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Lee Harvey OSWALD believed departed from Metropole Hotel within last few days. Had earlier mentioned intention to depart to American correspondent who had maintained contact with Oswald in Metropole. Correspondent suggested Oswald keep him informed of future whereabouts. Oswald left apparently quietly and with no forwarding address. Correspondent states that Oswald appeared in last conversation last week not to have altered intent to accept Soviet citizenship, but may have purposely not carried through original intent to renounce American citizenship in order to leave crack open. No known Soviet publicity on case. No information whether Soviet citizenship acquired. Department will be informed of further developments.

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