

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
Memorandum U. S. Secret Service

TO : Chief, Washington

DATE: Dec. 5, 1963

FROM : Inspector Kelley *JK*

SUBJECT: Letters written by Lee Harvey Oswald to brother Robert while

former in Russia
Transmitted herewith are copies of letters written by Lee Harvey Oswald to his brother Robert Edward Lee Oswald while Lee Harvey was in Russia.

These copies were obtained December 4, 1963 by SA Talmadge W. Bailey from Robert Oswald who was present at the time copies were made. He will not release custody of the originals and specifically requests that these copies only be used in official capacity.

One copy of each of the letters is being retained in the Dallas Office.

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RECORD OF Correspondence, Reports
Documents, Telephone Conversations,
Oral Interviews and conversations

CO-2-34, C30
Re: Lee Harvey Oswald
Assassination of President

Date & Time Received: 12-11-63

Received by: oed

Received from: Insp. Kolley (Dallas) (via CO Mail)

Comments
(Brief summary of Document
conversation, etc.)

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Informant Passed for Action to:

No Action Necessary

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THIS DATE I AM FURNISHING SPECIAL AGENT TALMADGE W. BAILEY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE, COPIES OF LETTERS I RECEIVED FROM LEE HARVEY OSWALD WHILE HE WAS IN RUSSIA. THESE LETTERS ARE MY PERSONAL EFFECTS AND CONTAIN PERSONAL MATTERS.

I AM FURNISHING THESE COPIES FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY AND WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY AND THEIR CONTENTS WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC OR ALLOWED IN THE HANDS OF ANY UNAUTHORIZED PERSON.

Robert L. Oswald
ROBERT LEE OSWALD
1999 SIERRA DRIVE,
DENTON, TEXAS

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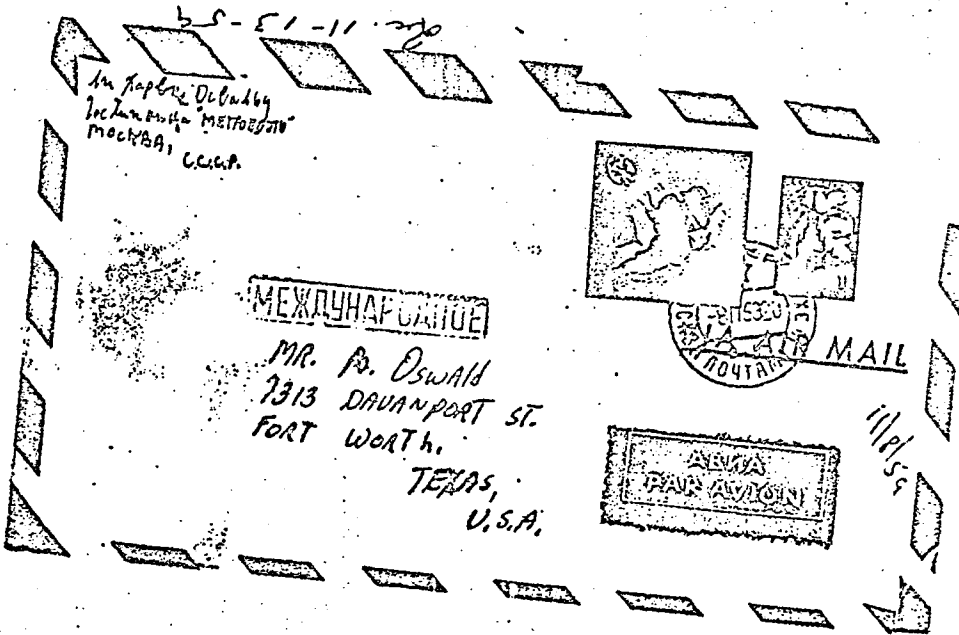
Lee Harvey Oswald & Marina
on Wedding Day April 30, 1961

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Dear Robert

Nov. 8, 1937

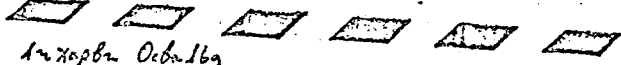
Well, what shall we talk about? The
 By perhaps? Certainly you do not wish me
 speak of my decision to remain in the
 of union and apply for citizenship's law,
 so Sir afraid you would not be able to
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 as anything about me. Do you know for
 times that I have wanted to do this.
 well out a year, do you know that I
 (the two weeks) speak a few amount of
 some which I have been studying for many
 weeks.

have been told that I will not have to
 the level union if I do not care to.
 Then is my decision. I will not have
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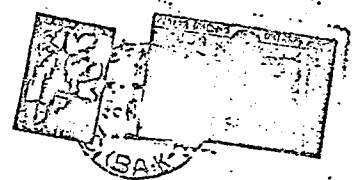
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 from you, only one word bothered me, the word
 "mistake". I assume you mean that I have made
 "mistake" it is not for you to tell me that
 cannot understand my reason for this very reason
 action.

I will not speak to anyone from the
 would like me the telephone since it might
 be typed by the machine.
 If you wish to correspond with me
 you can write to the below address, but
 I really don't see what we could talk about
 if you want to send me money, that I
 use, but I do not expect to be able to pay
 it back.

LEE HARVEY BOARD
 METROPOL HOTEL RM 233
 1105000, U.S.S.R.



Андрей Освальд
в Ленинском районе
Москва, СССР



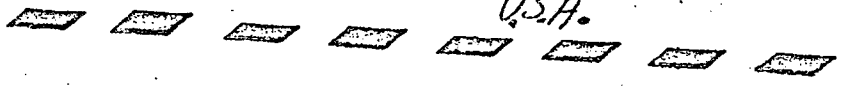
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VIA AIR MAIL

ROBERT OSWALD
7313 DAVANPORT ST
FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

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"Nov 26. 1959

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"I shall begin by answerign your question on why I and my fellow workers and communist's would like to see the present capitalist government of the U.S. overthrown.

"Do you remember the time you told me about the efforts of your milk company to form a union? Try to see why workers must form unions against their employers in the U.S. It is because the government supports an economic system which exploits all its workers, a system based upon credit which gives rise to the never ending cycle of depression, inflation, unlimited speculation (which is the phase America is in now) and war. In this system art, culture, and the spirit of man are subjected to commercial enterprising, religion and education are used as a tool to surpress what would otherwise be a population questioning their government's unfair economic system and plans for war. Science is neglected unless it can be directly used in making war or producing more profit for the owners of business's - these are some of the reasons. look around you, and look at yourself. See the Segregation, See the unemployed and what automátion is, remember how you were laided off at convair?

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"I will not say your grandchildren will live under communism, look for yourself at history, look at a world map! America is a dieing country, I do not wish to be a part of it, nor do I ever again wish to be used as a tool in its military agressions.

"This should answer your question, and also give you a glimpse of my way of thinking.

"So you speak of advantages. Do you think that is why I am here? For personal, material advantages? Happiness is not based on oneself, it does not consist of a small home, of taking and getting, Happiness is taking part in the struggle, where there is no borderline between one's own personal world, and the world in general I never believed I would find more material advantages at this stage of development in the Soviet Union than I might of had in the U.S.

"When I talked to a reporter I gave most of my reasons, however the story I found out later was badly slanted and left out my real reasons, the reporter was interested only in a colorful story. I have been a pro-communist for years and yet I have never met a communist, instead I kept silent and observed, and what I observed plus my Marxist learning brought me here to the Soviet Union. I have always considered this country to be my own.

"I left you out of the matter because I did not want to get you into any sort of trouble because of me, also this decision is one which I only could make and you would not have been able to understand me.

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"You say you have not renounced me, good I am glad, but I will tell you on what terms I want this arrangement.

"I want you to understand what I say now, I do not say lightly, or unknowingly, since I have been in the military as you know, and I know what war is like.

"1. In the event of war I would kill any American who put a uniform on in defence of the American government - any American

"2. That in my own mind I have no attachments of any kind in the U.S.

"3. That I want to, and I shall, live a normal happy and peaceful life here in the Soviet Union for the rest of my life.

"4. That my mother and you are (in spite of what the newspaper said) not objects of affection, but only examples of workers in the U.S.

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"I have no money problems at all. My situation was not nearly as stable then as it is now, I have no troubles at all now along that line.

"It is snowing here in Moscow now, which makes everything look very nice, from my hotel window, I can see the KREMLIN and Red Square and I have just finished a dinner of (myaso i kartoshki) meat and potatoes. So you see the Russians are not so different from you and I.

Lee

HOTEL METROPOL
RM 201 (New Room No.)
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RM 201 ← (New Room No.)
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R

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Dear Robert.

I will be moving from this hotel, and so you need not write me here.
I have chosen to remove all ties with my past, so I will not write again, nor
do I wish you to try and contact me, I'm sure you understand that I would
not like to receive correspondence from people in the country which I fled.
I am starting a new life and I do not wish to have anything to do with the
old life.

I hope you and your family will always be in good health.

Lee.

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Rec'd Dec 17, 1959

ME KAUHAPONE



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Robert Oswald
7313 Davenport St.
Fort Worth, Texas,
U.S.A.

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7313 Dawsonport St.
Fort Worth,
Texas
Mr. R. Oswald



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of Kowynne Melick
P.O. 4 No. 24
O'Fallon



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Dec 20

Dear Mother

Received today the third
package of books and magazines
in the last three weeks. Thanks
alot. I really do appreciate all
of your help.

I had better give you
my new address they just
changed the name of this
street so the address is

~~Ulica Komunist~~
Ulica Komunistyckaja
House 4 Apt 24

We still don't have any word about
our visa.

The Russian Embassy in Moscow
wrote me a letter and said they
think the Russians have to let
us go. I shall keep you informed
about what all of this means.

Love
The 20th

P.S. your news means
dear love and thanks for the news.

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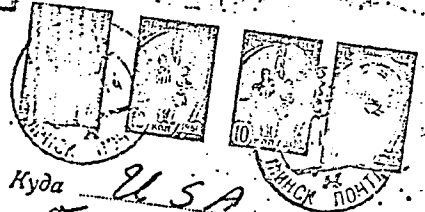
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Куда U.S.A.
Fort Worth, Texas
7313 Doverport St.

Кому Robert Oswald

МЕЖДУНАРОДНОЕ

Адрес отправителя Минск 22,
ул. Казимирца 4-24
И. Г. Освальд

С праздником!
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April 12

Dear Robert,

Well spring has finally come to
minsk with the snow melting and
above-freezing temperatures.

It looks like will be
leaving the country in April
on ship, only the American mails
is getting us up now. The Embassy is
on ship as the Russians were.
How is everything at the
house?

I got a letter from the Marine
Corps not too long ago, that I sent
them a request for a re-hearing
on my indefinite discharge and that
they would see to it with the US
after inquiry and they could contact
me through your address.

Now that winter is gone,
I really don't want to leave until
the beginning of fall, since the

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spring and summer here are so nice.
Mamma and Jack are all right.
June already weighs 11 lbs. or so.
She's real cute.

Mamma sends her "hello" to the
family. Lots about all for now.

Wife
J. C.

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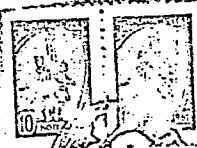
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7313 DAVANPORT ST.

MR. A. OSWALD



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Dear Robert

On the 24th of July I and my wife went into the museum early, I cannot write you what I said on this, because the Russians read all letters going in and out. But anyway of how the American Progress and we are doing everything we can to get out.

You don't know what a bad this is, I could write a book about how many factories have come and gone since the 19th.

The Russians can be cruel and very cruel at times. They give a cross examination to my wife on the first day we came here from Moscow, they threw everything because they were afraid and read the mails.

But we shall continue to try and get out. We shall not retreat. As for your package, we never received it, I suppose they were that tight handed.

I hope someday, I'll see you and take her up and when I come, I'll come with my wife, you can imagine how wonderful we are stood up.

White often
Yours
Bob

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P.S.
Maurice sends
his regards
to Vals and
you and the kids.

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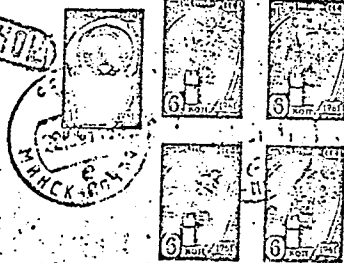
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TO - MR. A. Oswald

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Мушкет
ул. Кадетская
D. 4, K. B. 24
a.x. Osbelly

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Oct. 22, 1951

Dear Robert,

Well, I've been a month or
more since I've written and also a
long time since I've heard from you.

Our deal about the left
Union is still going on, something
is holding it up, mostly about
my wife since she is a Soviet
citizen. But as I see, it's hard
to get out of this place, in general.

Maria is with the city of "KHKOB,"
about 600 miles south east of Moscow.
On her vacation, she's living with
her aunt, we both agreed a change
of scenery was good for her, she
comes back on the 15th of November.

From "KHKOB" she sent me
a beautiful gold and silver cup
with the inscription "To my dear
Hubert on his birthday 12/7/51"

Very nice, Hubert, she is sweet.

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When is your birthday anyway
sometime in July isn't it?

How are the kids?

How is Vada doing?

Did you get my last letter with some
pictures of Mousie in it?

I think around New Year, if
I'm still unucky enough to be around
here, I'll call you on the telephone
O.K.?

How is the hunting out at the
farm? Still good I bet.

I got a letter from the Embassy
the other day, they are keeping in
touch as to developments with
the capit. vis.

Soon as Nov. 7-8 the big
revolutionary holidays will come off.
They'll be alot of red flag waving
and fireworks like on the 4th of July
in the States.

Well, that's about all for now. Write
your brother Bob soon.

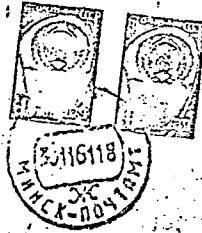
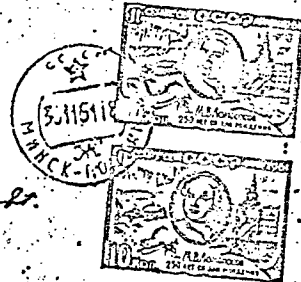
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7313 Dawsonport St.
Fort Worth
Texas
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D. 4, No 24
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Nov. 30, 1961

Dear Robert;

We sent you a package with a few little Christmas presents for everybody, you have already received the color books for Cathy. The package may be a little late you may not get it until about New Years. We sent the package only today.

We still haven't received any word about our visas.

Maria says that she can not wait until she gets to the U.S. and see's little Robert Jr.

If you like, you can send me a football (they only have second ones here) just deflate it and send it to me like a letter. Also you can pick up a few diagrams of ^{plans} at any filling station and send them along. Also several Russians seem interested in hearing how to play so I thought maybe you could help me out and together

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will show them a little bit of American
spirit.

Our head about the crisis is not
getting any better, and I think about
next year, I'll fly into Moscow, and
go to the Embassy about it.

As time goes on, our complaints, and
their inactivity, will bring things to a
head, and one side or the other will
break.

We sent you a can of a kind
of Russian candy, called "KHAMLA", its
made from grain and sugar. so when
you'll open the package you'll hear
its candy. I eat alot of it, if you
all like it, will send some more.

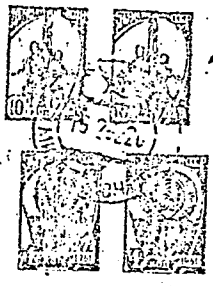
We'll send all this on about Dec 25
so you should receive it about
Christmas (I hope).

Your Brother
J. K.

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MINSK
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U.S.M.
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Mr. R. Sawald



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of Kaluzhka
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Feb. 15, 1962

Dear Robert,

Well, I have a daughter,
June Marina Oswald, 6 lbs. 2 oz.,
born Feb. 15, 1962 at 10.00 AM.
How about that?!

We are lucky to have a
little girl, don't you think?

But then you have a head
start on me, although I'll try
to catch up. Ha-ha

This makes you in luck,
Congratulations!

The chances of our coming
to the States are very good,
as I already told you, we received
the Soviet exit visas. I can leave
the country at any time. But
there are still formalities concerning
marina's entrance visa into the
U.S. These are granted by the
U.S. government, and they have

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assured me they are getting all the papers together (they are quite alot) and certified accepted.

How are things at your end? I heard over the voice of america that they released Powers to the U.S. spy plane fellow. That's big news where you are. I suppose we seemed to be a nice, bright, American type fellow, when I saw him in Moscow.

You wouldn't have any clippings from the Nov. 1959 newspapers of art. worth, would you?

I am beginning to get interested in just what they did say about me and my trip here.

The information might come in handy when I get back. I would hate to come back completely unprepared.

The American Embassy in Moscow has offered us a loan to pay for the price of the airline.

tickets, so we have nothing to
worry about temporary along that
line.

Have you heard from Picat
all, what's he doing now? still in
the air force do you know?
Well, I guess that's all
for now.

P.S. I received a letter from you
dated Jan. 3. I did not get it until
Feb. 5. The censors are so stupid
over here it sometimes takes them
a month to censor a letter before
letting it through.

Love to Vador, Cathy and
little Robert Jr. He and June will
stay together in quite a way.
Your brother
Bill

P.P.S. when writing to me
in future please include
your no. example number 29.
P.S. Colonel 2 KOMMUNISTECKI ST.
FOI Pictures House 4, apt. 24
OSWALD.

Dear Robert

Well, I just got back off
a short manure, the camp
conditions, the conditions are
still very, very good
forgetting.

How is the baby and how is
Mama?

Well, with soon I'll be getting
out of the camp and I know
what I want to do and
how I'm going to do it, which
I guess is the most important
thing in life.

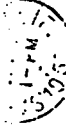
I know I haven't written
in along time please excuse me
Well, there really isn't too much
news here, but I would like
to hear from you and the family
Write soon

Yours Brother
Leslie



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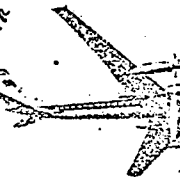
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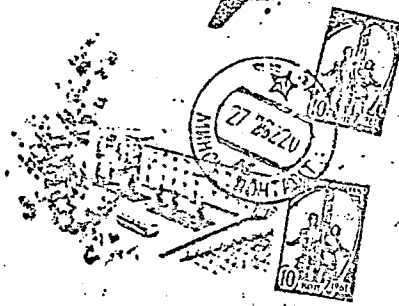
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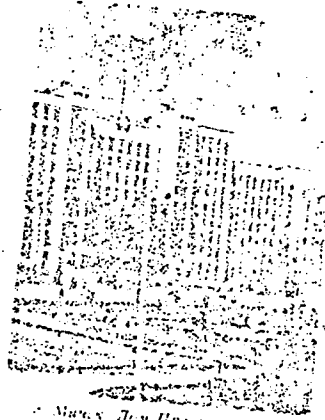
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Copy Mr. D. Oswald



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St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Dear Robert.

Received a letter from you
not too long ago dated Feb. 8.
I suppose by now you've received
my letter telling about the birth of
my daughter on Feb. 15th only in that
letter I said her name would be
June Marcia Oswald but we finally
registered her as June Lee Oswald
so that's that.

Marcia and June are both

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Donny well mania left the hospital
on Feb. 24th.

Will probably be in the States
in may since we want to visit
for little June to gain weight
and strenght.

In another month or so it'll
start to blow out here although
I suppose its already hot in Texas.
I heard a "voice of america" program
about the russians releasing POW's.
I hope they want going to try
him in the U.S. or anything.

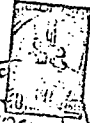
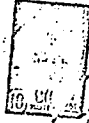
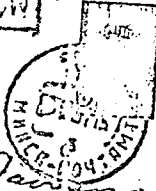
Thanks alot for your offer
of taking us in when we get back
to the state. Its a nice gesture
and I'll see about whether I'll
take you up on it or not, latts,
shots about all for now loves
to the family.

Lee
P.S. little June looks just like Robert Jr.
at 2 months

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Merry Christmases and
Happy New Year from
Lee and Marina
to Robert, Vada
Cathy and Robert Jr.
We wish you all good health.

March, '61

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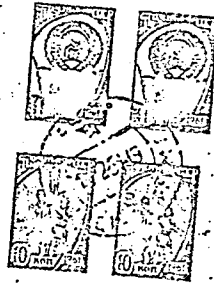
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Dec. 14, 1964

Dear Robert

Today I received your letter of
Nov. 23. I

First of all, I can confirm
what you thought about some
of your letters, I did not receive
any letter with "certain" questions.
It's quite possible they destroyed
it.

Did you get my letter about how
they took down the statue of Stalin?
And as you say, we hope the crisis
come through.

I got a package of books and
magazines today from Mother. It's very
interesting to read some of the
stories in "Time" about life and politics
in the U.S.S.R. most of the stories are
wrong, they are too uninformed.
I hope you get our little

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perhaps by Christmas. Maria worked
on those table napkins for Udo for
two weeks.

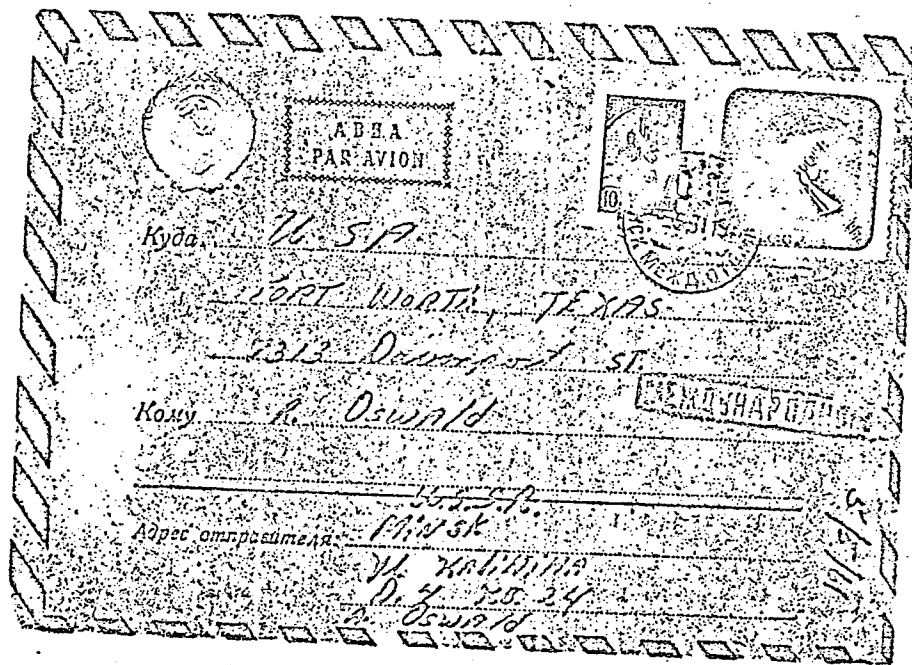
at the post office they did not
allow us to send some "KUMU" (candy)
they said it was "produce".

It's mighty cold here, about 10°
below zero, as far as I can tell.

The house is covered with
snow, but the pine trees and some greens
the river near our apartment house
is frozen now. We have a very good
view from our 4th floor window.

Well, that's about all for now,
Mexico sends love love, they waiting.

Jo



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Not too long ago I received a letter from mother but I lost the address. I would like you send it to me if you write.

Alle has a small plant near factory and are living nicely. General I have found the living conditions here to be good but there a lot of things still to be done. I hope to send you something soon like if you like. The Soviet Union is one of the most interesting things I have seen in my travels. I should try to visit in some time some time meet American tourist see especially in the summer. Well that about all for now. I to hear from you soon.

Regards to Mother and
Kitty.
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Dear Robert.

May 5 1945

It been a long time since I have written you, more than a year, alot has happened in that time.

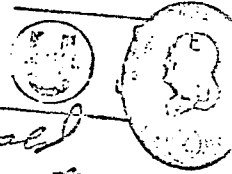
I am now living in the city of Minsk which is located about 70 miles SW of Moscow. Minsk is the capital city of the Soviet State of Belorussia.

I shall have been living here already a year and three months. I came to this in Minsk after I wrote my last letter to you. I have been working at the local radio-television plant as a technician.

On April 30 of this year I got married. My wife is twelve years old, she was born in the city of Stalingrad, which is the second largest city in the U.S.S.R., her parents are dead and she was living with her aunt and uncle here in Minsk when I first met her.

140 (old)
Box 2915
Dallas, Tex

Robert Oswald
7313 Davenport St.
St. Worth,
Tex



Nov. 17,

Dear Robert,

In answer to your kind
invitation for Thanksgiving
we'd love to come and will
be in St. Worth Thanksgiving
morning we shall come by
bus and let give you a
ring on the phone, from the
bus station, (about 9:00-10:00).

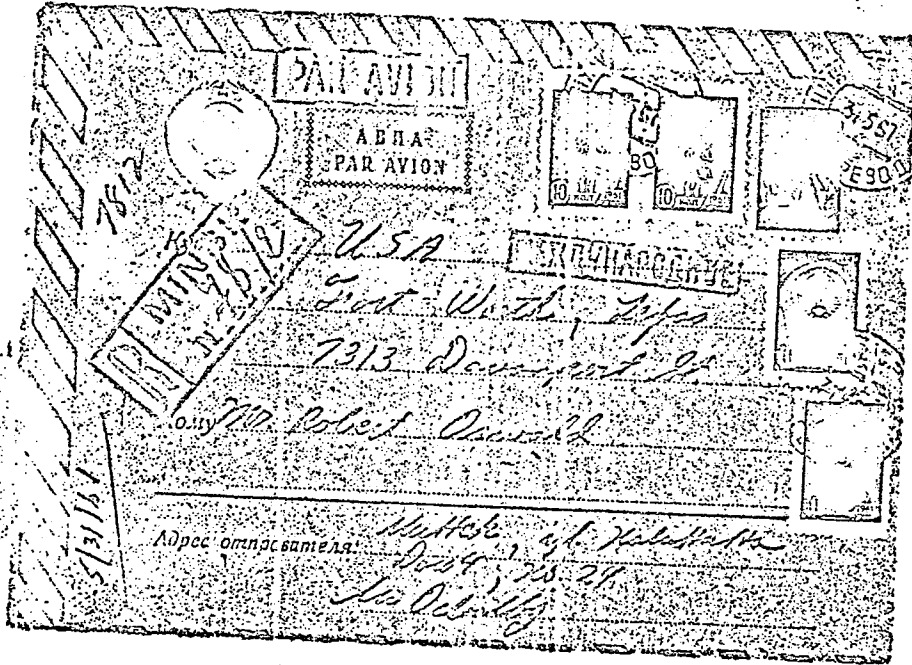
See you soon

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"May 31

"Dear Robert,

I was glad to hear from you, and really surprised that you have a new son, that really is great. congratulations to you and Vada.

"My wifes' name is Marina, I sorry I forgot to write it last time.

"Marina works in a pharmacy at one of the hospitals here. (almost all girls and women in the U.S.S.R. have some kind of profession and work at it.) She sends her regards to you and Vada and the kids.

"I'm glad you have a good job and are thinking about the future. My work here is also not too bad, but in the USSR there is no unemployment so a job is not an exceptional thing.

"There's nothing you can send me, thanks anyway, maybe you could send something, real small to Marina as a sort of wedding present I think she would get a kick out of something coming from the states. and let of have some pictures of the new baby, I still have Cathey's picture, but I guess she is all grown up by now. Also a picture of the house, since here 90% of living is done in apartment houses, like we have, they are comfortable, but still a house is a home.

"I can't say wether I will ever get back to the States or not, if I can get the government to drop charges against me, and get the Russians to let me out with my wife, then maybe I'll be seeing you again, But, you know it is not simple for either of those two things. So I just can't say for now. I am in touch with the American Embassy in Moscow so if anything comes up I'll know.

"Well, thats about all for now, say hello to Robert Lee Jr. for me.

"Your Brother

"Lee

"(I send a thousand thanks for your good wished. I am very glad to be a member of the family. I congrantlate you adn your wife on the birth of a son. I wish you and yours good health and happiness for all of you, forever) Sincerly Marina Oswald"

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Embassy in Moscow. so if anything
comes up I'll know.
Well, that's about all for now.
My hello to Robert Lee Jr. for me.

Your Brother
Lee

Почтено мною тысячу благодарностей
за поздравления. Я очень счастлива
знать о благополучии Вашей семьи. Поздрав-
ляю Вас и Вашу жену с рождением
сына. Желаю много здоровья и
счастья Вам и Вашим детям.
Искренне Мария Освальд.

(I send a thousand thanks for
your good wishes. I am very glad to
be a member of the family and congratu-
late you and your wife on the birth
of a son. I wish you and your good
health and happiness for all of you, forever.)
Sincerely, Maria Oswald

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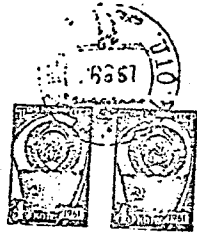
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Fort Worth, Texas
7313 Dawsonport St.
Robert Oswald



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ул. Кабулхатра
Дом 4, №24
А. И. Соболев



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"June 26

"Dear Robert.

"Recived your letter yesterday and was glad to hear from you and we were very interested in the pictures. Marina says you don't look very much like me in the picture, but I told her we look like two peas in a pot.

"I assume the goverment must have a few charge's against me, since my coming here like that is illigle. But I really don't know exacly what charges.

"In a few days you should get a package from us. I'm sorry It shall be so modest. we bought some perfume and other stuff but the post office would not except them because they are brekable.

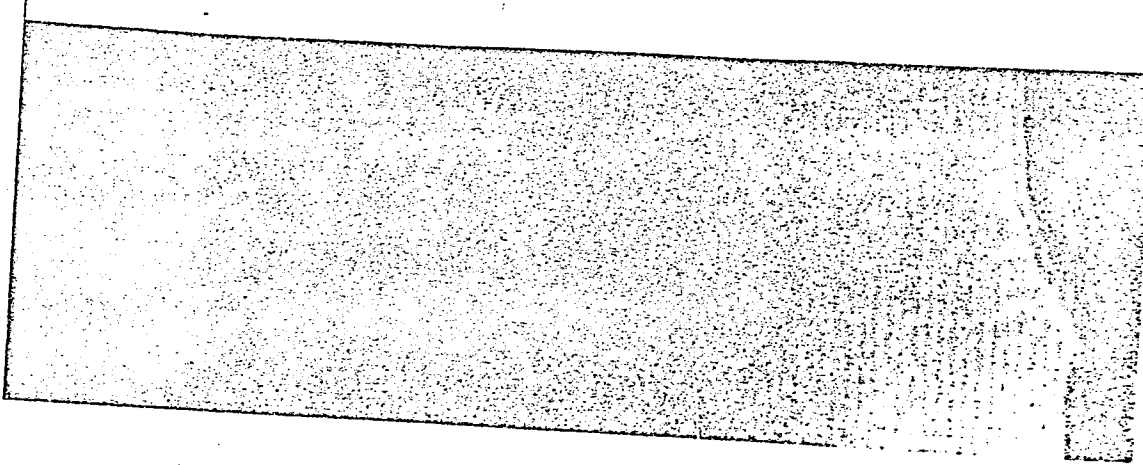
"I see you have a new car It sure is nice looking. What kind is it? a ford? when did you get it?

"Marina says she would like to see america and meet you. and the family.

"I recived a letter from Ma. yesterday she is working on a ranch in Cromwell Texas. Do you see her?

"Well thats all for now.

"Lee



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and was glad to hear from you and we
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It sure is nice looking. What
kind is it? a Ford? When did
you get it?

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to see America and meet you and
the family.

I received a letter from ma.

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in Cromwell Texas. Do you see
her?

Well that's all for now.

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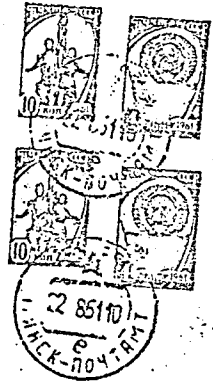
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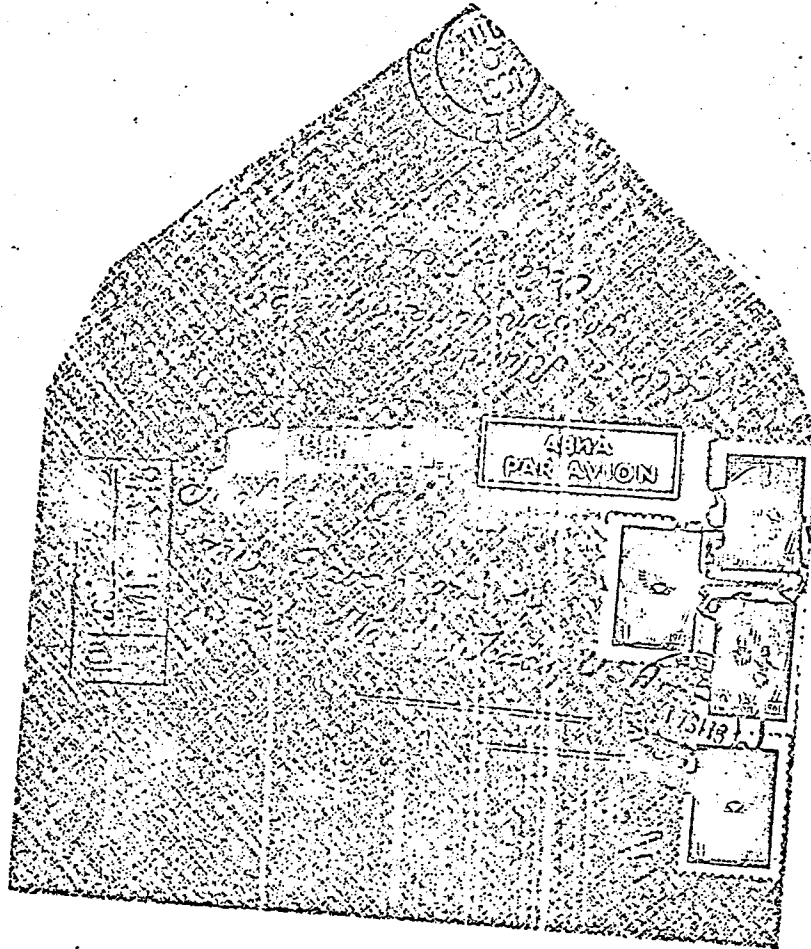
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July 28.
Dear Vada and Robert

Today we received your gift
and I am very glad to have such
a nice present. I like the necklace
very much.

Thank you for your thoughtful-
ness. Earlier we received your photogra-
phs of little Robert. It is a very
cute lot. It is surprising such
a thin and delicate woman can have
such fine and healthy children.

Now a little about ourselves.
We are getting ready to see you
and your children. I hope it
shall be soon.

To the near meeting,
With best wishes,

Maeve

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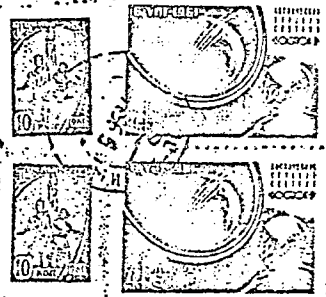
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Sept 10, 1962

Dear Robert,

Well, apparently I was too optimistic in my last letter, since you say you thought I would be coming so soon.

The Russians are holding me up, and are giving me some trouble about the visas, so for now I can only wait. In general for an ordinary Russian, it's impossible to leave the USSR, simply because he wants to. However, I and my wife have the possibility because of the fact I am still an American citizen and have the U.S. passport.

My Russian documents are good only until Jan. 4, 1962, therefore you can expect that they will let me go before that date, since I will not extend the length of time on these documents after Jan. 4, 1962.

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however, the Russians have been known
to hold people, against international
law, and against their wills,
but as I say, "time will show."
Mama did not write the letter
herself, but the words were her's.
I only translated them into English.
Mama doesn't know any English
at all, and at home we always
speak Russian.

Robert Lee sounds like he
is growing into a fine boy and
Cathy is also quite a grown up
little lady, already 7 years old,
It hardly seems possible, I
remember when mother phoned me
to say she was born, on Aug 22nd or 23rd,
I was in Calif, we were getting
ready to leave for Japan, and we
didn't leave a few days ~~later~~ later.
Cathy has changed since then!!
Well I hope everything is alright

and your back isn't giving you
any more trouble. keep writing
Your Brother
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Enclosed are some
pics of Minnie.

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Nov. 20, 1961

Dear Robert;

Rec'd your short letter today,
glad to hear from you & noticed
you seemed to be worried about whether
we are receiving each others letters
and whether we can write each
other in the future, by all means
keep writing & think we get
all of each others letters, the
Tape 12-14 ¹⁹⁶⁰ from you to me.

There is still no word
on our spit vials.

We bought some childrens
books for Cathy for Christmas,
and I'll be sending them along
in a few days, you should receive
them in a few weeks. We left
air in Russian, but I'm sure she'll
enjoy the pictures.

It's already four months since
we put in our request for a visit, it

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gives you an idea how slow they can
be. What with our going to have a
holiday in March, it's not going to be
so convenient to come back to the
States and try to start life over again.

I'll bet about \$200.00 to fly
from Moscow to New York for two people,
I don't have that much money, but I'm
hoping that the Embassy will help
us but under we get out visas.

We have had our first snow
here on Nov. 16 now everything will
be white until about April 15.

Masha asks Vada to send
her a few fashion magazines every
now and then if possible.

Why don't you send me your
shoe size, and I'll see about sending
you some Russian boots they are
black, high like riding boots in
the States. Maybe you can cut a
piece of cardboard or string to show

we your sign in business
size would be (17)
Well that's about all for now
Mama sends greeting to all the
family; you, Vada, Libby and Robert
Write soon
Lee

DEAR ROBERT. 1947
 Well, nothing new to report on our move. We are just waiting for the Embassy to finish up their paper work. They are very slow. June is getting a bit big and cute she's only 3 months old now. Mamma says "Hello" and we are all well. See you soon.

MEXICAN AIR MAIL
 DOR AVION
 TOBAM KAPTOCHA
 K.S. MEXICO
 U.S.A.
 7313. Downtown St.
 Dallas, Texas
 Mr. Young
 Dallas, Texas

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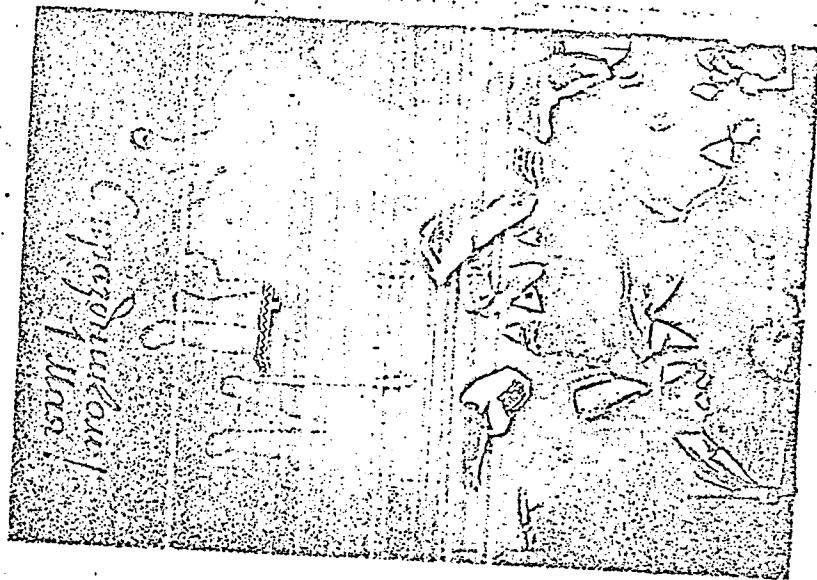
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Dear Robert
 for the new address
 you can write to: Box 2915
 Dallas, Texas
 also please stop by the house
 and collect my mail which may
 have come in before
 the post office had a chance
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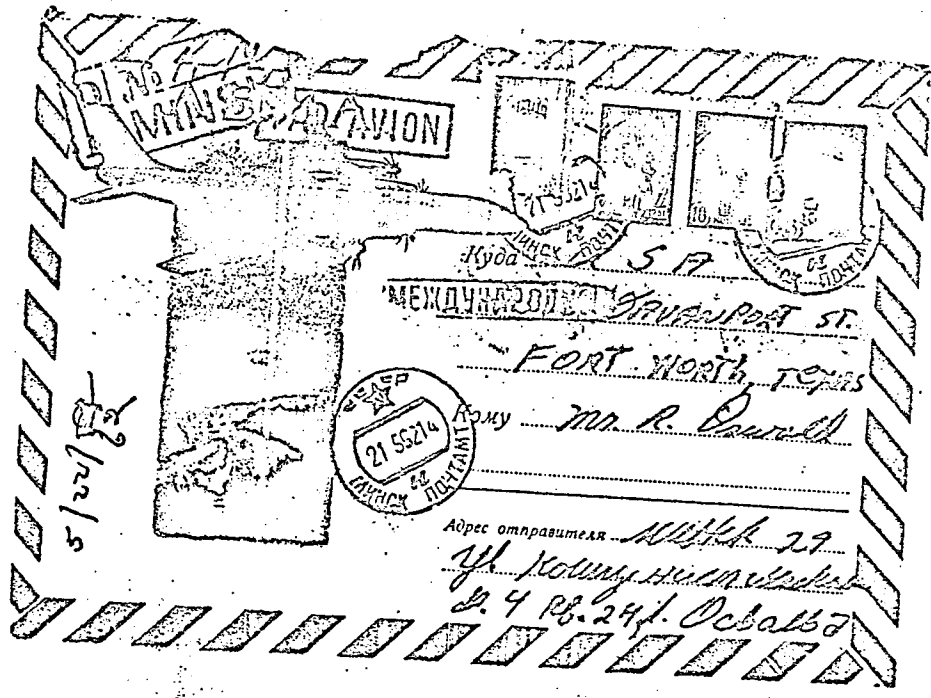
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7313 DAWANPORT ST.
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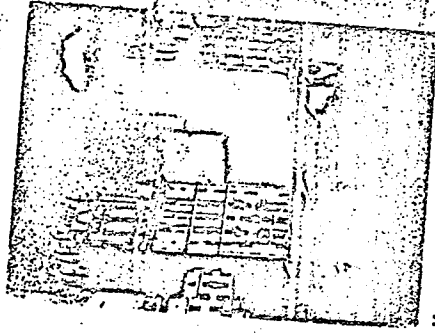
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Ул. Коммунистическая

д. 4 кв. 24/1. Октябрь

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Минск. Приказная палата

Dear Robert,

Went with my family to the U.S. Embassy in Moscow tomorrow and will be 10-14 days in London and then leave for England, where we will board a ship for America. The transatlantic trip will take another two weeks so all in all will be another month before we will arrive in America probably in New York. Will inform you as soon as we arrive. This will be a very nice

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On case you hear about our coming
on the newspapers lies about it
(I hope they won't), I want to
run you not to make any
comment whatsoever about us. None at all!!
I know what was said about me when
I left the U.S. as Twitley sent me some
clippings from the newspapers, however
I realize that it was just the shock of
news which made you say all these
things. However let just assume you
don't want to make any statements or
commitments if you are approached by
the newspapers, between now and the
time we actually arrive in the U.S.
Hope to see you soon. Thinking of you
and yours
Tom Crossley

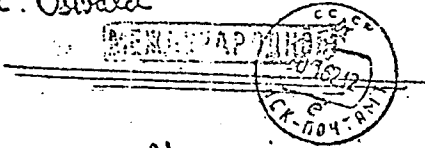
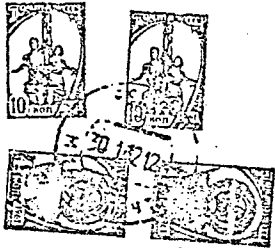
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January 30, 1962

Dear Alex,

Well, I haven't heard from you for quite awhile either you're not writing or your letters aren't getting through to me.

I told you in my last letter that we have finally been granted split visas for leaving the Soviet Union will probably be in the states in the spring.

You once said that you asked around about whether or not the U.S. government had any charges against me, you said at that time "no", maybe you should ask around again, it's possible now that the government knows in coming they'll have something waiting. Mother wrote me a letter the other day in which she informed me that the Marine Corps had given me a dishonorable discharge in Nov. 1959.

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Marina sends her love to all,

I do hope to see you all soon

I really don't know where we'll settle
I'd sort of like New Orleans.

How's the hunting out at the farms?
How the weather, and all?

If you find out any information
about me, please let me know, I'd like
to be ready on the draw so too speak
we'll keep writing until we
get ready to leave so don't quit
writing

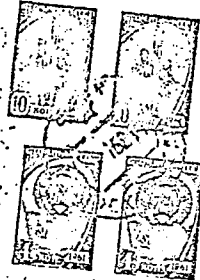
Your Brother,
John Marina

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Jan 5, 1962

Dear Bob,

Well, I've been told that
we'll get our crisis about the 13th of
February if everything goes quickly.
If we do get our crisis we
should arrive in the U.S. before
the 1st of March. All of this
of course, my change anyway
the Soviet's like it in a large
we spent the New Year
at some friends place, I had
wanted to call you on New
Years Eve, but since they are
going to start our crisis soon
I thought I'd wait a month
or so and maybe we'll get
to see each other.

I really do not trust these
people, and I shall visit until I'm
in the U.S. before I become overjoyed
It's quite cold here, about

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10 lebre glass
we saw 3, 4 tanks
alot for the night
when we had
leave by plane
I really had
to be back
Write soon

Yours
[Signature]

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Lee H. Oswald
P.O. Box 2915
Dallas, Texas



Robert Oswald
Route 5, Box 140
Malheur,
Ore.

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March 15

Dear Robert;

Received your letter today and was surprised to hear you have moved and put the house up for sale, of course, its always better to take advantage of your chances as they come along as I'm glad for you.

Well, how is everyone adjusting to the new city? I've never been to Ark. as I don't now how it looks but some how I get the impression it must be something like Belarussia, pine forest ect., my ma says where there are pine forest, the air is very good, which will be good for the kids;

June he was a year old in Ark. and is growing very quickly

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she has several teeth set, but
I don't have to tell you how they
grow.

My work is very nice, & will
get a nice one pay next month, and
I have become rather adept at
my photographic work. it is
very interesting for me.

How's Pic? what's the latest
word from him?

I think it would be very
nice to visit you, if some
time we can come will try to
make it.

we don't have a phone, and
we have moved to this new apartment
just march 2nd so it would be
better for you to write me at P.O.
Box since I shall always have
it.

well, write soon
maybe send some pictures
of the scenery. Love
Lee

Aug 21, 1911

Dear Pearl

I got your letter today
in which you say you felt
sorry about my glad to hear
we will send you mail

Although I did not say
anything about the picture of
Robert Jr, we did advise them,
saying you get a "thank you"
note from Maria for the
pictures and also for those
pictures of Jr?

We had for me to tell
whether you get all my letters,
they have a lot of candy here

I went hunting last
week end, we have a lot of pine
forest here, & shot a couple
of birds with my single barrel
16 gauge shotgun, but I couldn't
find them.

The weather is cloudy & sunny
to winter here, the sun is
is very hot in the afternoon

I received a package from
mother a few days ago. It was
in a box and containing
of laundry soap (which I use
for) and also of a
she is real good to me
well, that about all for
now. Write of how you to wish on
side, see