

March 25-26, 1957

Interviewer:  
M. Podhorszky

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I. PERSONAL INVENTORY

Name: 22-F

Age: 21

Sex: Female

Marital status: Married

Religion: Roman Catholic

Born: Budapest, Hungary. Spent most of her life in Budapest. Lived in Budapest just before the revolution in Obuda.

Respondent had never been abroad.

Education: High school graduate.

After graduation she worked in the office of a dry cleaning cooperative. Her father was also a member there.

Husband: 24 years old; Roman Catholic; born in Tatabanya. Spent most of his life in Tatabanya. Lived in Budapest before the revolution with his wife at the same address.

Husband was abroad for a short vacation (Czechoslovakia) as a student of the University of Technical Sciences. While attending the university he served his compulsory military services during summer vacation for five months. He held the rank of corporal upon being discharged. During the revolution he joined the volunteers of the University of Technical Sciences who were under the command of General Kiraly. He, too, is a high school graduate and had spent four-and-a-half years at the University of Technical Sciences in the mechanical engineering section. He was about to receive his degree when the revolution broke out.

Respondent's parents are living. Her father is 50, her mother 45. They live in Budapest.

Respondent has one sister who is 12 years old and lives with the parents.

Respondent left Budapest on November 23, 1956 and arrived in the US on December 26, 1956.

Upon arrival in the US respondent was at Camp Kilmer, then in Bard College, and now in New York city. At present she is working at Stoffer's Restaurant as a member of the kitchen staff (on 57th St.). Her husband found a position as an engineer at the Huck Corp., 37 Wall St. Both want to master English and then the husband plans to attend night school in order to qualify for his state board examinations in engineering.

Since leaving Hungary, respondent has only been interviewed by the NCWC in Salzburg, Austria. This was a short interview connected with immigration. On January 17, while being taken on a short visit through the UN, the respondent and her husband were interviewed by a Mr. Hamoxy. This was a short interview referring to their escape from Hungary.

Respondent does not speak any foreign language other than Hungarian. At present she is learning English.