In the Matter of the Petition

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ISSAM D. SOUSSOU, M.D.

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Sales and Use : Taxes under Article(s)28 & 29 of the Tax Law for the **X*X*X*X*X*X*Y** Period(x) : September 24, 1974.

State of New York County of Albany

501 West 113th Street New York, New York 10025

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (YENTESENKALINE OKKYNE) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (YENTESENKALINE) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

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12th day of May

, 1977.

Bruce Batchelor



STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

May 12, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518) 457-1723

Issam D. Soussou, M.D. 501 West 113th Street New York, New York 10025

Dear Dr. Soussou:

Please take notice of the **DETERMINATION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 1139 and 1243 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours

Frank J. Puccia

Supervisor of Small

Claims Hearings

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

Enc.

STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

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ISSAM D. SOUSSOU, M.D.

DETERMINATION

for Revision of a Determination or for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the Period September 24, 1974.

Applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., residing at 501 West 113th Street, New York, New York 10025, has filed an application for revision of a determination or for refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period September 24, 1974. A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Chyrywaty, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, One Marine Midland Plaza, Room 1300, Rochester, New York, on August 12, 1976, at 1:15 P.M. Applicant appeared pro se. The Sales Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Richard Kaufman, Esq. of counsel).

ISSUE

Whether receipts from the sale of an automobile to a non-resident alien individual, who maintained an apartment in New York State, were subject to sales tax.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On November 19, 1974, applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., filed an application for credit or refund of New York State and local sales and use tax in the amount of \$380.53. This represented the sales tax paid by him on an automobile purchased on September 24, 1974. The application was denied in full by the Sales Tax Bureau on February 13, 1975.
- 2. Applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., was a citizen of Lebanon. He came to the United States for the purpose of attending medical school and since July 4, 1973, has maintained an exchange visitor status for visa purposes. Under this visa, he may remain in the United States for four years. He plans to return to Lebanon upon completion of his medical training.
- 3. Applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., resided at 174 Leicestershire Road, Rochester, New York, during the latter half of 1974. He maintained an apartment at that address from July, 1974, on a yearly lease basis.
- 4. On September 24, 1974, applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., purchased a 1975 Oldsmobile Cutlass from Hastings Oldsmobile, Inc. in Rochester, New York, and paid New York State sales tax of \$380.53. He purchased the automobile for his sister who resides in Beirut, Lebanon.

5. On September 30, 1974, applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., drove the automobile from Rochester to a dock in Brooklyn, New York. He had obtained an in-transit vehicle permit from the Department of Motor Vehicles which was valid for a period of thirty days. The vehicle was then shipped to Beirut, Lebanon by Colonial Shipping Company, Inc. on October 3, 1974.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That applicant, Issam D. Soussou, M.D., had a permanent place of abode in New York State at the time he took delivery of the motor vehicle. Therefore, the receipts from the sale of said vehicle to applicant were subject to tax within the meaning and intent of section 1105(a) of the Tax Law.
- B. That the application of Issam D. Soussou, M.D., for credit or refund of State and local sales and use tax is denied.

DATED: Albany, New York
May 12, 1977

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