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ROBERT LARKIN, 500 North Harwood Street, Dallas, Texas, volunteered the following information:

Mr. LARKIN advised he is presently manager of the Mont Martre Club at 206 Browder Street, Dallas, and formerly managed the Colony Club located next door to the Vegas Club, operated by JACK RUBY and his sister, EVA GRANT. He stated that by virtue of his occupation he has known JACK RUBY during the past eight years and has seen him at more or less regular intervals at one of the other of their clubs. Occasionally, he would find himself in the same party with RUBY and, on each occasion; he would usually chat with RUBY for some time.

He stated that about five years ago, possibly four, he managed RUBY's Vegas Club during the three summer months, during which period RUBY vacationed in Cuba.

LARKIN stated he last saw RUBY at about 5:50 PM, on November 23, 1963, when he met him at the corner of Browder and Commerce Streets, where they were both walking in opposite directions. RUBY was going west on Commerce. They stopped and chatted on the street for five or ten minutes and the first part of the conversation concerned the assassination of President KENNEDY in a general way. He does not recall that the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was mentioned by either. He recalls that RUBY merely stated he felt the assassination was a terrible tragedy. RUBY said nothing to indicate he was under an unusual mental or nervous stress or that he contemplated doing anything about it. The conversation changed to their personal affairs when RUBY asked him why he did not go into partnership with him in the Carquest Club.

LARKIN stated he does not recall discussing politics with RUBY at any time. He continued he considered RUBY to be a man of extreme emotions and one who was quick to become angry. He stated that if RUBY became angry with

obtained this number from EVA GRANT, as she was aware of the number, having visited in the GOLDSTEIN home. GOLDSTEIN stated he had not heard from RUBY for over twenty years until the occasion of this telephone call. He was surprised to hear from him and after a short inconsequential conversation asked GOLDSTEIN if he knew anyone in the "AGVA" which GOLDSTEIN concluded was in reference to the American Guild of Variety Artists. RUBY made some reference to the fact that he was having trouble with this organization in Dallas and he asked GOLDSTEIN if he would get in touch with a man named IRVING MAZZIO or MAZZI, who was reportedly AGVA representative somewhere in Los Angeles. RUBY stated the difficulties he was experiencing involved the Carquest Club in Dallas and he made some reference to a Dallas newspaperman, first name DON, not further described. He furnished GOLDSTEIN with his home telephone number WH 1-5701 and his night club telephone number RI 7-2362. GOLDSTEIN told RUBY that while he knew a lot of people, he doubted that he could help him in connection with this problem. They spoke for a moment or two longer and then ended the call.

GOLDSTEIN advised he has taken no action on this basis of this call because he frankly did not understand what RUBY was requesting of him. He advised that he invited RUBY to visit him should he come to San Francisco.

GOLDSTEIN stated that he recognized RUBY on national television following the murder of LEE HARVEY OSWALD in Dallas. He advised that he cannot understand why RUBY killed OSWALD. He remembers RUBY as a patriotic citizen, who has no radical tendencies. He stated he never has known RUBY to engage in any association with any hoodlum or underworld element. He stated he does not remember RUBY as an individual who would do anything against the best interests of the United States.

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a customer for any reason, such as obscene language, he would immediately grab the individual and shove him out of the club and occasionally would strike the individual without first trying to reason with him.

LARKIN stated that by the very nature of his business RUBY made it a point to be friendly with police officers, and a number of officers knew him and dropped by his establishment from time to time. He recalls that one Lieutenant JAMES GILMORE, of the Dallas Police Department Vice Squad, was particularly friendly with RUBY. GILMORE was occasionally accompanied by his partner on his rounds when he would stop by to visit JACK's place and often would view the show. LARKIN added that he has no information which would indicate RUBY ever did any unusual favors for police officers, in order to get them obligated to him and he does not recall ever hearing that RUBY would throw parties for police officers at his place or elsewhere, or ever picked up the tab for any sort of social entertainment for police officers.

LARKIN advised he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and never had any reason to suspect that there ever existed a relationship or acquaintance between OSWALD and RUBY. He added he has no information concerning the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY, or how RUBY may have gained entrance to the basement of the Dallas Police Department prior to the shooting.

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Mr. DOYLE STOKES, 213 South Ewing, who was reported to have seen RUBY on Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, furnished the following information:

Mr. STOKES advised he is employed by the Veterans Administration Hospital where he is in charge of the Morgue. He works five days a week, Monday through Friday, and weekends when emergencies arise. Mr. STOKES last saw JACK RUBY on Saturday afternoon, November 23, 1963, sometime between 1:00 and 1:30 PM, as RUBY drove his automobile out of the driveway which runs along side of the STOKES' residence. He knows definitely it was Saturday afternoon because he was called back to the hospital to work and after he received his call to go back to work, he telephoned Mrs. STOKES to tell her that he had to work. Mr. STOKES did not see JACK RUBY on Sunday morning November 24, 1963.

Mr. STOKES has known JACK RUBY for three or four months having met him in the neighborhood when RUBY was walking his dogs. Mr. STOKES knows nothing concerning RUBY's personal life or political beliefs. He stated he knows of no connection between RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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