

OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM

TO: Embassy MOSCOW
 FROM: The Department of State
 SUBJECT: CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORTS - Lee Harvey Oswald
 REF: Embassy's Despatch No. 317 October 12, 1961

Date:

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The Embassy's report on Mr. Oswald's situation was appreciated.

The Passport Office approves the manner of the Embassy's replies to Mr. Oswald with respect to passport facilities for him in the future.

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TO: Embassy MOSCOW
 FROM: Department of State
 SUBJECT: VISAS; OPERATIONS; Third Country Shelter Arrangement
 REF: Embassy's telegram 1558 of November 17, 1961; Embassy's airgram A-360 of November 17, 1961; Department's telegram 1368 of November 28, 1961.

Date: December 5, 1961
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From the Embassy's communications referenced above, it is felt there exists some misunderstanding regarding the third country shelter arrangement and its use in cases in which a waiver of the sanctions imposed by Section 243(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act has not been granted. While that arrangement was originally devised in order that aliens could take advantage of Soviet exit permits even though quota numbers had not been received for the issuance of visas, it may also be used when visas may not be issued in the Soviet Union because of the sanction against such issuance found in Section 243(g). In that connection, attention is called to the wording of that section: "... consular officers performing their duties in the territory of such country to discontinue the issuance of immigrant visas . . ." (underlining supplied).

The Embassy may wish to consult the following communications regarding the establishment and functioning of the arrangement: CA-8420 of April 12, 1960; Telegram 132 of July 12, 1960 from The Hague, repeated Moscow 1; CA-3787 of October 25, 1960; despatch 438 of December 2, 1960 from The Hague, passed to Moscow; letter of March 14, 1961 to Mr. Snyder from Mr. Boster; and letter of March 27, 1961 to Mr. Boster from Mr. Snyder.