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On 11/25/63, according to WF 1196-SF the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Relations advised the Cubah Mission to the United Nations (UN) that the Ministry had released to the press a statement, a portion of which has been translated as follows:

Regarding the information published in the newspaper "Excelsior" of Mexico City, stating that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had in September requested a transit visa to travel to the Soviet Union at the Cuban consulate in Mexico, the Cuban government checked with our consular officials in that city, verifying that it is true that Mr. LEE HARVEY OSWALD requested on the 27 of September at said consulate, a transit visa to travel to the Soviet Union.

When the consular officials advised him that they could not grant such a visa without the authorization of the Ministry of Foreign Relations of Cuba, which in turn would not grant it without prior issuance of a visa by the country of destination, Mr. OSWALD left the consulate visibly disgusted. Said visa was never granted.

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