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Minsk, U.S.S.R.
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Dear Sir,

I wish to call your attention to a case about which you may have personal knowledge since you are a resident of Ft. Worth as I am.

In November 1959 an event was well publicized in the Ft. Worth newspapers concerning a person who had gone to the Soviet Union to reside for a short time. (much in the same way E. Hemingway resided in Paris.)

This person in answer to questions put to him by reporters in Moscow criticized certain facets of American life. The story was blown up into another "turnout" sensation, with the result that the Navy Department gave this person a belated dishonorable discharge, although he had received an honorable discharge after three years service on Sept. 11, 1957 at El Toro, Marine Corps base in California.

These are the basic facts of my case.

I have and always had the full sanction of the U.S. Embassy, Moscow, U.S.S.R. and hence the U.S. government. In as much as I am returning to the U.S.A. in this year with the aid of the U.S. Embassy, (bring with me my family since I married in the U.S.S.R.) I shall employ all means to right this gross mistake or injustice to a born-free U.S. citizen and ex-serviceman. The U.S. government has no charges or complaints against me. I ask you to look into this case and take the necessary steps to repair the damage done to me and my family. For information I would direct you to consult the American Embassy, Chikovski St. 19/21, Moscow, U.S.S.R.

Thank you
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Department of State Washington D.C.
The recipient of this letter
also, I was sure of the finding
of the Board of Officers of the
I was notified by my mother, in

London 1971
my regard, D. H. Leavitt
of my father's report to you
you, D. H. Leavitt, to me, did not say
anything about a Russian
is what I was trying to convey.
You mention "valuable information"
as to how far the Russians
dislike. I have no doubt, it was
misinformation which formed
your "valuable information".
Under the same governing
me of my report and conduct abroad.
I live a very quiet life. I would not
any country I visit too.
I had not visited, since 1971.
Till it is safe, maybe you

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