

- (Q) Do you know anybody from Cuba or do you know any Cubans from Cuba or Cubans that are living in the United States?
- (A) She said she does not. She said that Lee told her that there were many Cubans who live in America who were against the Cuban regime but she does not know any or she has not seen any Cubans.
- (Q) Did Lee talk to anyone and try to bring about their feelings of sympathy for Castro? Did he try to persuade anybody to be in sympathy with Castro?
- (A) She said that when Lee was engaged in disseminating Castro Cuban literature, he met Cubans in the street who were anti-Castro so there was a conflict and Lee was arrested.
- (Q) Where was this?
- (A) Mr. Gregory said: New Orleans. He was arrested and he spent the night in jail and the next day she paid the fine and he said that he will never do it again.
- (Q) Did he express to you his sympathy for Castro directly? Did he try to persuade you or try to make your feelings stronger for Castro?
- (A) She said Lee never insisted on imparting his views on her.
- (Q) Did you or have you ever heard of a (subject offered opinion of her own:
- She said he did not hesitate to express his views to her but he never tried to convert her.
- (Q) Have you ever known or do you know now of any person by the name of A. J. Mydell?
- (A) She said she heard that name mentioned over the radio when Lee was engaged in a debate of a pro-Castro, anti-Castro talk over the radio during the questions and answers debate by the two sides, anti-Castro and pro-Castro.
- (Q) Was he on the radio?
- (A) She said that Lee's talk was recorded in the studio and she heard it on the radio when he got home. It was a 30 minutes talk.

- (Q) She said she heard the name of A. J. Hydell. Does she know what the person of this name was associating with?
- (A) She said that she asked Lee about this man, A. J. Hydell, which side he was on and he replied that he was pro-Castro.
- (Q) Who? Hydell was pro-Castro?
- (A) Mr. Gregory said: yes.
- (Q) Did Lee ever use this name for himself or did he ever call himself?
- (A) She said she did not know if he ever called himself by that name.

NOTE: Mrs. Oswald asked if this was the end, she was tired.
Agent: We are coming close to the end. We will finish in a few minutes.

- (Q) Have you ever heard of Jack Rubenstein?
- (A) The only name Rubenstein she knows is the Russian composer and several stores in New Orleans are by that name.
- (Q) Have you ever heard of anybody that went by the name of "Ruby"?
- (A) No.
- (Q) Do you know if Lee has ever been to a tavern in Dallas called the "Vegas Tavern"?

NOTE: At this point, Mr. Gregory explains to Mrs. Oswald what tavern means.

- (A) Mrs. Oswald said that Lee never drank anything so she does not know that name.
- (Q) Has she ever heard the name of "Carousel Tavern"?
- Subject asked where it was located.

Agent: In Dallas.

- (A) She said no.

- (Q) Did Lee, to your knowledge, know anybody from Chicago, Illinois?
- (A) She does not know if he know anyone from Chicago. As to her knowledge, no letters came from there.
- (Q) Did Mr. Payne and Lee attend any meetings together?

Subject said in Russian: Yes, I remember.

- (A) Mrs. Oswald mentioned one incident, she cannot recall the exact date, when Mr. Payne and Lee, after supper went to some meeting in Dallas but she does not know what kind of meeting it was.
- (Q) All right, lets tell her to try to recollect when they attended this meeting?
- (A) She thinks it was at the beginning of October 1963.
- (Q) Did they attend meetings together more than once?
- (A) She thinks that was the only time when they went to a meeting together because Lee does not have an automobile and since he lacks means of transportation - interruption by Mrs. Oswald.
- She just said she thinks that Lee's views and those of Mr. Payne's are not identical and that they are not friends.
- (Q) Tell her this is very important - but try and recollect if Lee ever discussed with you or told you about anything about this meeting they attended in October 1963.
- (A) She said he did mention something but she does not remember. She said it was importance to man and he was elated about what happened at that meeting but she does not remember. She said if you could tell her - if you know the character of that meeting she may remember.

Agent: We do not want to put words in her mouth. We want her to tell us. We do have certain information but we do not want to prompt her in saying something that is not her own words. You might tell her that.

- (A) She is trying to remember and she thinks the orators or speakers at that meeting belonged to some fascist organizations and that Lee was against the fascist organizations but she is not sure that was a fascist organization that sponsored the meeting.
- (Q) Do you think that it was an organization in sympathy with Cuba or Castro? Do you think this meeting was sympathizers of Castro?
- (A) She does not think so.
- (Q) Do you think it was a Communist meeting?
- (A) No, she does not think it was a Communist meeting. She thinks it was a meeting at which they were discussing - there was a conflict of views of different parties in America, that is what I understand she said, that they were dealing with some conflict of various political ideas in the United States. She speaks of some local or city-wide conflict or trouble or whatever it was at that time and that she does not know anything about it.
- (Q) Do you think that Lee was a type of person that would be interested in local politics or city local politics?
- (A) Her answer is this: That since he lives in Dallas it is possible he was. Maybe he was interested in city politics.
- (Q) Could you tell me what Lee's feelings were for President Kennedy?
- (A) She said this is most interesting. She said that this is the truth. Lee never spoke had about President Kennedy.
- (Q) What about Governor Connally?
- (A) She said that when they were living in the Soviet Union, Lee wrote a letter to Mr. Connally asking him for help for him and his family to return to the United States as soon as possible and that he received from him a very courteous letter in which he advised him that he at that time was not yet governor of Texas. She mentioned that at that time on the envelope in which the letter came there was an inscription, "Vote for Connally."

- (Q) What was his personal feelings for Connolly?
- (A) She said that he never talked to her or expressed his opinions about Connolly. She said that in general, he was secretive, knowing that she as a woman was not too interested.
- (Q) Was Lee the type of person that would not or did not discuss his personal feelings with you?
- (A) It was not his habit to share his views with her but when he met an interesting conversationalist, he would discuss various things with men of that type.
- (Q) Did Lee write to Mr. Connolly when he was Secretary of the Navy in regard to Lee's military dishonorable discharge from the Marines?
- (A) She said that she was of the opinion that he had an honorable discharge.

Mr. Gregory said: Here is the situation the way she tells me about it:

She did not know that he wrote to Connolly about a dishonorable discharge. She thought that he received an honorable discharge and therefore he had nothing to write to Connolly about. So apparently she did not know the contents or nature of the letter. She says that Lee did write the letter - (Subject corrected Gregory in Russian now). She said that now she remembered that he did write to some Minister of the Fleet for re-establishing of something or other, probably the discharge.

- (Q) Did Lee ever write to the President of the United States in the name of President Kennedy?
- (A) She said she didn't think so.

Mr. Gregory: To refresh your memory, in regard to the question - from the Soviet Union or from the United States?

Agent: From anywhere.

(A) She said he did not. She said he wrote to the American Embassy and to Connolly.

(Q) Did Lee ever go to North Dakota?

(A) No.

(Q) In your own opinion, do you think that Lee was responsible for the death of President Kennedy?

(A) She said that in her own opinion, if Lee shot - did any shooting, if he did, he would not have been shooting at President Kennedy. She said I am sure of that. Then she mentioned that from the press she noticed that he shot the policeman because he ran.

(Q) You said that you were positive that Lee was not trying to shoot President Kennedy. Do you feel reasonably sure that he was trying to shoot Governor Connolly?

(A) She is positive that if he did any shooting that he was not shooting at President Kennedy but she is not sure, that if he did any shooting, that he did not shoot at the Governor.

(Q) Do you have any reason to believe that - (Subject interrupts)

She said she does not know what opinion Lee had about the Governor.

Mr. Gregory said: In other words, what she is trying to tell, she knows that Lee had nothing against President Kennedy.

(Q) How did she know?

(A) She said this, that Lee expressed to her that Kennedy was a good President.

(Q) Do you have anything else that you would like to tell us? Do you have anything at all that you would like to tell us before we stop this conversation?

Mr. Gregory in Russian: This is about the end.

- (A) She said that it may seem strange to you that she has favorable impression of Castro and at the same time she has very favorable opinion of Kennedy who she said was a good President and did a lot of good in world politics, and she feels that the loss of President Kennedy is a great loss not for the United States but for the whole world. She said it is difficult to direct the affairs of our country. She is trying to say again that he was a good President.

Mrs. Oswald stated she had more information she wished to tell us:

Mr. Gregory: In short, Mrs. Oswald said that approximately six months ago when her husband was without a job or between jobs which he was losing very frequently, she wrote a letter to the Soviet Embassy in Moscow requesting that permission be granted for her and her husband and her child, and by the way, she was expecting another child, that they be given permission to return to the Soviet Union to reside there. Now that her husband is dead, she does not want to leave this country, she wants to stay here with her children.

- (Q) Did she say when this letter was written?
- (A) She wrote this letter approximately six months ago.
- (Q) OK, does she have anything else to say?
- (A) She thinks that's all. She does not imply that she is against her native land but she wants for the sake of her children and since they have relatives here, she wants to stay here. She has no mother or father.

Due to further information having been telephoned from Washington to Inspector Kelley, we have more questions to be asked Mrs. Oswald. We will continue.

- (Q) While you were in New Orleans, did you or Lee talk to or know of a Mr. Leonard Holzman (?) at Tulane University?
- (A) No, she did not know him.
- (Q) Has she ever heard of that name?
- (A) She said this is the first time she ever heard of it.
- (Q) Have you ever heard of the organization or committee known as the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives?
- (A) Please repeat.
- (Q) Do you know of or have you ever heard of the committee, a Committee for Peaceful Alternatives?
- (A) She said no.
- (Q) Have you ever heard of a Mr. Parry?
- (A) She said she never heard of it. She said that perhaps Lee received some letters from New York containing some of these names but she does not know it.
- (Q) But as far as she knows, she has not heard of them or does she feel she might have heard of them?
- (A) No, she never heard of them.