

INTERNATIONALER ZIVILDIENTST e. DEUTSCHER v. ZWEIG DES SERVICE CIVIL INTERNATIONAL



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Dear Vivien,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 2nd. I was very pleased to learn that all the procedure concerning to our Czech volunteer Ivan Oliva and his LT service in Algeria has started already. As to the address of Ivan Oliva, I did not mention it in my last letter of February 28th, since I gave it to you in my first letter of January 23rd. MU Dr. Ivan Oliva, chirurg. oddelení nemocnice, Hranice na Morave, CSSR. But it is all right, because he will receive it directly from Mr. Baroch / Central Committee of CSM.

Today I have also written to Mr. Baroch and to Ivan Oliva explaining them some more details and possibilities how to speed up all procedure. Now, it depends mostly on them if everything is to be arranged in time. If there are some difficulties, please have also in mind that Ivan Oliva is the first LTV ever sent through CSM. But I am sure that they will do their best.

On the other hand, there are some possibilities on SCI part, which could help to settle all the matter. First, CSM would be very grateful to have an official invitation for the service in Algeria, to be able to apply for visa as soon as possible. It would be very good, if you could sent this invitation immediately after receiving the references and application forms together with recommendation from CSM. Also, it would help the matter very much, if Algerian SCI delegation could intervene with Algerian authorities to give the approval for Ivan Oliva's visa as soon as possible, so that he could receive it already in Prague or very soon during his stay in Paris. It would complicate all situation very much if you are able to send it only after the interview in Paris. This form of application for visa is in Czechoslovakia very often used and especially if there is a guarantee of such central organ as CSM really is. It would be better to send this invitation directly to CSM, as Ivan is living and working about 300 km from Prague. Another possibility for SCI cooperation is the arrangement for Ivan Oliva stay in Paris. It would be of no use for him to come back to Prague after his interview and then again back. I am sure that he would appreciate, if there is for example a possibility for him to work during that time in French Branch's office what could be also good practice for him.

I know that you will have probably more work with our LTV's than with LTV's from West Europe but on the other hand I am sure that CSM will appreciate very much your effort to have East European volunteers on your projects and which will also without any doubts help SCI to be recognize by those countries as really non-political and non-governmental organization and thus also strengthen its reputation as an international organization.

Amitiés,

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