

Proposed Topic Questions for Idar Rimestad Interview

Background Information:

1. Could you briefly describe your professional career?
2. When did you arrive in Moscow?
3. Can you briefly describe your position in the Embassy?
4. Did you live in the Embassy?

Embassy Details - 1959

1. Could you describe the general layout of the Embassy?
2. What offices were on each floor?
3. On which floor was your office?
4. Who else shared the floor with you?
5. Could you describe the general layout of the first floor visitors area? (Sketch)
6. Could you describe the layout of the first floor consular area?
7. Did Richard Snyder have an office on the first floor?
8. What kind of work did Snyder do?
9. How many desks were in Snyder's office?
10. Did John McVickar have an office on the first floor?
11. What kind of work did McVickar do?
12. Who else had an office on the first floor?
13. Was there a receptionist on the first floor?

14. What were the procedures for Embassy visitors?
15. Were visitors normally taken to the upper floors of the Embassy?
16. Were any floor/sections of the Embassy assumed to be "secure," that is, free of Soviet listening devices?
17. Did you know the identity of the Chief Of Station? Who was he?
18. Did you know who were the CIA officers in the Embassy? Who were they?

Oswald

1. Had you ever heard the name Lee Harvey Oswald prior to Nov. 22, 1963?
2. Did you ever see LHO in the American Embassy?
3. Did anyone ever discuss LHO with you or mention his name to you prior to Nov. 22, 1963?
4. Did anyone ever discuss LHO and his activities in the USSR with you after Nov. 22, 1963?
5. What was the reaction in the Embassy to news of the assassination in Dallas?
6. Was the reaction what you would have expected?