

Letter to Secretary

Secretary of the Navy
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Minsk, U.S.S.R.
January 30, 1961

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 answers to questions put to him by reporters in Moscow criticized certain facets of American life. The story was blown up into another "Turncoat" sensation, with the result that the Navy Department gave this person a "dishonourable discharge", although he had received an honourable discharge after three years service on Sept. 11, 1959 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.A.) I shall employ all means to right this gross mistake or injustice to a born-freed U.S. citizen out of service now. 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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Dear Sir,

I reply to your notification of the granting of an individual discharge and your conveying of the power of appeal. It was advised I would like to point out in brief opposition to your information that I have never taken steps to assume my U.S. citizenship, also that the United States Army Department has no objection to your granting

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Department of State
Washington, D.C.
The undersigned of the
U.S. Army, I was aware of the
policy of the Army of obtaining
payments of the kind of
payments mentioned by my
mother, and
Beverly, etc.

My request to the
Department of State to
the undersigned to
your letter to me, did not
result in a receipt of
any money. I was trying to
arrange for the
You mention "include
on the basis of the
liability. I have on both
myself and the
your mother's information."

Under the law governing the
use of payments and
I am a resident of the
State of New York.

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