

Walter Meyerhof

December 17, 1940

Mr. H. Freeman Matthews,  
American Embassy,  
Vichy, Allier.

Dear Mr. Matthews,

I wonder if you will be good enough to lend your special support to Mr. Walter Meyerhof's demand for a "sortie" visa.

Walter is the son of Professor Otto Meyerhof, biologist, who is now on the Faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. Professor and Mrs. Meyerhof left France some months ago, but Walter was not able to accompany them as at the time he did not have his American visa. He made his demand for a "sortie" visa and "titre de voyage" at the Préfecture of Perpignan on December 5th. At the Préfecture they told him that his demand had been accepted with an "avis favorable" and that his dossier would be at Vichy by December 10th.

Walter passed the Kundt commission at Le Cheylard and he is eager to leave France as soon as possible to join his parents.

I should be very grateful indeed to do whatever you can to help him obtain his "sortie" visa without a long delay.

Yours very truly,

Varian M. Fry  
Director.

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