PORTUGUESE ENBASSY WASHINGTON

September 8, 1958

My dear Mr. Fogarty:

The measure of relief enacted by the United States Congress, admitting into this country, outside the immigration quota, fifteen hundred refugees from the natural calamity in Fayal Island, Azores, is an act of humanitarianism and friendship for the Portuguese people, for which we are particularly indebted to you and to Congressman Hagen, of California, its generous sponsors in the House of Representatives. Therefore, it gives me great pleasure to convey to you, on behalf of my Government and in my own name, the expression of our great appreciation.

With my best personal regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

L. Esteves Fernandes Ambassador of Portugal

The Honourable

John E. Fogarty

United States House of Representatives
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