

American Embassy,
Moscow, USSR,
January 21, 1962.

Mr. Lee H. Oswald,
House 1, Apartment 2h,
Kalinina Street,
Minsk, USSR.

Dear Mr. Oswald:

The Embassy has received your letter and enclosures of January 16, 1962. Regarding the visa petition for your wife, we are attempting to get an early decision from the Immigration and Naturalization Service and will of course inform you as soon as we receive word here.

We shall retain on file the affidavit and other documentation which you sent, although there is considerable doubt about their adequacy to meet the provisions of U. S. immigration laws. You may be sure that this question will be fully explored. Meanwhile, I cannot urge you strongly enough to attempt to obtain a support affidavit from a close relative in the United States, in order to insure that your wife will be able to travel with you. There is no other documentation now required from you.

Should you and your wife depart after your child is born, it will be a fairly simple matter here to have the child included in your American passport. You will be required to submit the child's birth certificate and photographs.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph B. Norbury
American Consul

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American Embassy,
Moscow, USSR,
January 31, 1962.

Mr. Lee H. Oswald,
House 1, Apartment 2h,
Kalinina Street,
Minsk, USSR.

Dear Mr. Oswald:

I have your letter of January 23, 1962, and assume that by now you have received my letter of January 21.

The Soviet exit visa in your wife's passport is valid until December 1, 1962.

The Embassy is not yet in a position to issue your wife's visa for two reasons. First, an approved visa petition for your wife has not yet been received from the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Second, it is not yet clear that the affidavit of support which you submitted, without other evidence substantiating your financial ability to sponsor your wife, satisfies the public charge provision of the law. The Embassy has requested that action on your visa petition be expedited and that careful consideration be given to your affidavit of support. In regard to the latter, at this time I can only repeat my previous suggestion that you request your mother to file an affidavit of support on behalf of your wife.

Although the Embassy is making every effort to complete action on your wife's visa application as soon as possible, it seems highly unlikely that the visa can be issued in time to permit her to travel before your child is born. Most airlines will not accept passengers during the ninth month of pregnancy. Therefore, it would seem advisable for you to plan for the baby to be born before you leave for the United States.

Very truly yours,

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