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Dear Robert

Well, what shall we talk about? The weather perhaps? Certainly you do not wish me to speak of my decision to remain in the Soviet Union and apply for citizenship here, since I'm afraid you would not be able to comprehend my reasons. You really don't know anything about me. Do you know for instance that I don't intend to do this for well over a year, do you know that I (I suppose two weeks or so) speak a fair amount of Russian which I have been studying for many months.

I have been told that I will not have to leave the Soviet Union if I do not care to. This then is my decision. I will not leave this country, the Soviet Union, under any conditions, I will never return to the United States, which is a country I hate.

Someday perhaps soon, and then again perhaps in a few years, I will become a citizen of the Soviet Union. But it is a

very legal process, in any event, I will not leave the Soviet Union and I will never

I received your telegram and was glad to hear from you, only one word bothered me, the word "mistake". I assume you mean that I have a "mistake" it is not for you to tell me I cannot understand my reasons for this way of action.

I will not speak to anyone from the United States over the telephone since it may be typed by the Russians.

If you wish to correspond with me you can write to the below address, but I really don't see what we could talk about if you want to send me money, that I use, but I do not expect to be able to it back.

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