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I arrived on a very cold day in January 1957 with my wife and son Richard born on the Boat "Venezuela." We were Hungarian refugees and as our son was born on the boat, there was a lot of hullabaloo about our arrival. The Halifax TV and Newspapers featured this event and until our baby got stronger we had to stay at Pier 21. From there a Dartmouth family (Mr. & Mrs. Doug Hamilton of 34 Newcastle) took us in until we got on our feet. Therefore Pier 21 was our first home - for about two weeks - in Canada. During this period I acted as an interpreter to Canada Immigration for the many arriving Hungarians.