

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SERVICE
GREECE

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Family Name **B E R I S S A** Reg. No. **139 (A-4)50580**
Head of Family **B E S T A N** No. in Family Unit **1**

PERSONAL DATA

B E R I S S A
Last Name First Name Maiden Name
M **Orthodox** Religion **Albania** Place of Birth **July 1928** Date of Birth
Sex Marital Status
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Father's Name Mother's Maiden Name
Albanian Last Citizenship **Albania** Arrived in Greece from **Febr. 2, 1946** Date
Aliens Dept. Card No **26/156** Other Identification Documents **Febr. 7, 1954** Date Arrived in Camp
Identify Card No.
Aliens Camp, Syros Present Address Change of Address Date of Change

INTERVIEW RECORD

DATE	RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION TAKEN
April 6, 54	To be referred to WOC for migration. To be referred to USEP (after request).	Referred to WOC on <u>April 9, 1954</u> Referred to USEP on <u>October 4, 1954</u>
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GREEK BRANCH

Case No. 788 (A-4) 80580

Family Name BERISSA Head of Family DESTAF

Persons Interviewed: 1. DESTAF 3. _____
2. _____ 4. _____

Accompanying Family Members:

	<u>Surname & Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____

CASE SUMMARY

1. DESCRIPTION:

Mr. Berissa is a 25 year old Albanian, of medium height, rather thin, with black hair and brown eyes. He had a light skin and a small black mustache. His clothes were in a very good condition. He was very polite and very eager to speak and tell us his story.

2. HEALTH:

Mr. Berissa has never been seriously ill. However, he very often suffers from his stomach. We did not notice any physical handicap.

3. RELATIVES IN COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AND ABROAD:

He left three married sisters in Albania.
He has no other relatives abroad.

4. SOCIAL HISTORY:

1929 Mr. Berissa was born in Bilosha which at that time belonged to Yugoslavia. He did not have any schooling at all. Still he learned by himself how to write.

He belonged to a large family. He was the youngest of 8 children. His father was a farmer and cultivated wheat, potatoes etc. Mr. Berissa lost his parents when he was still a small child. He then worked in the fields with his older brothers and when he became 15 yrs old, in:

1942 - 1946 he took the gun and went to the mountains to join the guerilla fight against the Italians, Germans and afterwards against the communists.

Sept. 15, 1946 He escaped to Greece with 56 other persons. Twenty six of them were killed on the way by the communists. Mr. Berissa managed to reach Greece safely.

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Case No ISS (A-4)80320

Family Name **B E R I S S A**

CASE SUMMARY (Continued)

1946 - 1949 He stayed at Lavrion Camp, where he did not find any job.
March 1949 He went to IRO camp in Italy. He stayed there for 5 or 6 months. He had a chance then to go to Brazil or Australia, but he did not like to go there.
Sept. 1949 He came back to Greece, and lived privately in Athens.
1949 - 1953 Mr. Berissa told us that during this period he worked as a gardener but it is our impression that he had some sort of a job that was well payed.
1952 He met a girl in Athens with whom he got engaged.
1953 He went to the U.S.A and stayed there for 13 months.
Febr. 2, 1954 He came back from the States.
Febr. 6, 1954 He was brought to Syros camp. While in Athens, he was not given permission to go and meet his fiancee. He has written to her to come and meet him in Syros.

5. SPECIAL PROBLEM:

He wants to marry soon.

6. POSSIBILITIES FOR THE FUTURE:

Mr. Berissa wants to migrate to the U.S.A, after he marries with his wife. He can work as an agricultural worker or a common worker in a factory. He told us he has money to pay both his and his wife's way to the U.S.A.

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ISS Athens Office Case Worker

April 6, 1954.

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