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Correspondence of a US Defector Who Recently Left the USSR Homebound

1. As may be seen from the attached news item, which appeared in the WASHINGTON POST, 9 June 1962, a former Marine Sgt. of Fort Worth, Texas, who defected to the USSR three years ago, left Moscow recently, together with his infant child and Russian-born wife bound for the United States. A search of the Project files revealed that the attached subject item was sent to subject by his mother on 8 July 1961. In this item writer discusses sending a parcel and requests him to write more frequently.

2. This item will be of interest to Mrs. Egarter, CI/SIG, and also to the FBI.

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*(K. James)
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Number	To	From	Date Rec'd	Language	Summary
61G10AK	OSWALD, Lee H. (Mr. & Mrs.) Minsk, IIb	OSWALD, M. (Mrs.) Box 608, Crowell, Texas.	28 July	English GOW	LB - 8 July 61. Mother writes to son. Writer mentions the parcel which she sent the addressee. Writer also inquires if addressee's wife Marina works. [Addressee is a former American who defected to the Soviet Union in October 1959]

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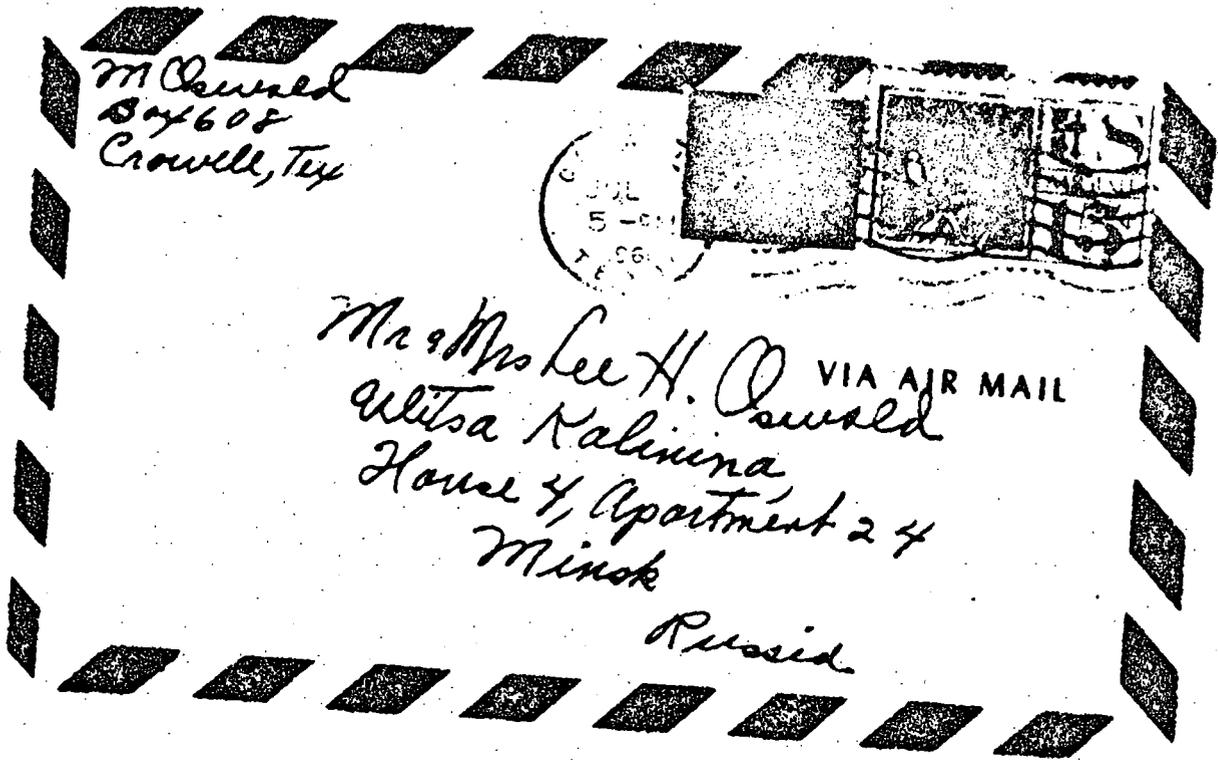
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Box 608
Crowell, Tex
July 6, 1961

Dear Lee:-

Received your letter yesterday dated June 28
I am sending a package to-day. Please let me
know if you receive it. The contents also.

- 1 Pile Shaving cream (also date you receive it)
- 1 deodorant
- 1 Gillette Razor & blades
- 2 dish Towels
- 1 Pot holder
- 1 Can opener (recognize it as the one you brought home)

You might check these items and just say
in your letter (content O.K.) that way I will
know if you are receiving them or I plan
to send a few items from time to time.

Does Marina work also? She sure is a pretty
girl and I am sure will make you a
good wife. Tell her hello for me and
that I will send her something nice in
my next package. We had company yesterday
and when I received your letter and read it
I couldn't imagine when I could get the novel
"984" but the wife has read it (she lives in
New Jersey) and she promised to get a copy
for me. It will probably be a month or so
and, of course, I plan to read it also.

I will check with the Post Office to see
if it is permissible to mail magazines and
will let you know.

The people I work for are real nice.

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and treat me as one of the family. I cook breakfast and then clean the house while I am preparing dinner. We eat at 12:00 o'clock and usually by the time I wash the dishes it is about 1:30 when I am there in the kitchen then (believe it or not) the rest of the day we do nothing but gab and go to town which is fifteen miles from the ranch. The ranch is quite big with a lot of cattle and horses. They have a Mexican boy working here from Mexico that does not speak any English at all. He is nineteen years old. Do you have a chance to speak with any Americans or write to any? Sure hope you don't forget your English. Does Marina speak English? Would you like me to send you a dictionary?

Be good and write often

Love
Mother.

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