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Snowden Would 'Love' to Leave Russia, But Not Without a Fair Trial

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Former U.S. National Security Agency contractor Edward Snowden appears live via video during a student organized world affairs conference at the Upper Canada College private high school in Toronto.

Edward Snowden, the fugitive former U.S. spy agency contractor who leaked details of mass U.S. surveillance programs, said on Wednesday he is not being offered a fair trial if he returns to the United States.

"I would love to go back and face a fair trial, but unfortunately ... there is no fair trial available, on offer right now," he said from Russia in a live question and answer discussion organized by Canadian Journalists for Free Expression, Toronto's Ryerson University and the Canadian Broadcasting Corp.

"I've been working exhaustively with the government now since I left to try to find terms of a trial," he said.

On Tuesday, his Russian lawyer had said that Snowden has been working with American and German lawyers on a way to return to the United States.

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