Svetlana Loves California

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Svetlana Stalin, the Soviet dictator's daughter who defected to the West ten years ago, said in an interview published yesterday that she cherishes the fact that her five-year-old daughter Olga is "100 per cent American."

But life in the United States has not been a "fairy tale," Joseph Stalin's daughter said, recounting how she earned more than \$1 million with her books but now has only one-fifth of it left.

She told a reporter in Los Angeles that she "loves" life in California and that her only regrets



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SVETLANA STALIN

A California resident

about leaving Russia concern the 26-year-old daughter and 31-year-old son she left behind, and a Soviet grandchild whom she may never see.

Svetlana, 50, who married architect William Peters in 1970 after a three-week courtship and divorced him in 1973 said her young daughter Olga is a "perfect American — she doesn't even know a word of Russian."

"I don't teach her Russian," she said. "She belongs to this country. I want her to feel she is a 100 per cent American child with no second motherland."

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