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Ottawa, April 21, 1922.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of a copy of your letter of the 13th March, 1922, reference 468/2/, addressed to Mr. Leon Perelman, Solna 17 room 8, Warsaw, in connection with an application for a British passport from Mr. Perelman.

In reply, I beg to inform you that the applicant is a Canadian citizen, who was naturalized under Chapter 77, R.S.C., and whose naturalization as a British subject is limited to Canada. However, at the time of his naturalization the certificate he obtained was sufficient to procure for him the good offices of British Consular Officers all over the world. Mr. Perelman left Canada before the war, and there appears to be very good reason for assuming that his lengthy stay abroad has been occasioned by the war. But as he now asks for assistance to return to Canada, and there appears to be no good reason why he should not, I would respectfully suggest that he should receive proper assistance. I would further submit that as all British Consular Officers are appointed by the Foreign Office, there is no Canadian authority competent to give instructions to such officers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) Thomas Mulvey,

Under-Secretary of State.

His Britannic Majesty's Consul,
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