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## DP Who Lost Leg Fleeing Reds Flies Here

VIENNA, Austria, July 27 (AP) — A young Hungarian mother who lost a leg while fleeing through the Iron Curtain left Vienna with her husband today for the United States.

Dr. and Mrs. Geza Kapus, who made a dramatic escape across the heavily-mined Hungarian border a year ago with their 7-year-old daughter, are headed first for Washington to be greeted by President Eisenhower.

They are the first escapees to get United States visas under the Refugee Relief Act.

After seeing Mr. Eisenhower,

they will fly to Midland, Tex., to join their daughter, Eva, and make a new home. The child left for Texas with an aunt some time ago.

Flushed with excitement at the prospect of her first flight, 32-year-old Gisela Kapus talked cheerfully about the future of her family. She was carried to the plane on a chair, the left leg of her slacks pinned just below the knee.

Looking down at her missing limb, Mrs. Kapus said: "It was a big blow to lose my leg, but I still say I shall be happier with one leg in the United States than with two in Communist Hungary."

Mrs. Kapus lost her leg when a Hungarian border guard threw a hand grenade at the escaping party. Her husband, a former lawyer, tossed their child over the barbed-wire fence on the frontier and then went back and carried his semi-conscious wife to freedom in Austria.

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