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Dear Mr. Weishery

I am writing in response to your recent request for material under the Freedom of Information Act.

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- ()Our search has revealed classified information 3. relevant to your request which originated in Your request has accordingly been referred to today and you will hear from them in due course.

() 4. Our search has revealed no information relevant to your request.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Strawberry Freedom of Information Staff Bureau of Public Affairs

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In one of the bitternest exchanges on record batween Cubs and Mexico since Cestro came to power, the two Covernments clashed last week over the investigation conducted by Mexican police into the activities of President Kennedy's suspected esseasing las Marver OSWAID, while he was in Mexico from September 26 to October 3. Mexican Foreign Minister Fello announced on November 28 that the Mexican Ambessedor to Cubs had been instructed to return as "unacceptable" the Cuban Covernment's note of November 26 which had protested the action of Mexican police in questioning an employee of the Cuban Consulate in Mexico City, Senora Silva DURAM, about Oswald's application for a Cuban transit vise.

Navy Official says Visits by Muchaer Vessels Frohibited - Vice Admiral Oliverio F. GROZCO Vela, Suc-Secretary of the Navy, told the press on November 23 that nuclear powered ships will not be permitted to dock in Mexican ports nor to enter Mexican territorial waters until international agreements covering all possible risks are reached. The principal reason given by the Admiral for this stand was the incalculable campe to ports in case of accident, a risk which insurance companies have refused to cover for these vessels. It is not yet clear whether Admiral Grozco's statement constitutes a formal policy decision on the part of the Government, as no other official has yet commented on this issue publicly or privately to Embassy officers. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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May 10, 1962

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Director of Naval Intelligence, Attn.: Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Department of the Navy, Washington 25, D. C.

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John Noonan, Chief, Records and Services Branch, For the Director, Office of Security.

SUBJECT: OSWALD, Lee Harvey

This is in reply to your cited memorandum, and previous, concerning the Subject: April 26, 1962, OP-921E2/cn, SER 8128P92.

The Passport Office, with jurisdiction in this matter, has advised as follows:

"On the basis of the evidence and information of record in the case, it is considered that Mr. Oswald, who was born at New Orleans, Louisiana on October 18, 1939, has not expatriated himself under the pertinent laws of the United States."

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	Pic asked that Embassy inform him of any developments about Lee Oswald and requested that Embassy Moscow if possible transmit to him following message: "Please reconsider your intentions. Contact me if possible. Love. (Signed) John".
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FROM Amembassy MOSCOW

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November 2, 1959

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THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON

SUBJECT CITIZENSHIP: Lee Harvey OSWALD

Mr. Lee Earvey OSWALD, an American citizen, appeared at this Embassy October 31, 1959 and stated to Second Secretary Richard E. Snyder that he wishes to renounce his American citizenship and that he had applied to become a citizen of the Soviet Union. He presented to the interviewing officer his passport and the following signed, undated, handwritten statement, the original of which is retained by the Embassy (misspellings are as in original):

"I Lee Harey (cq) Oswald do hereby request that my present citizenship in the United States of america, be revoked.

"I have entered the Soviet Union for the express purpose of appling for citizenship in the Soviet Union, through the means of naturalization.

"My request for citizenship is now pending before the Surprem Soviet of the U.S.S.R.

"I take these steps for political reasons. My request for the revoking of my American citizenship is made only after the longest and most serious considerations.

"I affirm that my allegiance is to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

s/ Lee H. Oswald

Oswald is the bearer of Passport No. 1733242, issued September 10, 1959 (retained at the Embassy). The passport shows that he was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, on October 18, 1939, and gives his occupation as "shipping export agent". Oswald gave his last address in the United States as that of his mother at 4936 Collinwood Street, Fort Worth, Texas. A telegram subsequently received at the Embassy for him indicates that a brother, Robert L. Oswald, resides at 7313 Devenport, Fort Worth, Texas. He stated that he was discharged from the U.S. Marine Corps on September 11, 1959. Highest grade achieved was corporal. Oswald evidently applied for his passport to the Agency at San Francisco while still in service. He stated that he had contemplated the action which he took for about two years before his discharge. He departed from the United States through New Orleans with the intent of traveling to the Soviet Union through Northern Europe. He states that he first applied for a Soviet tourist visa in Helsinki on October 14,

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that he applied for Soviet citizenship by letter to the Supreme Soviet on October 16 in Moscow. He stated that he did not mention his intent to remain in the Soviet Union to the Soviet Embassy in Helsinki at the time of his visa application.

Throughout the interview Oswald's manner was aggressive, arrogant, and uncooperative. He appeared to be competent. He insisted that he did not wish to waste time in discussion or answering questions concerning his "personal" affairs beyond what was directly related to divesting himself of his American citizenship. He was contemptuous of any efforts by the interviewing officer in his interest, made clear that he wanted no advice from the Embassy. He stated that he knew the provisions of U. S. law on loss of citizenship and declined to have them reviewed by the interviewing officer. In short he displayed all the airs of a new sophomore party-liner.

Oswald gave as the "principal reason" for his decision that "I am a marxist", but declined any further elaboration of his motives. However, other remarks bearing on his attitude were made during the interview. At one point he alluded to hardships endured by his mother as a "worker" and stated that he did not intend to have this happen to him. He also referred to himself several times as a "worker", but admitted that he had never held a civilian job, having entered the Marine Corps directly from junior year of high school. (He claimed to have completed high school while in service.) He stated that his service in Okinawa and elsewhere "gave me a chance to observe 'American imperialism.'" At another point he reacted sensitively when asked, in connection with his rank in the Marine Corps, whether he felt he should have had a higher grade.

Oswald categorically refused to discuss his family beyond stating that he was not married and that he has a mother in Texas. He had obliterated the address written on the inside cover of his passport and steadfastly refused to give any last home address until it was elicited by the "threat" that nothing could be done about his request to renounce his citizenship without this information. After giving the address noted above, he then confirmed that it was his mother's address. He would not say whether he had informed his mother and rebuffed any suggestion of concern for her.

Oswald offered the information that he had been a radar operator in the Marine Corps and that he had voluntarily stated to unnamed Soviet officials that as a Soviet citizen he would make known to them such information concerning the Marine Corps and his speciality as he possessed. He intimated that he might known something of special interest.

Oswald is presently residing in non-tourist status at the Metropole Hotel in Moscow awaiting the Soviet response to his application for citizenship. As his Soviet visa and militia registration expired on October 22, 1959, and have not been renewed, he is patently in a technically illegal residence status with the tacit consent of the Soviet authorities.

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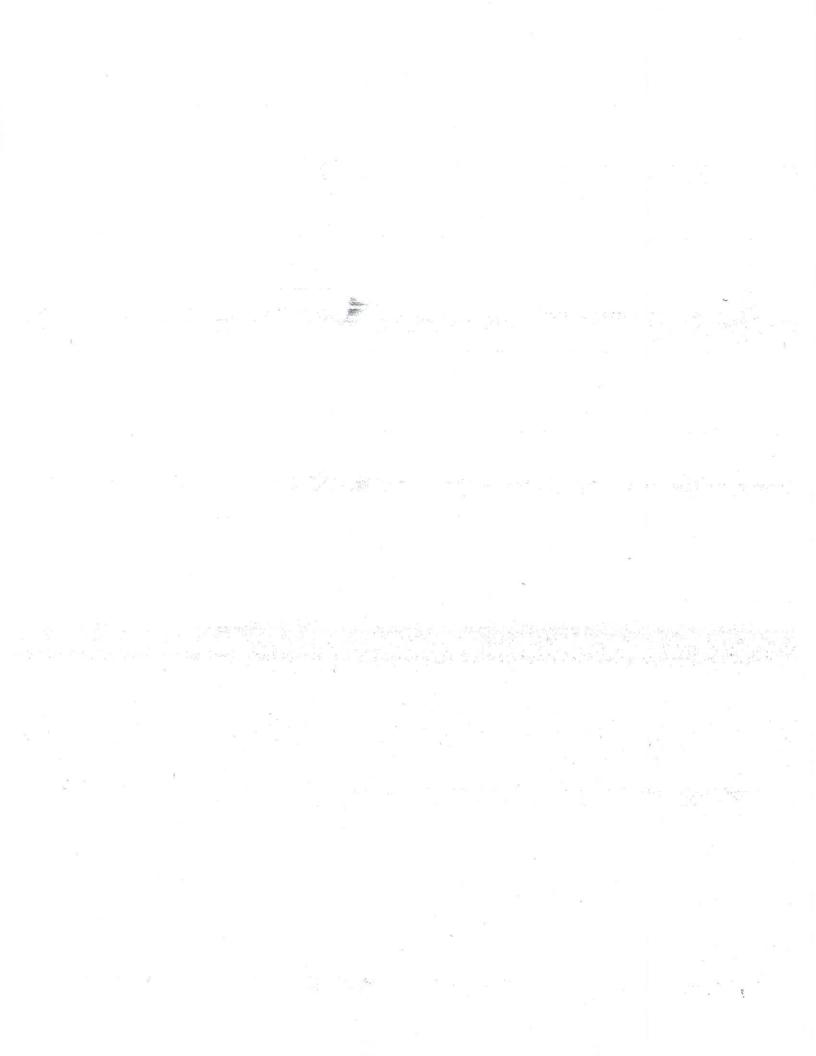
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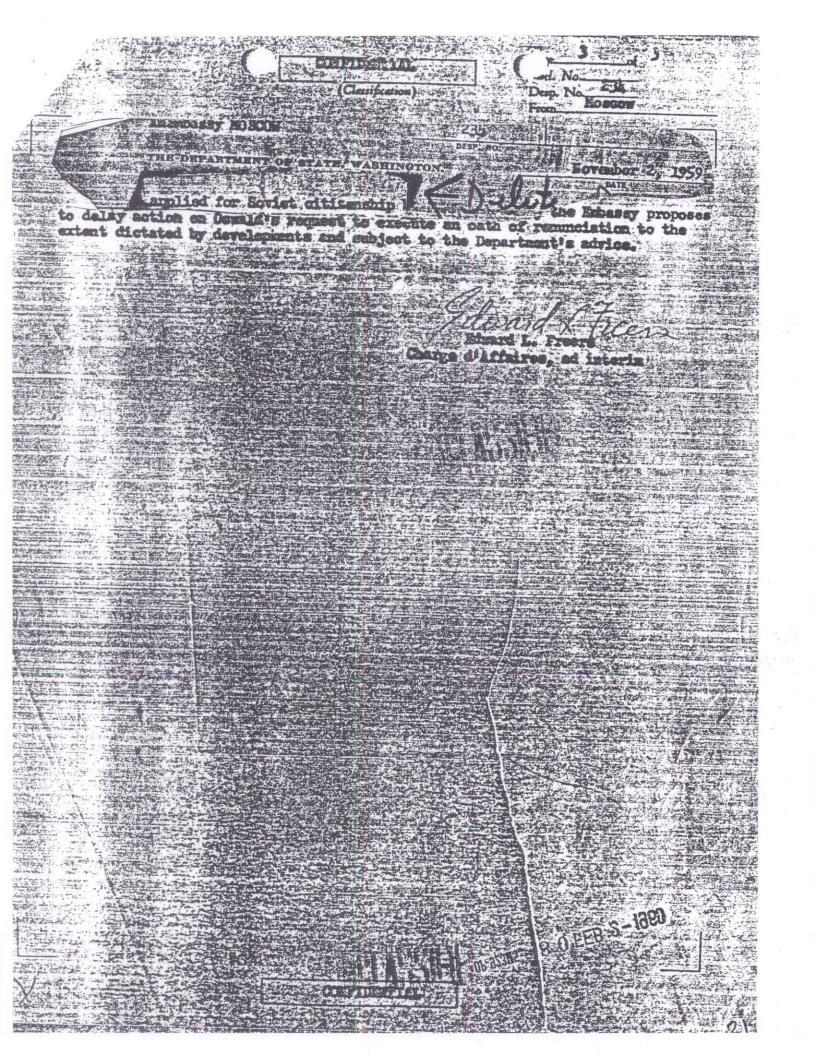
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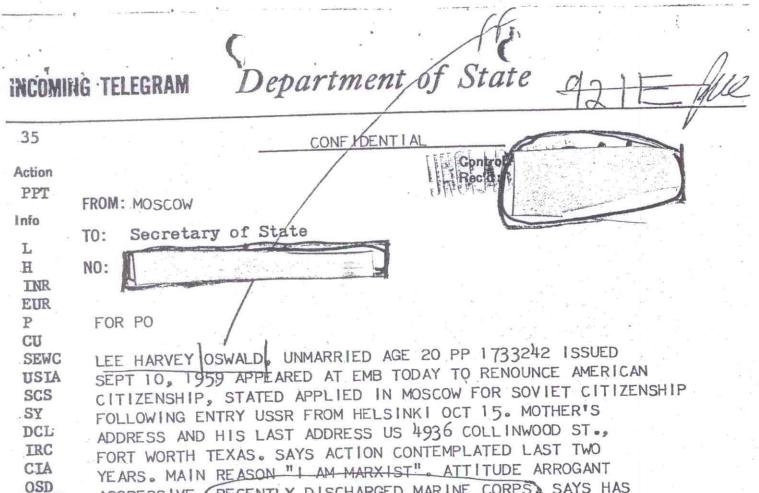


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Otto F. Otopka, For the Director, Office of Security

OSWALD, Los Earvey

REFERENCE :

CB Your Memorandum dated Docomber 28, 1961

Please advise if there has been a change in the Subject's citizenship status, and furnish any other information which might be of assistance to the Navy in considering his case.

Please have the two enclosures returned with your

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Supplementary to the reference, there is enclosed a copy of ONI letter of April 26, with copy of its attachment, concerning the subject.

As ONI has again requested information on Oswald's citizenship status, it will be appreciated if you can advise as soon as possible so that an appropriate reply may be

ONI letter dated April 26, 1962 W/enclosure

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS WASHINGTON 25. D. C. IN REPLY REFER TO 0p-92172/jus Ser 2236P92 12 APR 1960 Director of Naval Intelligence From: District Intelligence Officer, MINTH Neval District To: OSWALD, Lee Harvey, 1853230, PFC, USMCR (Inactive) (U) Subj: (1) Copy of CMC spiltr DX->PV of 9 Mar 1960 re subj Marine Encl: (2) Hq, USAF Conf ltr ser 33-26125 of 17 Dec 1959, Subj: FIC, John ..., SGGT, USAF, w/encl and newspaper clipping (3) Four newspaper clippings re subj (4) ALUSNA MOSCOW msg dtg 1308002 Nov 1959 (5) John E. (6) Amemb MOSCON Foreign Service Despatch no. 234 of 2 Nov 1959, Subj: CITIZENSHIP: Lee Harvey OSMAID (7) ALUSNA MOSCO! mag dtg 0312152 Nov 1959 (3) DNI msg dtg 122101/ Nov 1959 (9) ALUSNA MOSCON msg NO DTG/10 MOY 59 (12) Dept State Telegram from Tokyo no. 1448 of 9 Nov 1959 (11) CNO msg dtg 041529Z Nov 1957 (12)_ONI (Op-921D1) Memo for File of 2 Nov 1959, same subj (13) Dept State Telegram from Moscow no. 1304 of 31 Oct 19597 1. Enclosures (1) through (13) are forwarded for information. 2. The Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps has advised the Office of Naval Intelligence that OSNALD is currently on inactive duty in the J. S. Marine Corps Reserve, attached to the Marine Air Reserve Training Command, U. S. Naval Air Station, Glenview, Illinois. 3. The Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps has requested that the Commander, Marine Air Reserve Training Command, U. S. Naval Air Station, Clenview,

Tilinois be apprised of the intelligence documentation on OSMAID on a priority basis.

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NTELLIGENCE STRIC NINTH NAVAL DISTRICT ND9:005E:LC:AS Ser: 0 CONFIDENTIAL UNCLASSIFIFD WHEN ENCLOSURE (3) REMOVED Officer in Charge, District Intelligence Office From: NINTH Naval District, Chicago 7, Illinois Commander, Marine Air Reserve Training, Naval Air Station, To: Glenview, Illinois (ATTN: G-2) , hise Subj: OSWALD, Harvey Lee, PFC, 1653230, USMCR (U) (a) MARTCOM 1tr 20:MLH/aeg 5520 of 20 Jun 1960 Ref: Encl: (1) Cy of CMC spdltr DK-MPV of 8 Mar 1960 re subj (2) Hq, USAF Copf ltr ser 33-26125 of 17 Dec 1959, subj: PIC John E. (3) Four newspaper clippings re subj 4 (4) ALUSNA MOSCOW msg 130800Z Nov 1959 L BUUDAA MUUCAT ANGULA (5) -0-DNI mag dtg 122101Z Nov 1959 (6) Amemb MOSCOW Foreign Service Despatch no. 234 of 2 Nov 1959, subj: CITIZENSHIP: Lee Harvey OSWALD (7), ALUSNA MOSCOW msg 031215Z Nov 1959 (8) DNI msg 122101Z Nov 1959 (9) ALUSNA MOSCOW msg NO DTG/10 Nov 59 (10) Dept State Telegram from Tokyo no. 1448 of 9 Nov 1952 (11) CNO msg 041529Z Nov 1959 -(12) ONI (Op-921D1) Memo for File of 2 Nov 1959, s/s (13) Dept State Telegram from Moscow no. 1304 of 31 Oct 1959 1. In compliance with the request contained in reference (a), enclosures (1) through (13) are forwarded for information and any action deemed appropriate.

2. The information forwarded herewith is sensitive in character, and its security must be preserved by carefully safeguarding its existence and source, as well as the names of any informants mentioned therein. In no case shall these reports be shown to any unauthorized person, nor shall copies be made of them, nor shall the Office of Naval Intelligence be mentioned in connection with any action taken on the basis of this information.

3. Prompt return of enclosures (1) through (13) is requested. The Officer in Charge, District Intelligence Office, Ninth Naval District should be advised of the necessity for retaining this material more than thirty days.

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ND9:005B:LC:28 Ser: 0 Officer in Charge, District Intelligence Office From: 301.07 1960 NINTH Naval District, Chicago 7, Illinois Officer in Charge, District Intelligence Office To: EIGHTH Naval District Subj OSWALD, Lee Harvey, 1653230, EX-PFC, USMCR (1) Cy of CMC spdltr DK-MPV of 8 Mar 1960 rs subj Encl (2) Hq, USAY Conf ltr ser 33-26125 of 17 Dec 1959, subj: PIC, John E. (3) Four newspaper clippings re subj (4) ALUSNA MOSCOW msg 130800 Z Nov 1959 (5) DNI mag dtg 1221012 Nov 1959 MA MOOCHEL MAR MO DITC/10 MON 59 (6) Amend MOSCON Foreign Service Despatch no. 234 of 2, Nov 1959 subj: CITIZENSHIP: Lee Harvey OSWALD (7) ALUSNA MOSCOW mag 031215Z Nov 1959 DEC - 5 1500 (8) DNI msg 122101Z Nov 1959 OP921D (9) ALUSNA MOSCOW mag NO DIG/10 Nov 59 (10) Dept State Telegram from Tokyo no. 1448 of 9 Nov 1959 (11) CNO mag 041529Z Nov 1959 (12) ONI (Op-921D1) Memo for File of 2 Nov 1959, s/s (13) Dept State Telegram from Moscow no. 1304 of 31 Oct 1959 (14) OSI Conf inv rpt DO#46 of 27 Jan 1960, subj: John Edward PIC, SSGT, AF, USAF (less encls) 1. The District Intelligence Office, Ninth Naval District, has been advised that subject was given an undesirable discharge from the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve on 17 August 1960. His home address, as of 20 July 1959, is listed as 3124 West 5th Street, Fort Worth, Texas. 2. Enclosures (1) through (14), which represent subject's intelligence file, are forwarded for information and retention. C. LOCHIS. Jr. Declassified/Downgrade to Copy to: DNI (less encls) Auth: MARTCOM, G-2 (less encls) C7-921E DEC 1 5 1960 1 46 DECK .