-ninth
day of June A. D. Nineteen hundred and
Seventy-three.

R. SAR MISCHIARA

Surrogate, Etc.

By: 

Deputy Surrogate

OSCAR MEYERSON, Esquire,
One Maple Avenue,
Netcong, N.J. 07857
(201) 347-0014
By: Larry I. Kron, Esquire.

MORRIS COUNTY COURT—PROBATE DIVISION

[Docket No. ———]

IN THE MATTER OF THE ACTION OF BARBARA JOYCE JENNINGS,
FOR THE ADOPTION OF LEONOR YOUNG, A MINOR

JUDGMENT OF ADOPTION

The Court having considered the complaint, the written report filed
by The Bureau of Children's Services and the evidence presented and
being satisfied that the best interests of LEONOR YOUNG, the child
sought to be adopted, who was born August 15, 1953, in Bogota, South
America, would be promoted by the adoption,

It is on this 21st day of June, 1973, on motion of Larry I. Kron,
attorney for the plaintiff, adjudged:

1. The said LEONOR YOUNG be adopted by the plaintiff.
2. Upon the entry of this judgment all relationships heretofore existing between the said LEONOR YOUNG and ALEXANDER YOUNG, the natural father, be in all respects at an end.
3. Upon the entry of this judgment all rights, duties and obligations of any person which are founded upon the relationships heretofore existing between the said LEONOR YOUNG and ALEXANDER YOUNG, the natural father, be in all respects at an end.
4. Upon the entry of this judgment, the relationships, rights, duties and obligations between the said LEONOR YOUNG and BARBARA JOYCE JENNINGS, her parent by adoption, be thenceforth in all respects the same as if the said LEONOR YOUNG had been born to her in lawful wedlock.

Signed: JACQUES H. GASCOYNE
JACQUES H. GASCOYNE, J.C.C.

The Department of State submitted the following report on this
legislation:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D.C., November 25, 1974.

HON. PETER W. RODINO, JR.,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Reference is made to your request for a report
concerning the case of Miss Leonor Young, beneficiary of H.R. 14708,
93rd Congress.

The bill would provide for the beneficiary's classification as a child
and for granting of immediate relative status upon approval of a peti-

tion filed by Mrs. Barbara Jennings Dudrow, an American citizen. It also provides that the natural parents, brothers or sisters of the beneficiary shall not be accorded any right privilege or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act by virtue of such relationship.

The American Consulate General at Cali, Colombia has reported that the beneficiary was born on August 15, 1953, at Bogota. She is the daughter of a well-known Cali business executive who now resides in Bogota. The beneficiary indicated on her visa application that she planned to study in the United States. Since she apparently had not yet selected the school she would attend, she was issued a visitor visa on August 4, 1970.

The Consulate's investigation revealed no information which would render the beneficiary ineligible to receive a visa.

Cordially,

LINWOOD HOLTON,
*Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations.*

Mrs. Meyner submitted the following letter in support of her bill:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C., September 26, 1975.

HON. JOSHUA EILBERG,
Chairman, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and International Law, Committee on the Judiciary, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I am pleased to write this letter in support of the bill, H.R. 7882, for the relief of Miss Leonor Young.

Miss Young is the adopted daughter of Mrs. Barbara Dudrow of Wharton, New Jersey. Mrs. Dudrow became acquainted with Leonor Young while teaching in Cali, Colombia.

Leonor Young was a child born out of wedlock and although her father had raised her and taken full responsibility for her since her mother's death, she was denied any social rights as a result of the stigma of her birth in the Colombian culture. Because Leonor would have had no opportunity to grow and be a fruitful citizen in the Colombian society and because Leonor was intelligent and conscientious, Mrs. Dudrow obtained a visa for her to come to the United States in 1970. Since that time, Miss Young has successfully completed High School, having had the diligence and perseverance to do so as she knew no English, and she is presently attending College in New Mexico.

In March 1972 Leonor's father came to the United States for a visit and while here agreed before a Judge to Mrs. Dudrow's adopted of Leonor. The proceedings were started and Leonor was adopted in June 1973. The Immigration and Nationality Act, Section 101(b)(1)(E), provides that a child adopted while under the age of fourteen years who has thereafter been in the legal custody of, and has resided with the adoptive parent or parents for at least two years, may be accorded immediate relative status upon approval of a visa petition by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Since Leonor was over fourteen when she was adopted she does not meet the term "child" for "special immigrant" status.

Therefore, when Leonor's student visa is terminated she will be required to return to Colombia. Mrs. Dudrow feels that it would be totally disastrous for her daughter to return. Both socially and economically it would be hard for Leonor to sustain herself in Colombia because of her illegitimacy. If she is permitted to remain in this country as a citizen it seems evident that she will make an excellent citizen of the United States.

On May 8, 1974 my predecessor, Joseph J. Maraziti, introduced the bill, H.R. 14708, for the relief of Leonor Young. This bill is identical to my bill, H.R. 7882, which I introduced on June 12, 1975. I believe that this is a matter of longstanding urgency and deserves the full attention of the Committee on the Judiciary.

Warmest and best wishes.

Sincerely,

HELEN MEYNER.

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 RECOMMENDATION

Upon consideration of all the facts in this case, the Committee is of the opinion that H.R. 7882, amended, should be enacted and accordingly recommend that the bill do pass.

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Calendar No. 1043

94TH CONGRESS }
2d Session }

SENATE

REPORT
No. 99-1109

MISS LEONOR YOUNG

August 4, 1976.—Ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 7882]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 7882) for the relief of Miss Leonor Young, 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 facilitate the adjustment of status to permanent residence of the adopted daughter of a citizen of the United States.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary is a 22-year-old native and citizen of Colombia who was admitted to the United States in 1970 as a visitor and changed her status to student. She was adopted by a citizen of the United States in New Jersey on March 6, 1972. Adoptive mother was single at the time the beneficiary was adopted but is now married to a citizen of the United States. She also has custody of three children who were adopted in Colombia when she was married to another person. Those children, ages 20, 16 and 14, have all been naturalized as citizens of the United States.

A letter, with attached memorandum, date unknown, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, House of Representatives, from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization with ref-

erence to H.R. 14708, a similar bill for the relief of the same alien introduced in the 93d Congress, reads as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Washington, D.C.

A 19 887 286.

Hon. PETER W. RODINO, Jr.,
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. 14708) for the relief of Leonor Young, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill provides that the twenty-one year old adopted daughter of a native born United States citizen may be classified as a child and granted immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed in her behalf by Mr. Barbara Jennings Dudrow and that the natural parents or brothers or sisters shall not be accorded any benefits or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act by virtue of such relationship. This provision does not preclude the beneficiary's stepmother from derivative benefits under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Absent enactment of the bill, the beneficiary, a native of Colombia is chargeable to the numerical limitations for immigrants from the Western Hemisphere. However, she is statutorily ineligible to adjust her status while in the United States and will be required to apply for a visa outside of this country.

Sincerely,

Enclosure.

L. F. CHARMAN, Jr., *Commissioner.*

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILE RE H.R. 14708

The beneficiary, Leonor Young, a native and citizen of Colombia was born Leonor Young Preciado on August 15, 1953.

She resides in Budd Lake, New Jersey with her adoptive mother and attends Morris County College and is in her sophomore year. The beneficiary resided with her natural parents until the death of her mother in 1963 and her father remarried a native and citizen of Colombia. Her father relinquished custody to her adoptive mother for the purpose of adoption. The beneficiary had been a pupil of her adoptive mother who taught school in Colombia. Following her entry into the United States she completed her high school education and was adopted at Morristown, New Jersey on March 6, 1972. A certified copy of the decree is attached hereto.

The interested party and adoptive mother of the beneficiary is Mrs. Barbara Dudrow formerly Jennings nee Boden a native and citizen of the United States born August 16, 1932 at Rahway, New Jersey. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at Drew University and a Master of Arts in counseling and guidance at Kean College. She taught art and was director of the Jefferson School in Cali, Colombia from 1968 to

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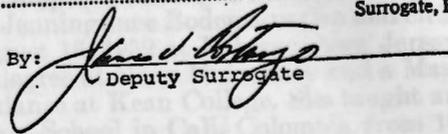
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State of New Jersey
Morris County Surrogate's Court
Morristown, New Jersey

Morris County, ss. } I, R. SAR MISCHIARA, Surrogate
of the said County and Clerk of the Morris County Court, Probate Division, the same
being a Court of Record, do hereby certify, that I have compared the foregoing copy
of Judgment of Adoption of a Child by BARBARA JOYCE JENNINGS
with the original record thereof now on file in this office and
have found the same to be a true copy therefrom.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
hand and seal of office this twenty-ninth
day of June A. D. Nineteen hundred and
Seventy-three.

R. SAR MISCHIARA
Surrogate, Etc.

By: 
Deputy Surrogate

OSCAR MEYERSON, Esquire,
One Maple Avenue,
Netcong, N.J. 07857
(201) 347-0014,
By: Larry I. Kron, Esquire.

MORRIS COUNTY COURT—PROBATE DIVISION

[Docket No. ———]

IN THE MATTER OF THE ACTION OF BARBARA JOYCE JENNINGS,
FOR THE ADOPTION OF LEONOR YOUNG, A MINOR

JUDGMENT OF ADOPTION

The Court having considered the complaint, the written report filed by The Bureau of Children's Services and the evidence presented and being satisfied that the best interests of LEONOR YOUNG, the child sought to be adopted, who was born August 15, 1953, in Bogota, South America, would be promoted by the adoption.

It is on this 21st day of June, 1973, on motion of Larry I. Kron, attorney for the plaintiff, adjudged:

1. The said LEONOR YOUNG be adopted by the plaintiff.
2. Upon the entry of this judgment all relationships heretofore existing between the said LEONOR YOUNG and ALEXANDER YOUNG, the natural father, be in all respects at an end.
3. Upon the entry of this judgment all rights, duties and obligations of any person which are founded upon the relationships heretofore existing between the said LEONOR YOUNG and ALEXANDER YOUNG, the natural father, be in all respects at an end.
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Signed: JACQUES H. GASCOYNE
JACQUES H. GASCOYNE, J.C.C.

The Department of State submitted the following report on this legislation:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D.C., November 25, 1974.

Hon. PETER W. RODINO, Jr.,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Reference is made to your request for a report concerning the case of Miss Leonor Young, beneficiary of H.R. 14708, 93rd Congress.

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 Mrs. Barbara Jennings Dudrow, an American citizen. It also provides that the natural parents, brothers or sisters of the bene-

ficiary shall not be accorded any right privilege or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act by virtue of such relationship.

The American Consulate General at Cali, Colombia has reported that the beneficiary was born on August 15, 1953, at Bogota. She is the daughter of a well-known Cali business executive who now resides in Bogota. The beneficiary indicated on her visa application that she planned to study in the United States. Since she apparently had not yet selected the school she would attend, she was issued a visitor visa on August 4, 1970.

The Consulate's investigation revealed no information which would render the beneficiary ineligible to receive a visa.

Cordially,

LINWOOD HOLTON,
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations.

Congresswoman Helen S. Meyner, the author of the bill, submitted the following letter in support of the legislation:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C., September 26, 1975.

HON. JOSUHA EILBERG,
Chairman, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and International Law, Committee on the Judiciary, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I am pleased to write this letter in support of the bill, H.R. 7882, for the relief of Miss Leonor Young.

Miss Young is the adopted daughter of Mrs. Barbara Dudrow of Wharton, New Jersey. Mrs. Dudrow became acquainted with Leonor Young while teaching in Cali, Colombia.

Leonor Young was a child born out of wedlock and although her father had raised her and taken full responsibility for her since her mother's death, she was denied any social rights as a result of the stigma of her birth in the Colombian culture. Because Leonor would have had no opportunity to grow and be a fruitful citizen in the Colombian society and because Leonor was intelligent and conscientious, Mrs. Dudrow obtained a visa for her to come to the United States in 1970. Since that time, Miss Young has successfully completed High School, having had the diligence and perseverance to do so as she knew no English, and she is presently attending college in New Mexico.

In March 1972 Leonor's father came to the United States for a visit and while here agreed before a Judge to Mrs. Dudrow's adoption of Leonor. The proceedings were started and Leonor was adopted in June 1973. The Immigration and Nationality Act, Section 101(b)(1)(E), provides that a child adopted while under the age of fourteen years who has thereafter been in the legal custody of, and has resided with the adoptive parent or parents for at least two years, may be accorded immediate relative status upon approval of a visa petition by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Since Leonor was over fourteen when she was adopted she does not meet the term "child" for "special immigrant" status.

Therefore, when Leonor's student visa is terminated she will be required to return to Colombia. Mrs. Dudrow feels that it would be

totally disastrous for her daughter to return. Both socially and economically it would be hard for Leonor to sustain herself in Colombia because of her illegitimacy. If she is permitted to remain in this country as a citizen it seems evident that she will make an excellent citizen of the United States.

On May 8, 1974 my predecessor, Joseph J. Maraziti, introduced the bill, H.R. 14708, for the relief of Leonor Young. This bill is identical to my bill, H.R. 7882, which I introduced on June 12, 1975. I believe that this is a matter of longstanding urgency and deserves the full attention of the Committee on the Judiciary.

Warmest and best wishes.

Sincerely,

HELEN MEYNER.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H.R. 7882) should be enacted.

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one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six*

An Act

For the relief of Miss Leonor Young.

*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, Miss Leonor Young may be classified as a child within the meaning of section 101(b)(1)(F) of the Act, upon approval of a petition filed in her behalf by Mrs. Barbara Jennings Dudrow, a citizen of the United States, 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. The provision of section 245(c) of the Act shall be inapplicable in this case.*

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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