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SELECTED CITATIONS:

- 325 Marina was very surprised that the Soviet government allowed her, a Soviet woman who had married an American, to leave the country.
- 327 Marina asserted that Lee was annoyed with the FBI for checking up on him and wished that the FBI would leave him alone.
- 329 "I have been surrounded by FBI agents and Secret Service men all the time."
- 331 Marina remembered Lee as a very secretive person.
- 335 Marina could not recall whether or not she took more that two photographs of Lee with his rifle, shotgun, and Communist literature.

 She also could not identify the type of camera she used and whether or not Lee had any other photography equipment.
- 339 Lee paid off \$400.00 in debt to the State Department in less than one and one-half months. Marina was extremely surprised to learn of that information. She could not understand how Lee could have possessed this kind of money when he only earned approximately 55 to 65 dollars a week.

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- 341 "In the earlier testimonies to the FBI sometimes when I was very difficult and didn't want to answer the questions, sometimes it has come up, 'Well, would you like to live in this country?' I felt it was a little threat. I didn't know if I had a constitutional right to anything then."
- 342 Marina stated that Priscilla Johnson McMillan told her that she did not interview Lee in Minsk because he granted the interview to another female reporter.
- 351 In Minsk, Lee was introduced to Marina as "Alex Oswald."
- 353 Lee never discussed his suicide attempt with Marina. She learned about it after the assassination.
- 361 While in Russia, Lee listened to President Kennedy speak over the radio. Marina recalled Lee saying that he was very proud of the new President of his country.
- 387 At the time of General Walker's shooting, George de Mohrenschildt was the Oswalds' closest friend.
- 387 Shortly after the Walker shooting, Lee and Marina moved to New Orleans.
- 402 Marina attempted to visit Lee at the Reilly Coffee Co., his place of work. When she arrived and asked to see him, someone told her

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that no one by the name of Lee Oswald worked at the company.

- 413 Marina asserted that Lee liked President Kennedy.
- 416 After the assassination, Marina was taken to a hotel by the Secret Service. She testified that she liked the Secret Service agents and that they were very helpful.
- 422 Marina does not remember discovering some bus tickets that Lee had allegedly used to go back and forth to Mexico.
- 423 "Well, knowing Lee as little as I know of him and the unpredictable steps that he would take in his life, I cannot say anything that he might do, but as a person that I knew and then when I was working with Priscilla there was so little I knew of him, I think as secretive as he was I would be surprised if he would take orders or be confining somebody. I doubt it. I don't know."
- 425 Marina did not read the manuscript of Priscilla McMillan's book before it was published.
- 433 "At the beginning, if it is possible to understand for people, I am just a human being and I did try to protect Lee -- that was my natural instinct that I followed. Some things I did not want to talk about because I tried to protect Lee. So they can hold this against me, there is nothing I can do about it.

I had to protect myself, too. I didn't have any home to turn back to. I was not eligible or qualified to live right here so I

really was trying to save my skin, to put it bluntly, but it was not for the reasons that I was protecting somebody, that I was part of any crime, that is not so. That was just a very human mistake that you make but it was not -- maybe legally you call this perjury, I don't know. But it was not because I was afraid that I might betray some secrets that I knew in order to be punished for."