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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

Last Day: May 24

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JIM CANNON

SUBJECT:

H.R. 4038 - For the relief of
Jennifer Ann Blum
H.R. 8863 - For the relief of
Randy E. Crismundo

Attached for your consideration are H.R. 4038, sponsored by Representatives Burton and Lloyd. The enrolled bills would permit the immediate admission of the beneficiaries, two alien children, into the United States.

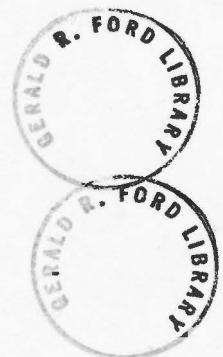
Details of each of the enrolled bills is provided in OMB's bill report at Tab A.

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

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 4038 at Tab B.

That you sign H.R. 8863 at Tab C.



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MAY 31 1976

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

MAY 18 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bills

- (1) H.R. 4038 - For the relief of Jennifer Ann Blum
Sponsor - Rep. John L. Burton (D) California
- (2) H.R. 8863 - For the relief of Randy E. Crismundo
Sponsor - Rep. Lloyd (D) California

Last Day for Action

May 24, 1976 - Monday

Purpose

To facilitate the entry of minor alien children into the United States for adoption purposes.

Agency Recommendations

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

Discussion

The two enrolled bills would permit certain U.S. citizens to petition for the immediate admission of the beneficiaries, who are alien children, into the United States. Upon granting of the respective petitions, each child would be issued an immigrant visa and be eligible for immediate entry into the United States. The natural parents and siblings of the children are not accorded any benefits under the Immigration and Nationality Act because of their relationship to the beneficiaries.



H.R. 4038 - Jennifer Ann Blum

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H.R. 8863 - Randy E. Crismundo

The beneficiary is a four-year-old Filipino boy who lives with his paternal grandparents in the Philippines. Randy's natural parents, who are both living and poor and who have six other children, have filed an affidavit consenting to his adoption by Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burroughs of Long Beach, California, who are childless. Mrs. Burroughs, a native of the Philippines and a naturalized U.S. citizen, is Randy's paternal aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs are employed by the Veterans Administration and the Los Angeles public schools, respectively. They have complied with California's pre-adoption requirements.

Randy is ineligible for an alien orphan immigrant visa under the Immigration and Nationality Act, because his natural parents are living. The enrolled bill would waive this condition and permit Randy's immediate admission to the United States upon INS approval of a petition filed in his behalf by his prospective adopting parents.

(Signed) James M. Frey

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference



Enclosures



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ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.:

Date: May 19

Time: 845am

FOR ACTION:

NSC/S *ph*Max Friedersdorf *oh* cc (for information):Ken Lazarus *ch*

Jack Marsh

Jim Cavanaugh

Ed Schmults

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date:

May 19

Time:

500pm

SUBJECT:

H.R. 2776 - Relief of Candido Badua

H.R. 4038 - Relief of Jennifer Ann Blum

H.R. 8863 - Relief of Randy E. Crismundo

H.R. 2776 - Relief of Candido Badua

ACTION REQUESTED: H.R. 5227 - Relief of Frank Mark Russell

☐ For Necessary Action☐ For Your Recommendations☐ Prepare Agenda and Brief☐ Draft Reply☒ For Your Comments☐ Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

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K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CAVANAUGH
FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *M. L.*
SUBJECT: Private Relief Bills - H.R. 2776, H.R. 4038
and H.R. 8863

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs with the agencies
that the bills be signed.

Attachments

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James M. Cannon
For the President

H.R. 4038 - Jennifer Ann Blum

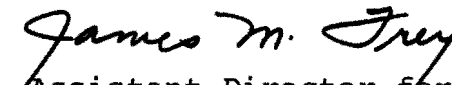
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Assistant Director for
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MEMORANDUM

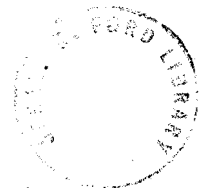
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

2916

May 19, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAMES M. CANNON
FROM: JEANNE W. DAVIS *JWD*
SUBJECT: H.R. 2776 - H.R. 4038
H.R. 8863 - H.R. 5227

The NSC Staff has no objection to the President's approval of enrolled bills 2776, 4038, 8863 and 5227.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO

Washington 25, D.C.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

13 MAY 1976

AND REFER TO THIS FILE NO.

A20 624 710

TO : OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

SUBJECT: Enrolled Private Bill No. H.R. 4038; Office of Management
and Budget request dated May 12, 1976.

Beneficiary or Beneficiaries Jennifer Anne Blum.

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

MAY 14 1976

Dear Mr. Lynn:

, Reference is made to Mr. Frey's communication of May 12, 1976, transmitting for comment enrolled bills H.R. 8863, "For the relief of Randy E. Crismundo", H.R. 4038, "For the relief of Jennifer Anne Blum", and H.R. 2776, "For the relief of Candido Badua".

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

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. McCloskey
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT

MAY 14 1976 5:05

RECEIVED

JENNIFER ANNE BLUM

NOVEMBER 6, 1975.—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 H.R. 4038]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 4038), for the relief of Jennifer Anne Blum, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

The amendment is as follows:

On page 1, line 7, after the words "Captain and" strike out "Mr." and substitute "Mrs."

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of this bill, as amended, is to facilitate the admission into the United States of the adopted child of citizens of the United States. The bill has been amended to correct an error in drafting.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The beneficiary of this bill is a 1-year-old native and citizen of Korea with her adoptive parents, citizens of the United States. Her adoptive father is a Captain in the United States Army who expects to complete his tour of duty in that Country in August of 1976, several months prior to the time the beneficiary will be eligible for a visa under the general provisions of the law.

The pertinent facts in this case are contained in a letter dated July 24, 1975 from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturaliza-

tion to the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. That letter and accompanying memorandum read as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Washington, D.C., July 24, 1975.

A20 624 710.

HON. PETER W. RODINO,
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. 4038) for the relief of Jennifer Anne Blum, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill provides that for immigration purposes the beneficiary, who has been adopted by United States citizens, may be classified as a child and granted immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed by the adoptive parents. It also provides that the beneficiary's natural siblings shall derive no immigration benefits by virtue of such relationship.

The beneficiary, a native of Korea, is chargeable to the nonpreference portion of the numerical limitation for immigrants and conditional entrants from countries in the Eastern Hemisphere.

Sincerely,

L. F. CHAPMAN, Jr.,
Commissioner.

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE H.R. 4038

Information concerning this case was obtained from Mr. and Mrs. Robert James Blum, the adoptive parents and interested parties.

The beneficiary, Jennifer Ann Blum, previously known as Hui Yu, was born July 1, 1974 in Seoul, Korea. She was adopted in the Seoul District Civil Court on October 23, 1974. Her natural parents reside in Korea with four other daughters, and being unable to properly care for the beneficiary, consented to her adoption by the interested parties.

Mr. Robert James Blum was born May 11, 1949 in Mondovi, Wisconsin. He received a degree of Juris Doctorate from the Golden Gate University at San Francisco, California in 1974. He joined the United States Army in July 1974 and is presently a Captain earning \$14,000 per year. He and his wife are stationed in Korea where he will complete his tour of duty in August 1976. He lists assets of \$4,000 consisting of personal property.

Mrs. Marion Elinor Blum was born February 3, 1951 in St. Paul, Minnesota. She received an Associate Degree of Nursing from the St. Mary's Junior College in Minneapolis in 1971. She and her spouse were married in St. Paul in 1970. They have been unable to have any natural children.

The beneficiary will not be eligible for an immigrant visa as

an immediate relative until after October 23, 1976, prior to which time her adoptive parents expect to be in the United States. An adopted child must be in legal custody of, and reside with the adopting parents for two years in order to qualify for immigration benefits based on the relationship per section 101(b)(1)(E) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

On August 13, 1975, the Department of State submitted a report on this legislation which reads as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D.C., August 13, 1975.

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

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I refer to your request for a report concerning the case of Jennifer Anne Blum, beneficiary of H.R. 4038, 94th Congress.

This 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 Captain and Mrs. Robert J. Blum, American citizens. It also provides that the natural parents or brothers and 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 American Embassy at Seoul, Korea, has informed the Department that the beneficiary was born on July 1, 1974, at Seoul, Korea. She is not an orphan. She is presently residing with her prospective adoptive parents, Captain and Mrs. Robert J. Blum.

The beneficiary is registered as an intending immigrant chargeable to the foreign state limitation for Korea, with a registration priority date of May 8, 1975. Visa numbers are not presently available for applicants in this category.

A check of the Embassy's visa files fails to reveal a record of derogatory information pertaining to the beneficiary.

The beneficiary underwent a medical examination on July 11, 1975, and was found to be in good health.

As a technical matter, it would appear that in line 7 of the bill the abbreviation "Mr." should be changed to read "Mrs."

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. McCLOSKEY,
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations.

Mr. John L. Burton, the author of this bill, submitted the following letter in support of this legislation:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C., October 31, 1975.

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

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I would like to take this opportunity to express my wholehearted support of this legislation, H.R. 4038, for the relief of Jennifer Anne Blum.

The case of Jennifer Anne Blum is a clear illustration of a situation in which our immigration laws cannot provide for the unique circumstances surrounding the adoption of this child.

Jennifer Anne Blum, a.k.a. Hui Yu, was born of Korean parents in Seoul, Korea on July 1, 1974. Her natural parents authorized a release of all rights to the custody of and control over the child, and she was adopted by Captain and Mrs. Robert J. Blum, citizens of the United States, in October of 1974. The adoption decree was certified on October 26, 1974.

Captain Robert J. Blum is presently serving with the United States Army in the Republic of Korea. His tour of duty in Korea will be completed in August of 1976. However, under Section 101(b)(1)(E) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Jennifer will not be eligible for an immigrant visa application until October of 1976.

Furthermore, a temporary non-immigrant visa is not a workable solution to this problem since the Korean Government will not issue a passport for Jennifer unless they are in receipt of a statement of Jennifer's eligibility to be granted an immediate permanent visa from the U.S. Embassy in Seoul.

In conclusion, therefore, I support this legislation because no administrative remedy exists which would allow Captain and Mrs. Blum to bring their child to the United States in August of 1976, and without the passage of this legislation, the Blums would be required to return to the United States, leaving their baby daughter in Korea.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Subcommittee, for giving me the opportunity to bring this matter to your attention. I would very much appreciate your favorable consideration of this legislation.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. BURTON,
Member of Congress.

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 RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon consideration of all the facts in this case, the Committee is of the opinion that H.R. 4038 should be enacted and accordingly recommends that the bill do pass.

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Calendar No. 741

94TH CONGRESS
2d Session

SENATE

REPORT
No. 94-785

JENNIFER ANN BLUM

MAY 6, 1976.—Ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 4038]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 4038), for the relief of Jennifer Ann Blum, 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 entry into the United States as an immediate relative of the adopted child of U.S. citizens.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 1-year-old native and citizen of Korea who currently resides there with her adoptive parents, Captain and Mrs. Robert J. Blum, citizens of the United States. The adoptive father has requested a curtailment of his tour of duty in Korea, which was scheduled to terminate in August 1976. However, the beneficiary will not be eligible for an immigrant visa as an immediate relative until after October 23, 1976.

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C., March 12, 1976.

HON. JAMES EASTLAND,
Chairman, Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, Senate Judiciary Committee, 2226 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I have just received the attached letter from my constituent, Captain Robert J. Blum, concerning my bill, H.R. 4038, for the relief of his daughter, Jennifer Anne Blum.

As you will note, Captain Blum has requested a curtailment of his tour, which is scheduled to end in August 1976. This is due to the necessity of his wife to return to the United States as soon as possible for medical reasons. Therefore, I must request that you please do all possible to expedite consideration of H.R. 4038 so that Captain and Mrs. Blum may return to the U.S. as soon as possible with their daughter, Jennifer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

JOHN L. BURTON,
Member of Congress.

S.R. 785

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY,
HEADQUARTERS, 8TH U.S. ARMY TRIAL ADVOCACY CENTER,
OFFICE OF THE STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE,
APO San Francisco, Calif., March 8, 1976.

HON. JOHN L. BURTON,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Attention: Miss Lisa Gonzalez, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, Calif.

DEAR MISS GONZALEZ: Prior to writing this letter, I reviewed the correspondence between your office and myself. That review caused me to realize that you have done a great amount of work on our behalf. Please allow me to express my gratitude to you for your efforts. If I am reassigned to the Presidio we would like to meet you to personally thank you for your efforts.

I must reluctantly ask you for a favor. Recently, my wife was informed that she is in need of a medical procedure which is not available in the Republic of Korea. For this reason I am applying for a curtailment of my tour. For this reason, it is imperative that action be taken on the bill as expeditiously as possible so as to allow us to leave Korea. I would ask that Mr. Eastland be recontacted in an effort to speed up the subcommittee processing of the bill.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. BLUM,
Captain, JAGC,
472-56-8966.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H.R. 4038) should be enacted.

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Ninety-fourth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the nineteenth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six*

An Act

For the relief of Jennifer Anne Blum.

*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, Jennifer Anne Blum, also known as Hui Yu 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 Captain and Mrs. Robert J. Blum, citizens 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.*

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

May 12, 1976

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on May 12th:

S. 2619 ✓	H.R. 2776 ✓
S. 2620 ✓	H.R. 4038 ✓
S. 3031 ✓	H.R. 5227 ✓
S. 3107 ✓	H.R. 8863 ✓

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 James T. Lynn
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C.