



DEPARTMENT OF STATE INSTRUCTIONS

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NO.: A-127, February 1, 1961,

SUBJECT: WELFARE-MISREAPORTS: Leo Harvey Oswald

NY 105-38431

"We are in need of help and would appreciate any help that you can give us. We are expecting a baby the latter part of February.

"Lee Harvey Oswald"

TO: The American Embassy, MOSCOW

Reference is made to the Embassy's operations memorandum dated July 6, 1960 and to previous correspondence concerning the subject.

Mrs. Marguerite Oswald called at the Department on January 26, 1961. She had not heard from her son, Lee Harvey Oswald, since December, 1959, at which time he was residing at the Metropole Hotel.

The Embassy is requested to inform The Ministry of Foreign Affairs that Mr. Oswald's mother is worried as to his personal safety, and is anxious to hear from him.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

## Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: January 26, 1961

SUBJECT: Lee Oswald

PARTICIPANTS: Mrs. Oswald  
 PFT - Mr. Edward J. Hickey  
 SCS - Mr. Norman F. Stenfield  
 SOV - D. E. Boster

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 Ambassador Moscow

Mrs. Oswald came in to discuss the situation with regard to her son, Lee Oswald, who had gone to the Soviet Union and attempted to renounce his citizenship in a visit to the Embassy on October 31, 1959. Mrs. Oswald said she had come to Washington to see what further could be done to help her son, indicating that she did not feel that the Department had done as much as it should in his case. She also said she thought there was some possibility that her son had in fact gone to the Soviet Union as a US secret agent, and if this were true she wished the appropriate authorities to know that she was destitute and should receive some compensation.

Mrs. Oswald was assured that there was no evidence to suggest that her son had gone to the Soviet Union as an "agent", and that she should dismiss any such idea. With respect to her son's citizenship status, Mr. Hickey explained that he had not yet taken the necessary steps in order legally to renounce his citizenship. At the same time, we did not know whether he had taken any action which would deprive him of his American citizenship under our laws. Mrs. Oswald conceded that there was a good possibility that her son was acting in full knowledge of what he was doing and preferred the Soviet way of life. If this were the case, she would respect his right to do so.

It was agreed that the Department would send a new instruction to the Embassy at Moscow asking that the Soviet Foreign Ministry be informed that Mrs. Oswald had not heard from her son in several months and was very anxious to have word from him.

Mrs. Oswald said that her address at the present time was Box 305, Boyd, Texas.

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AIR MAIL

## OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE (OS)

Date: March 9, 1962

FROM: Ambassador MOSCOW

SUBJECT: MOSCOW-EMBASSY: Loan Application of Lee OSWALD

Enclosed is the original of Lee OSWALD's application for a registration loan for himself, his wife and daughter, which he mailed to the Embassy from his residence at Minsk, USSR.

A loan not to exceed \$500.00 has been authorized in the MEMO under reference. The funds will be advanced to Mr. Oswald upon his personal appearance at the Embassy, and a promissory note will be secured from him at that time.

## Enclosures:

Original of Lee Oswald's Application for a Registration Loan

Commission Exhibit 2682

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