

Commission Exhibit No. 215

SCS
Gerald Lee Harvey

April 7, 1961

In reply refer to
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Dear Mrs. Oswald:

Reference is made to your letter of March 27, 1961 regarding your son, Lee Harvey Oswald, in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The Department perceives no reason why you may not communicate with your son.

His financial status is not known to the Department. However, you will be informed should arrangements be made for his return to the United States, and he is in need of funds for transportation expenses.

You were informed in the Department's letter of March 22, 1961, that our Embassy at Moscow had suggested to your son that he call at the Embassy for an interview. Your son recently informed our Embassy it was not convenient for him to come to Moscow for an interview. He stated that he believed he could not leave the city of Minsk without permission from the Soviet authorities. He was informed by the Embassy that it is the position of the Soviet Government that it interposes objection or obstacle to visits to the Embassy by American citizens in the Soviet Union. The Embassy suggested to your son that he use the Embassy's letter in applying to the authorities in Minsk for permission to travel to Moscow.

You will be promptly informed as further reports are received from the American Embassy at Moscow.

Sincerely yours,

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