

Nov. 8 1937

Dear Alice

Well, what shall we talk about? The  
little things, perhaps? Certainly you do not wish me  
to repeat of my decision to remain in the  
British zone, and apply for citizenship here,  
since I'm afraid you would not be able to  
comprehend my reason. You will, but  
I have nothing about me. Do you know for  
certain that I have wanted to do this  
for well over a year, do you know that I  
(Bob's "inspiration"?) spent a few months of  
Russian which I have been studying for many  
months  
I have been told that I will not have to  
leave the British zone if I do not want to.  
This then is my decision. I will not leave  
this country, the British zone, under any  
conditions, I will never return to the  
United States which is a certainty, I hope.  
I am sorry, perhaps soon, and then again  
perhaps in a few years, it will become a  
city of the British zone, but it is  
mine.

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any legal process, in any court, I will not  
to leave the British zone and I will never  
I received your telegram and was glad  
from you, and one word to let me know,  
'middle' I assume you mean that I have  
'middle' it is not for you to tell me to  
cannot understand my reason for this very  
action.

I will not speak to anyone from  
will talk on the telephone now if I  
be told by the machine.

if you wish to correspond with me  
you can write to the above address, but  
I really don't see what we could do  
if you wish to and me very, that I  
will, but I do not appear to be able to  
it back.

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
METROPOL HOTEL RN 333  
HOUSTON, U.S.S.A.

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METROPOL HOTEL  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

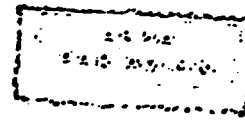
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de Joseph Oswald  
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS

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1313 DAVENPORT ST.  
FORT WORTH,  
TEXAS,  
U.S.A.



MAIL



Nov 26 1959

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Nov 26, 1959

Dear Robert

I shall begin by answering your question on why I and my fellow workers and communists would like to see the present capitalist government of the U.S. overthrown.

Do you remember the time you told me about the efforts of your milk company to form a union? Try to see why workers must form unions against their employers in the U.S., it is because the government supports an economic system which exploits all its workers, a system based upon credit which gives rise to the never ending cycle of depression, inflation, unlimited speculation (which is the case America is in now) and war. In this system art, culture, and the spirit of man are subjected to commercial enterprising; religion and education are used as a tool to suppress what would otherwise be a population questioning their government's unfair economic system and plans for war.

Science is neglected unless it can be directly used in making war or producing more profit for the owners of business. These are some of the reasons. Look around you, and look at yourself. See the segregation, see the unemployed and what automation is, remember how you were laid off at Concorde?

I remember well the days we stood off-shore at Indonesia waiting to surge over yet another population, when they were having a revolution there in Nov. 1955. I can still see Japan and the Philippines and their puppet governments. More important I can see the omission in uniforms men who were there because they were drafted or because they were adventurers or unemployed in civilian life. I will ask you a question Robert, what do you support the American government for? What is the ideal you put forward? Do not say "freedom" because freedom is a word used by all people through all of time. Ask me

and I will tell you I fight for communism.  
This word brings to your mind slaves or  
injustice, this is because of American  
propaganda, look this word up in the  
dictionary or better still, read the book  
which I first read when I was 15,  
"CAPITAL", which contains economic theory  
and most important the "communist manifesto."

I will not say your grandchildren will  
live under communism, look for yourself  
at history, look at a world map! America  
is a dying country, I do not wish to  
be a part of it, nor do I ever again wish  
to be used as a tool in its military  
aggressions.

This should answer your question, and  
also give you a glimpse of my way of  
thinking.

Do you speak of advantages, do you think  
that is why I am here? For personal,  
material advantage? Happiness is  
not based on oneself, it does not consist

of a small home, of taking and getting,  
happiness is taking part in the struggle,  
where there is no bordering between one's  
own personal world, and the world in general.  
I never believed I would find more material  
advantage at this stage of development in  
the Soviet Union than I might of had  
in the U.S.

When I talked to a reporter I gave most  
of my reasons, however, the story I found  
out later was badly sketched and left out  
my real reasons, the reporter was  
interested only in a colorful story.  
I have been a pro-communist for years  
and yet I have never met a communist,  
instead I kept silent and observed,  
and what I observed plus my Marxist  
learning brought me here to the  
Soviet Union. I have ~~always~~ always  
considered this country to be my  
own.

I left you out of the matter because

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I did not want to get you into any sort of trouble because of me, also this decision is one which I only could make, and you would not have been able to understand me.

You probably know little about this country so I will tell you about it. I did find, as I suspected I would, that most of what is written about the Soviet Union in America is for the better part fabrication. The people here have a seven hour work day now and only work till three o'clock on Saturdays with Sundays off. They have socialization which means they do not pay for their apartments or for medical care the money for these comes from the profit they help to create in their labor, which in the U.S. goes to Capitalist. Here in Moscow there is a housing shortage because of the war but its not bad now there is no unemployment here and in fact a slight shortage of manpower even with

a 250,000,000 population this is because the country is building at a pace which will put it first in all fields of endeavor in 15 years. Most important in the fact they do not work for employers at all, a millmen or a factory supervisor are both socially equal, this does not mean they have the same salary of course, this just means that their work goes for the common good of all.

These people are a good, warm, alive people. These people would never think of war, they wish to see all peoples live in peace. But at the same time they wish to see the economically enslaved people of the west free, they believe in their ideal and they support their government and country to the full limit.

You say you have not renounced me, good I am glad, but I will tell you on what terms I want this arrangement.

I want you to understand what I



say now, I do not say lightly, or unknowingly,  
since I have been in the military as you  
know, and I know what war is like.  
" In the event of war, I would kill ~~any~~  
American who put a uniform on in defense  
of the American government - any American.  
" That in my own mind I have no  
attachments of any kind in the U.S.  
" That I want to, and I shall, live a  
normal happy and peaceful life here in the  
Soviet Union for the rest of my life.  
" That my mother and you are (in spite of  
what the newspapers said) not objects of  
affection, but only examples of workers in the U.S.  
" If you should not try to remember me in  
any way I need to be, since I am only now  
showing you how I am, I am not all bitterness  
or hate, I come here only to find freedom,  
In truth, I feel I am at least with my  
own people. but do not let me give you  
the impression I am on another world, these  
people are so much like Americans and people  
the world over. They simply have an economic  
system and the ideal of communism which

the U.S. has not shown. I would never have  
been personally happy in the U.S.

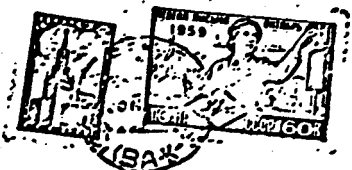
I wish you would do me a favor  
and tell other newspapers along with  
me, I have been thinking I would like to  
give people, who are interested in real reasons  
of you would give the contents of the letter  
(except that which is for your benefit)  
to some reporter, it will clarify my  
situation, use your own judgment, however.  
I have no money problems at all.

At my situation was not really as bad  
then, as it is now, I have no troubles  
at all now along that line.

It is snowing here in Moscow now, which  
makes everything look very nice, from my  
hotel window, I can see the Kremlin and  
Red Square and I have just finished a  
dinner of (Milk & Vegetables) but not potatoes  
to you see the Russians are not so different  
from you and I.

HOTEL METROPOL  
RM 201 (New Room No.)  
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.

Адрес: О.Б.-114  
Личный музей  
Москва, СССР



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VIA AIR MAIL

ROBERT USWALD  
7313 LAUANPORT ST  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

U.S.A.

11/21/69  
1969

Spring '51

Kiss, sweet

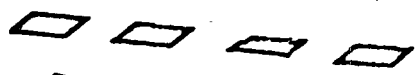
Well, I just got back off  
a short mission, the camp  
conditions, the relations are  
still very, very good  
together.

How is the baby and how is  
mama?

Well, pretty soon I'll be getting  
out of the camp and I know  
what I want to do and  
how I'm going to do it, which  
I guess is the most important  
thing in life.

I know I haven't written  
in a long time please excuse me  
well, there really isn't too much  
news here, but I would like  
to hear from you and the family  
Write soon

Your Brother  
L. H. H.



VIA AIR MAIL

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Dec 17 1959

Rec'd Dec 17, 1959

ME KAUHAPU, HI

VIA AIR MAIL

12/17/59

Robert Oswald  
7313 Darnport St.  
Fort Worth, Texas,  
U.S.A.

Dear Robert,

I will be moving from this hotel, and if you need not write me here. I have chosen to remain all ties with my past, so I will not write again, nor do I wish you to try and contact me, I'm sure you understand that I would not like to receive correspondence from people in the country which I fled. I am starting a new life and I do not wish to have anything to do with the old life.

I hope you and your family will always be in good health

Bob

5/19/61

Two long ago I received a letter in notes but I lost the address. I would like you send it to me you write.

We have a small flat near factory and are living nicely - general I have found the living district has to be good but this lot of things will be done. I go to send you something in the of you like. The news is in one of the most interesting things I have seen in my travels. I should try to visit in some time some time next summer. I am going in the summer. Also this news is for now to hear from you soon.

Regards to Elizabeth and  
Kitty.  
Ed

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Dear Robert,

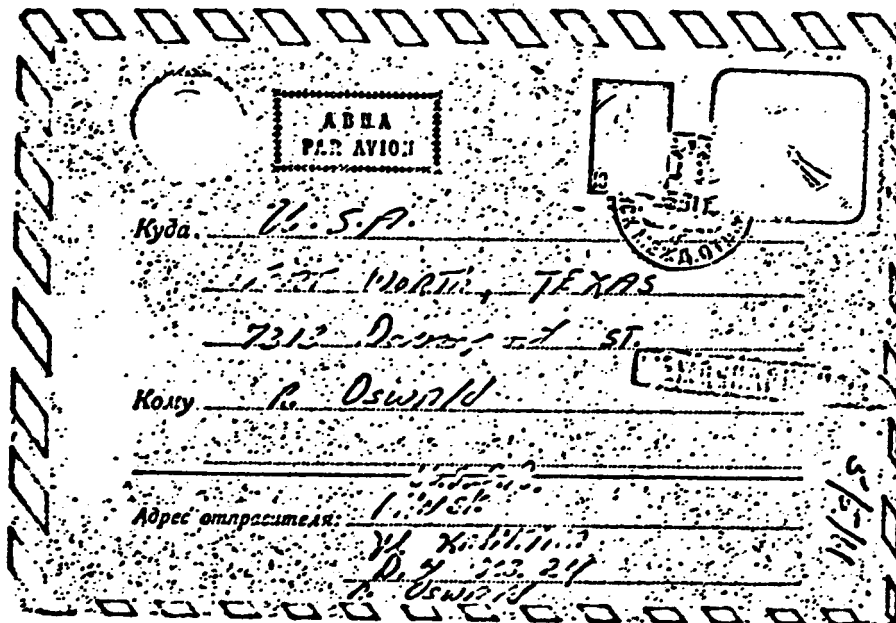
May 5 '61

It has been a long time since I have written you, more than a year, what has happened in that time.

I am now living in the city of ... which is located about 30 miles ... of ... which is the capital city of the ... of ...

I shall have been living here already a year and this month. I am to live in ... I wrote my ... to you. I have been working at the ... Division plant as a ...

On April 30 of this year, I got married. My wife is ... years old, she was born in the city of ... which is the second largest city in the ... She went to ... and she was living well before ...



May 31, '61

Dear Robert.

May 31,

I was glad to hear from you, and really surprised that you have a new son, that really is great. congratulations to you and Vada.

My wife's name is Marina, I sorry I forgot to write it last time.

Marina works in a pharmacy at one of the hospitals here. (almost all girls and women in the U.S.S.R. have some kind of profession and work at it.) She sends her regards to you and Vada and the kids.

I'm glad you have a good job and are thinking about the future. My work here is also not too bad, but in the U.S.S.R. there is no unemployment so a job is not an exceptional thing. There's nothing you can send



me, thanks anyway, maybe you could  
send something, real small to Maria  
as a sort of wedding present I think  
she would get a kick out of  
something coming from the States.  
and let of have some pictures  
of the new baby, I still love  
Cathy's picture, but I <sup>guess</sup> ~~guess~~  
she is all grown up by now.  
also a picture of the house,  
since here 90% of living is done  
in apartment houses, like we  
have, they are comfortable, but  
still a house is a home.

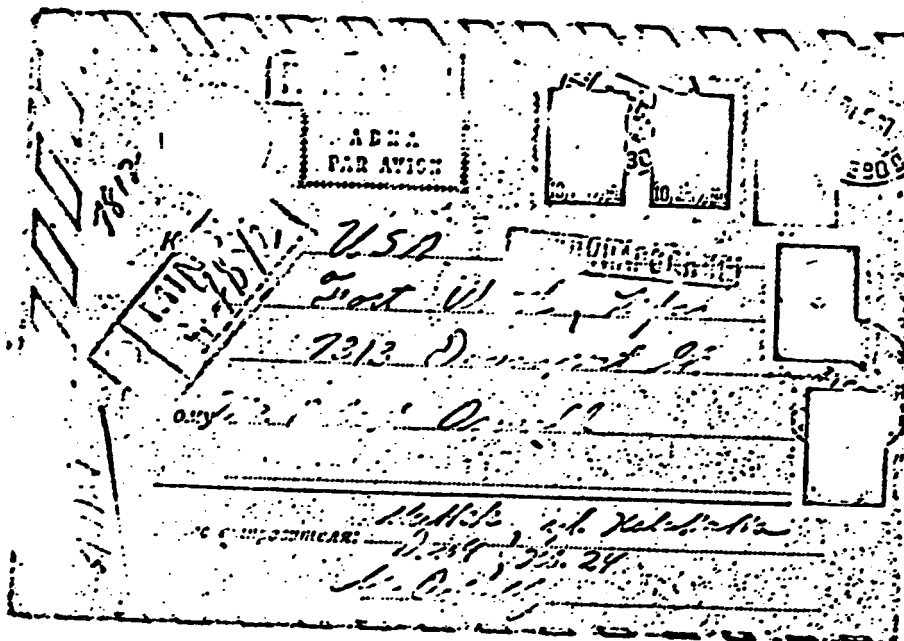
I can't say whether I will  
ever get back to the States or not,  
if I can get the government to  
drop charges against me, and get  
the Russians to let me out with  
my wife, then maybe I'll be seeing  
you again. But, you know it is  
not simple for either of those two

thing. So I just can't say for now.  
I am in touch with the American  
Embassy in Moscow so if anything  
comes up I'll know.  
Well, that's about all for now.  
My hello to Robert Lee Jr. for me.

Your Brother  
to

Точнее тысячу благодарностей  
за поздравления. Я очень счастлива  
знать о благополучии Вашей семьи. Поздрав-  
ляю Вас и Вашу жену с рождением  
сына. Желаю много здоровья и  
счастья Вам и Вашим детям.  
Искренне Мария Освальд.

(I send a thousand thanks for  
your good wishes. I am very glad to  
be a member of the family. I congru-  
tate you and your wife on the birth  
of a son. I wish you and yours good  
health and happiness for all of you, forever.)  
Sincerely Maria Oswald



300 - June 26 '61

June 26

Dear Robert.

Received your letter yesterday and was glad to hear from you and we were very interested in the pictures. Marina says you don't look very much like me in the picture, but I told her we look like two peas in a pot.

I assume the government must have a few charges against me, since my coming here like that is illegal, but I really don't know exactly what charges.

In a few days you should get a package from us. I'm sorry it shall be so modest, we bought some perfume and other stuff but the post office would not accept them because they are breakable.

I see you have a new car. It sure is nice looking. What kind is it? a Ford? when did you get it?

Marina says she would like to see America and meet you and the family.

I received a letter from ma.

yesterday she is working over ranch  
in Cromwell Texas. Do you see  
her?

Well that is for sure.

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H

RECOMMANDE

PAR AVION

R MINSK  
X 847/3

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U.S.A.

Fort Worth, Tex.  
713 Downport St.  
Robert O. Small



10/22/69

Article  
of Kalitvina  
Dost, X224  
Am. Echols



Dear Robert,

July 14 1961

You will want into the American Embassy, I cannot visit you. I will visit on this, because the Russians, Read all letters coming in and out. But anyone of them to the American Embassy and we are doing everything we can to get out.

You don't know what a list this is. I could write a letter about how many people have come and how much they pay.

The Russian can be cruel and very cruel at times. They give a cruel explanation to my wife on the point they are made from Moscow. They show everything to me they want and read the news.

Just we shall continue to try and get out. We shall not resist so far from perhaps we never received it, I suppose they want it to be the best.

I hope somebody will see you and with that of and when I come, let's come with my wife you will imagine how wonderful we stand up.

Write often  
Your brother  
Lee

P.S. Please look

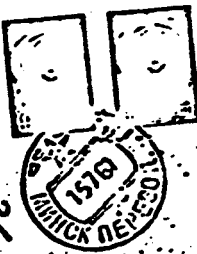
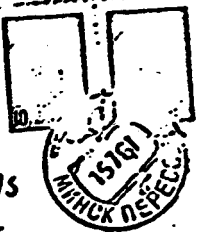
his rights to U.S. and you will be killed.

10 21  
1963

PAR AVION

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U. S. A.  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS  
7313 DAVANPORT ST.  
MR. R. OSWALD



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July 28 '61

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July 27.

Dear Vida and Robert

Today we received your gift and I am very glad to have such a nice present. I like the necklace very much.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness. Earlier we received your photograph of little Robert. It is a very cute lot. It is surprising such a thin and delicate woman can have such fine and healthy children. Now a little about ourselves.

We are getting ready to see you and your children. I hope it shall be soon.

To the very meeting,  
With best wishes,

Morine

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Richard Lindell  
750 Connecticut St  
New York, N.Y., U.S.A.



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Commission Exhibit No. 303 - Aug 21, 1941

Dear Robert:

I got your letter today in which you say you like your book. I'm glad to hear you all might read

Although I did not say anything about the picture of Albert Jr., we did receive them, didn't you get a thank you note from Maria for the picture and also for some picture of Jr.?

We had for me to tell you that you got all my letters, they have alot of cardboard boxes.

I went hunting last week end, we have alot of pine forest here, & alot on some of the islands with my wife. I would like to give you some, but I can't find them.

The weather is cloudy today so birds see the sunnes is very short in the morning. I received a package from you a few days ago. He sent me a soap and perfume, some of shaving cream (last time I asked for) and alot of other things. He is real good to me. Well, that's all for now. Write sometime to Nick and kids.

**R** MINEX  
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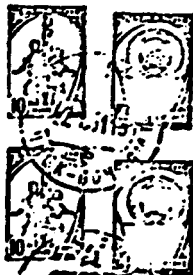
**PAR AVION RECOMMANDE**

U.S.A.  
7313 Drumport St.  
Fort Worth, Texas  
Mr. Robert Oswald

*delivered  
Aug 27/1961*

**MEMORANDUM**

par avion



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Dov. 4. Xb. 24  
17. October*