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- 1st MAY DAY 1967. FOUND US THINKING ABOUT OUR FUTURE. IN SPITE OF FACT I MARRIED MARINA TO HUNT ELLA I FOUND MYSELF IN LOVE WITH MARINA.
- MAY - THE TRANSITION OF CHANGING FULL LOVE FROM ELLA TO MARINA WAS VERY PAINFUL ESP. AS I SAW ELLA ALMOST EVERY DAY AT THE FACTORY BUT AS THE DAYS & WEEKS WENT BY I ADJUSTED MORE AND MORE MY WIFE MENTALLY. I STILL HADN'T TOLD MY WIFE OF MY DESIRE TO RETURN TO U.S. SHE IS MADLY IN LOVE WITH ME FROM THE VERY START, BOAT RIDES ON LAKE MINSK WALKS THROUGH THE PARKS EVENING AT HOME OR AT HUNT VALIA'S PLACE MARK MAY
- JUNE - A CONTINUENCE OF MAY, EXCEPT THAT WE DRAW CLOSER AND CLOSER, AND I THINK VERY LITTLE NOW OF ELLA. IN THE LAST DAYS OF THIS MONTH I REVEAL MY LONGING TO RETURN TO AMERICA. MY WIFE IS SLIGHTLY STARTLED, BUT THEN ENCOURAGES ME TO DO WHAT I WISH TO DO.
- JULY - I DECIDE TO TAKE MY TWO WEEK VACATION AND TRAVEL TO MOSCOW (WITHOUT POLICE PERMISSION) TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY TO SEE ABOUT GETTING MY U.S. PASSPORT BACK AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MY WIFE TO ENTER THE U.S. WITH ME.
- JULY 8 - I FLY BY PLANE TO MINSK ON A IL-203 HAS 204 LATER AFTER TAKING A TEARFUL AND ANXIOUS PARTING FROM MY WIFE I ARRIVE IN MOSCOW DEPARTING BY BUS FROM THE AIRFIELD I ARRIVE IN THE CENTER OF THE CITY. MAKING MY WAY THROUGH HEAVY TRAFFIC I DON'T COME IN SIGHT OF THE EMBASSY UNTIL 3:00 IN THE AFTERNOON. ITS SATURDAY WHAT IF THEY ARE CLOSED? ENTERING I FIND THE OFFICES EMPTY BUT MANAGE TO CONTACT SNYDER ON THE PHONE (SINCE ALL EMBASSY PERSONAL LIFE ON THE SAME BUILDING) HE COMES DOWN TO GREET ME SHAKES MY HAND AFTER INTERVIEW HE ADVISES ME TO COME IN FIRST THING MON.
- (see - July 8-13.)
- JULY 8. INTERVIEW JULY 8 RECEIVE PASSPORT, CALL MARINA TO MOSCOW ALSO.
- JULY 14. I AND MARINA RETURN TO MINSK.
- JULY 15. MARINA AT WORK, IS SHOCKED TO FIND OUT THEY EVERYONE KNOWS SHE ENTERED THE U.S. EMBASSY. THEY WERE CALLED AT HER PLACE OF WORK FROM SOME OFFICIAL IN MOSCOW! THE BOSSES HOLD A MEETING AND GIVE HER A STRONG BROWBEATING. THE FIRST OFFICIAL ENCOURAGEMENTS.

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