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BOLAND stated that he did not know RUBY to carry a pistol regularly although RUBY did always carry his pistol when he brought cash to the club for the evening's operation but after arriving at the club he would usually lock up the gun. Whenever RUBY traveled in his car he would usually put his pistol in the trunk of the car.

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BOLAND stated that he rarely discussed politics with RUBY but gained the definite impression that RUBY was more interested in the character and ability of the man running for office than the party itself.

BOLAND stated that RUBY was friendly with and knew many police officers and newsmen and felt a real friendship for them generally. RUBY was the type of person, according to BOLAND, who liked to "keep his nose clean", and although he may have known people in the various rackets, he is sure that RUBY did not work with or conspire with any such individuals. He does not recall RUBY mentioning Officer TIPPIT's name and does not know to what extent RUBY was acquainted with this individual.

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
President's Commission on the Assassination
of President Kennedy
200 Maryland Avenue N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Rankin:

I'm sorry not to have answered your letter of 3/18/64 sooner, but have been out of New York on matters pertaining to the Oswald case, and have just been advised of the contents of your letter.

I am still working on this matter, and will contact the Commission when I have permission from my source of information to reveal his name.

Sincerely yours,



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BOLAND stated he last saw RUBY in August 1963 and has no information concerning the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY or as to how RUBY entered the basement of the Police Department prior to the shooting. He added that he himself never knew OSWALD and never had reason to believe that RUBY knew or associated with OSWALD at any time. He added that he feels personally quite sure that RUBY did not know OSWALD, explaining that had RUBY known OSWALD, BOLAND would have become aware of same at one time or another.

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BOLAND stated that he recalls that on one occasion a year or so ago RUBY carried his pistol on his person for one week inasmuch as he had heard that someone who had just been released from prison was "looking for him". BOLAND stated he does not know the identity of this individual and has no additional information about the incident.

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