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and that she is required to remain very quiet and does not normally leave her husband except to visit the doctor and an occasional trip to the store.

Mrs. BIRCH advised that during her employment at the Carousel Club, it was common practice for police officers in uniform to visit the club, talk with JACK RUBY and the girls and to come back later in the evening dressed in civilian clothes and apparently accompanied by girl friends. The only officer known by Mrs. BIRCH by name was Officer SWAFFORD, and the others, by face only.

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JACK VAN KAMPEN, also known as DEL CAMPO, 3007 Lemmon Avenue, operator Dale's Restaurant, this address, furnished the following information:

JACK VAN KAMPEN has known JACK RUBY casually since about 1948 when RUBY was operating the Silver Spur Club on South Ervay, Dallas. He is not a close associate of RUBY. However, he has attended RUBY's clubs frequently, including the Silver Spur, Vegas and Carousel Clubs. VAN KAMPEN formerly operated Del Campo's Dance Studios and on one occasion a group of dancers from his studio performed at the Carousel Club. VAN KAMPEN has no knowledge of any close associates of RUBY, with the exception of one individual, possibly RALPH PAUL, who seemed to be in partnership with RUBY in operation of the Carousel Club.

VAN KAMPEN has no knowledge of any activities of RUBY other than operation of clubs in Dallas. RUBY, in connection with operation of his clubs, acted as his own bouncer, and VAN KAMPEN has seen him involved in a number of fights in his club whenever a patron would become unruly. He noted that on some of these occasions RUBY displayed a violent temper and, in VAN KAMPEN's opinion, would in some cases take more severe action than the situation seemed to warrant. He noticed RUBY seemed to have an uncontrollable temper for brief periods. He never saw RUBY instigate any fights or become involved in any fights outside of his club.

VAN KAMPEN did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no knowledge of any connection between RUBY and OSWALD.

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