

1931.

Kenya.

No. 17375.

SUBJECT

C0533/417

Nairobi European Girls' School.

Indian Boys' School.

Application for grant of Royal titles.

Previous

17019/31

Subsequent

COPY.

at 7A Collingham Place,
South Kensington,
London, S.W.7.

November 5th 1931.

The Passport Office,
London.

Dear Sirs,

We the undersigned particularly request that you will be good enough to grant this our application to have the name of Mary Margaret Rushton; born on 26th May 1931 of British parents in Lugano Switzerland; added to passport No. 97960, as the adopted daughter of the undersigned.

We make this request as we have been advised by eminent London specialists that now, after a severe operation it is impossible for us to have children of our own, our desire so to do being very great, and this child being the only one we can find in London exactly suitable.

We are booked to sail from Southampton on December 2nd next to return to Kenya Colony and therefore ask you to proceed with all possible speed.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) Violet Searle. Passport No. 97960
,, C.E.F. Searle. Passport No. 30019.



FOREIGN OFFICE

Telephone:
VICTORIA 8540.

Teletype Address:
TELEPASSY, PARL., LONDON."

Please quote Reference..... Appn. 97960/25. (Gen)

PASSPORT OFFICE,

1, QUEEN ANNE'S GATE BUILDINGS,

DARTMOUTH STREET,

WESTMINSTER,

LONDON, S.W. 1.



7th November, 1931.

Sir,

I beg to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. G. E. F. Searle and Mrs. Violet Searle, who are understood to be ordinarily resident at Nairobi, requesting that the particulars of their adopted daughter, Angela Violet, may be added to Mrs. Searle's passport in order that they may take her with them to Kenya on December 2nd next.

The child, which has been adopted through the National Children Adoption Association, was born at Lugano, Switzerland on May 26th last, and was registered in the name of Mary Margaret Rushton, the daughter of Gertrude Holdsworth Rushton, a British subject. Being illegitimate the child has no claim to British nationality.

It is not the practice to include an alien child on a British passport but this appears to be a case where an exception might be made.

It is, therefore, proposed to add the child's name to Mrs. Searle's passport and at the same time to advise Mr. Searle that on the child reaching the age of sixteen, when she would require a separate passport, she would not be eligible for the grant of a British passport unless or until she has become a naturalized British subject.

I should be glad to learn as early as possible whether any objection is seen to the course proposed.

A similar letter is being addressed to the Home Office

Your obedient Servant,

Chief Passport Officer.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

August 12 NOV 1931

C. O.

Mr. *Edwards* *9/12*

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Sir G. Grindle.

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Secretary of State.

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The Chief Passport
Officer.

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Sir,

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Appx. 97960/25 (Gen)
of the 7 November & to inf.
you that he ~~has~~ has no
objection to the course
which it is proposed to
adopt in regard to the
application of Mr & Mrs G.E.F.
Searle for the addition of
the name of their
adopted daughter to
their passport
(Signed) T. ALLEN

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COPY.

HOME OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, S.W.1.

Reference No:-

611697

16th November, 1951.

The Under Secretary of State for the Home Department presents his compliments to the Chief Passport Officer and with reference to his letter (Appn. 9760/25 (Gen)) of the 7th instant covering a copy of a letter from Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Searle regarding the inclusion of the name of their adopted daughter, Angela Violet, in Mrs. Searle's passport, begs to say that he concurs in the course proposed. He would, however, suggest that it should be made clear on the passport that the infant is not a British subject.

The Chief Passport Officer,
Passport Office.

From -

To -

The Under Secretary of State,
Home Office,
London, S.W.1.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

H.O. Ref. No. 611457

Copy of the undermentioned paper⁽²⁾ is forwarded for
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information.

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17 NOV 1931
OCL OFFICE

Home Office,

16th November, 1931.

Reference to previous correspondence:-

No!
Passport Office letter appn.97:60/25 (Gen) of the 7th instant.
Description of Enclosures.

Name and date

Subject

Home Office letter dated 16th
November, 1931.

Inclusion of the name of
the adopted daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. S.E.F. Searle
in Mrs. Searle's passport
for the journey to Kenya

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Trs. copy letter from Mr & Mrs G. E. F. Searle of Nairobi, requesting that particulars of their adopted daughter may be added to Mrs Searle's passport. Propose to add the child's name informing Mrs Searle that on reaching the age of 16, the child will require a separate passport.

I have spoken to Mr Justice & Mr Clouston. I don't see that we are concerned except possibly in so far as the a precedent might be set & Mr Clouston assumes me that from that point of view there is no objection. H.

Garfield
S. S. H.
at

I know nothing of Mr & Mrs Searle.

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To Passport Office - 1 answer - 22 Nov 1931

Home Office — 16/11/31
Trs. copy letter as sent to
Passport Office

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