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*Joseph P. Rossi*  
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*Joseph Rossi*

Date November 29, 1963

JOSEPH P. ROSSI, Real Estate, 231 Mercantile Continental Building, Dallas, Texas, voluntarily advised as follows at Brownsville, Texas, on November 25, 1963.

ROSSI stated that he and JACK RUBY, whose real name is RUBENSTEIN, were both born in the 24th Ward in Chicago; however, they did not know each other until about eleven years ago when they met in Dallas. RUBY had the Silver Spur Club and later the Vegas Club. ROSSI said that he does not know any of RUBY's family but knows that they are Jews and that JACK RUBY observes Jewish religious customs.

ROSSI knows of no connection between JACK RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

ROSSI described RUBY as having a bad temper and as being highly emotional. ROSSI said that he had heard that RUBY cried when he learned of the death of the late President FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT at Warm Springs, Georgia. RUBY was described as being very anti-Communist but not a member of any "right wing hate groups". In politics, ROSSI described RUBY as being "a 24th Ward Chicago JAKE ARVEY Democrat". ROSSI knows of no connections on the part of RUBY with gamblers or organized crime except to know some of these "characters" personally. ROSSI said that he knows of no close friendships or relations that RUBY ever had with anyone on the Dallas Police Department.

ROSSI last saw RUBY in Dallas on November 20, 1963, at which time RUBY discussed opening a new club and wanted ROSSI to invest money in the club and perhaps help in the management of the venture. RUBY talked of future plans at that time in a manner to indicate that he did not anticipate getting into any sort of trouble.

ROSSI said that when RUBY was identified over the television as the man who killed OSWALD that ROSSI's first thoughts were that RUBY was the type emotional enough to do that sort of thing. ROSSI believes that RUBY's motive in killing OSWALD was the over simplified solution of a simple and emotional man for obtaining justice in the case.

ROSSI noted that persons who had seen OSWALD killed by RUBY

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by SAS THOMAS W. CRAWFORD and CLAY ZACHRY, JR. Date dictated 11/26/63

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on the television had remarked that just prior to the shooting that OSWALD seemed to look at RUBY in a manner reflecting recognition. ROSSI said that he thinks that the look was one of curiosity and perhaps suspicion as RUBY among a group of Texas peace officers would "stick out like a sore thumb." ROSSI said that RUBY wore a hat which he termed "a Chicago hoodlum hat" which was perhaps unique in Dallas. ROSSI said that RUBY wore this same type of gray hat all the time, and he thinks that it was some sort of a badge reflecting RUBY's origin and background. In the past, according to ROSSI, friends of RUBY have "kidded RUBY about his Chicago hoodlum hat".

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JACK RUBY DEFENSE FUND COMMITTEE  
P.O. Box 5226  
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*Hyman Rubenstein*

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