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HENRI TYMIANKA,
34 Edwards Avenue,
Sausalito, California

June 17, 1941

Mr. Evaristo de Arbaiza,
Beraştegui, 4,3.

Dear Sir,

About five years ago I had the honor to appear as violin soloist with the Sociedad Filarmonica de Bilbao and I had the pleasure of meeting you on that occasion. I trust you still remember my concerts.

Today I am taking the very great liberty of approaching you in the hope that you will be so very kind as to help me in a matter of the deepest concern to me. My parents are in Belgium and I am trying to bring them to the United States. They have their visa for the U.S. and I must now obtain a boat reservation for them. I am informed that there are sailings from Bilbao to Cuba and New York, but it is impossible to book passage on these boats in America. The name of the Steamship Company, I am told, is Compagnie Transatlantica, its headquarters are, I believe, in Madrid. I should be most deeply grateful to you if it were possible for you to make the necessary inquiries and obtain the earliest possible sailing reservations on one of these boats. I shall be glad to cable the passage money from here. My parents are at 102 Pelikaanstraat, ANTWERP, BELGIUM. Their names are IZRAEL TYMIANKA and FAJGA RAJZLA TYMIANKA. If anything can be accomplished, the Steamship Company should communicate with them. I shall gladly bear any expense.

I trust you will realize that I ^{am} not writing you this letter lightly. It is only my deep anxiety for my mother and father, whom I want to have with me, that has made me overcome my hesitation to make this appeal to you. I am hoping that you will be able to help me, either directly, or by discussing this matter with the kind gentlemen of the Filarmonica, who will still remember me, I hope.

Trusting that I may hear from you soon, either by airmail or by cable at my expense,

With my most grateful thanks for any kindness,

Yours very sincerely,