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PRESIDENT OF THE INFORMATION COUNCIL OF THE AMERICANS (INCA), THE CARL  
ERINGUIER, A CUBAN REFUGEE AND OBVIOUSLY ANTI-  
CASTRO. MR. OSWALD AS YOU MIGHT HAVE IMAGINED IS ON THE HOT SEAT  
TONIGHT. I BELIEVE TOO BILL STUCKEY HAVE A QUESTION.

STUCKEY: MR. OSWALD I BELIEVE YOU SAID IN REPLY TO A QUESTION OF  
MR. BUTLER'S THAT ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND WERE EXTRANEIOUS  
TO DISCUSSION TONIGHT. I DISAGREE BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT  
YOU'RE REFUSING TO REVEAL ANY OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR  
ORGANIZATION SO YOU ARE THE FACE OF THE FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA  
COMMITTEE IN NEW ORLEANS. THEREFORE ANYBODY WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED  
IN THIS ORGANIZATION OUGHT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU.

FOR THIS REASON I'M CURIOUS TO KNOW JUST HOW YOU SUPPORTED YOURSELF  
DURING THE THREE YEARS THAT YOU LIVED IN THE SOVIET UNION. DID  
YOU HAVE A GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY?

OSWALD: ER, WELL, AS I ER, WELL, I WILL ANSWER THAT QUESTION  
DIRECTLY THEN AS YOU WILL NOT REST UNTIL YOU GET YOUR ANSWER ER,  
I WORKED IN RUSSIA ER, IS WAS ER UNDER THE PROTECTION ER, OF THE ER,  
THAT IS TO SAY I WAS NOT UNDER PROTECTION OF THE AMERICAN  
GOVERNMENT BUT AS I WAS AT ALL TIMES ER, CONSIDERED AN AMERICAN  
CITIZEN. I DID NOT LOST MY AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP.

SLATTER: DID YOU SAY THAT YOU WANTED TO AT ONE TIME THOUGH?  
OR WHAT HAPPENED:

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OSWALD: WELL IT'S ALONG DRAWN OUT SITUATION ER, WITH PERMISSION  
TO LIVE IN THE SOVIET UNION BEING GRANTED TO A FOREIGN RESIDENT  
IS RARELY GIVEN ER, THIS CALLS FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF  
TECHNICALITY, TECHNICAL PAPERS AND SO FORTH, ER, AT NO TIME AS I  
SAY I WAS ER, DID I RENOUNCE MY CITIZENSHIP OR ATTEMPT TO  
RENOUNCE MY CITIZENSHIP OR AT NO TIME WAS I OUT OF CONTACT WITH  
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY.

(IN WASHINGTON, THE MARINE CORPS SAID THE UNDESIREABLE  
DISCHARGE GIVEN OSWALD WAS A RESULT OF OSWALD'S RENUNCIATION OF  
HIS U. S. CITIZENSHIP. AND IN WASHINGTON, SEN. JOHN TOWER, R-TEX.,  
YESTERDAY MADE PUBLIC A LETTER HE RECEIVED FROM OSWALD IN THE  
SOVIET UNION IN EARLY 1962 SEEKING TOWER'S AID IN GETTING PERMISSION  
TO RETURN TO THE U. S.)

(TOWER SENT THE LETTER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT WHICH  
REPLIED THAT ON NOV. 2, 1959 OSWALD HAD SWORN ALLEGIANCE TO THE  
SOVIET UNION IN AN AFFIDAVIT AND HAD REQUESTED THAT HIS CITIZENSHIP  
BE REVOKED.)

BUTLER: EXCUSE ME, MAY I INTERRUPT JUST ONE SECOND. EITHER  
ONE OF THESE TWO STATEMENTS IS WRONG. THE WASHINGTON EVENING STAR  
OF OCT. 31, 1959 PAGE 1 REPORTED THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, A FORMER  
MARINE, 4936 CONNALLY ST., FT. WORTH TEXAS HAD TURNED IN HIS  
PASSPORT AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW ON THAT SAME DATE