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Mr. BARRY M. COHEN appeared voluntarily at the Dallas Office of the FBI and advised his telephone number was EM 1-7570. COHEN is a member of the American Civil Liberty Union (ACLU) and is presently attending the University of Texas working on his Master's Degree in Russian history. COHEN who is very active in the ACLU advised he had been discussing with Mr. GREG OLDS, home phone AD 1-0841, office phone AD 5-3353, about LEE HARVEY OSWALD joining the ACLU. OSWALD picked up a blank membership and mailed the membership with a \$2.00 fee to the National Headquarters of ACLU in New York.

Approximately one month prior to the President's assassination, OSWALD attended a meeting of the ACLU, but COHEN was not at this meeting. COHEN started an investigation to determine why OSWALD attended this meeting and found that a Mrs. PAINE with whom OSWALD's wife was residing, invited OSWALD as her guest to this meeting.

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by Special Agent WILL HAYDEN GRIFFIN/ss WHV Date dictated 12/4/63

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Confidential Informant, Dallas T-7, advised Special Agent CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., that LEE M. OSWALD rented Post Office Box 6225 located at the Terminal Annex Post Office Station, Dallas, Texas, on November 1, 1963. In his application for rental of this box OSWALD indicated the name of his firm as, "Fair Play for Cuba Committee," and another firm was indicated as, "American Civil Liberties Union." He indicated the type of business as "Non-profit." According to informant, Postal records indicated OSWALD rented this box for the period November 1 through December 31, 1963, and paid \$3.00 rental in cash for the box on November 1, 1963.

Informant advised that on December 5, 1963, he examined Post Office Box 6225 at which time he ascertained the only item contained in the box was the December 6, 1963, issue of "Time" Magazine. The magazine was addressed to LEE M. OSWALD, Box 6225, Dallas, Texas. The mailing strap on the magazine indicated OSWALD's subscription expires in December, 1963. Informant stated that since the afternoon of November 22, 1963, a close watch has been maintained on this box. On the afternoon of November 22, 1963, a 24-hour physical surveillance was placed on the box by Postal Authorities which lasted until midnight, November 24, 1963. According to informant no one appeared at the Post Office to ask for any mail in this box. Informant stated that a continued close watch has been maintained and will continue to be maintained for any persons attempting to obtain mail from this box.

Informant stated that it is his understanding that OSWALD had a key to Post Office Box 6225 in his

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pocket at the time of his arrest on November 22, 1963. Informant stated that he was at the Homicide Detail Room, Dallas Police Department, on November 22, 1963, and observed the key in the possession of an unidentified Homicide Detail Detective. The detective told informant that the key had been found on OSWALD at the time of OSWALD's arrest.

Informant stated that he questioned numerous Postal employees after November 22, 1963, regarding any mail, packages, magazines, or other material received through Box 6225 by OSWALD and none were able to recall any material of any kind being placed in the box with the exception of one employee whose name informant was unable to recall. This employee told informant he thought on one occasion he had placed some type of Russian newspaper in the box but the employee was unable to specifically recall placing the item in the box and he was not able to recall a date on which it had been done, if it had actually been done. Informant stated that upon examining the box on the afternoon of November 22, 1963, it was determined there was dust in the bottom of the box indicating no mail had been received through the box.

Informant concluded by saying that on November 24, 1963, OSWALD admitted renting P. O. Box 6225 and P. O. Box 2915 in Dallas, Texas. He also admitted to informant that he rented P. O. Box 30061 in New Orleans, Louisiana. OSWALD did not make any admissions to informant concerning his use of this box nor did he admit receiving a gun at any time through any of the aforementioned

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Post Office boxes. He denied receiving any mail addressed to A. MIDRELL through any of the Post Office boxes and denied that anyone else had ever received any mail through these boxes. He admitted to informant that on one or two occasions he may have given his Post Office Box key to Box 2915 to his wife for her to obtain the mail from the box and bring it to him.