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MIAMI, Fla., Nov. 26 (AP)- The Cuban government said last night that Lee Harvey Oswald, accused of assassinating President Kennedy, tried Sept. 27 to get a visa to go through Cuba on the way to Russia.

Oswald's request was turned down, the Cuban government said in a statement broadcast by Havana radio and monitored in Miami.

Foreign minister Raul Roa said the request was not granted because Oswald did not have authorization from the Soviet Union.

The statement said that Oswald asked for the transitory visa at the Cuban consulate in Mexico City.

The broadcast said the statement was being issued in reply to a news story in the Mexico City newspaper *Excelsior*, which said that Oswald had tried in September to obtain visas at both the Soviet and Cuban consulates.

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