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TO DIRECTOR, AND SAC DALLAS
FROM SAC, CHICAGO /44-645/ 11-PAGES

JACK LEON RUBY, AKA, . LEE HARVEY OSWALD DASH DECEASED
DASH VICTIM. CR

RE BUREAU TELS TO DALLAS AND CHICAGO TWELVE FOUR,
SIXTY THREE, RE JACK RUBY/S ASSOCIATION WITH PAUL ROLAND
JONES, MAURICE COSTELLO MELTON AND TAYLOR CROSSLAND.
AGENT ROBERT TAYLOR, BUREAU OF FEDERAL NARCOTICS,
CHICAGO, MADE AVAILABLE ON TWELVE FIVE, SIXTY THREE, THEIR
FILE FOR THE FOLLOWING INFO..

TAYLOR CROSSLAND WAS ARRESTED EIGHT TWENTY SEVEN,
FORTY SEVEN, LAREDO, TEXAS, BY US CUSTOMS FOR HAVING
FORTY EIGHT POUNDS OF RAW AND SMOKING OPIUM BROUGHT INTO TEXAS
FROM MEXICO IN HIS POSSESSION. CROSSLAND IMPLICATED 44-24016-481
MAURICE C. MELTON AND PAUL ROLAND JONES. MELTON AND HIS
BROTHER, JOHN MELTON, WERE ARRESTED TEN TWENTY NINE, FORTY
SEVEN, HOUSTON, TEXAS. MAURICE MELTON CORROBORATED INFO
GIVEN BY CROSSLAND IMPLICATING PAUL ROLAND JONES AND JONES SUBSEQUENTLY
ARRESTED TEN TWENTY FOUR, FORTY SEVEN, DALLAS, TEXAS, BY FEDERAL
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BUREAU OF NARCOTICS AGENTS, AS WAS MELTON. PRIOR TO ARREST ABOVE SUBJECTS WERE SURVEILLED DURING COURSE OF INVESTIGATION AND THEY CHECKED INTO THE CENTRAL PLAZA HOTEL, CHICAGO, ON AUGUST TWO, FORTY SEVEN. WHILE AT THIS HOTEL, THEY MADE SEVERAL PHONE CALLS WHICH WERE CHECKED OUT AND THE NUMBER KEDZIE ONE SEVEN ONE SEVEN WAS LISTED TO HYMAN AND JACK RUBENSTIEN, THREE SIX FIVE ZERO WEST LEXINGTON, CHICAGO. THE RUBENSTEINS WERE SUBSEQUENTLY INTERVIEWED BY FEDERAL NARCOTICS AGENTS, CHICAGO, AND THE RESULTS OF THESE INTERVIEWS ARE SET FORTH AS FOLLOWS..

QUOTE I, HY RUBENSTEIN, HAVING BEEN INFORMED BY ALBERT E. AMAN, KNOWN TO ME TO BE AN AGENT OF THE BUREAU OF NARCOTICS OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND ARTHUR R. ADAMS, KNOWN TO ME TO BE AN AGENT OF THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, THAT I MAY DECLINE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS PROPOUNDED

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TO ME BY HIM ON THE GROUND THAT THE ANSWERS THERETO
MAY TEND TO INCRIMINATE ME,. AND HAVING ALSO BEEN INFORMED
THAT THIS STATEMENT MAY BE USED IN EVIDENCE AGAINST ME
IN CRIMINAL OR OTHER PROCEEDINGS,. AND NO THREATS OF
ANY CHARACTER HAVING BEEN MADE AGAINST ME AND NO PHYSICAL
VIOLENCE HAVING BEEN USED AGAINST MY PERSON, AND NO REWARD
NOR IMMUNITY HAVING BEEN PROMISED TO ME IN CONSIDERATION
FOR MY MAKING SAID STATEMENTS BY SAID AMAN OR ANY OTHER
PERSON ACTING FOR OR ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES,. I
DO FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT..

MY NAME IS ^{HY}~~HYMAN~~ RUBENSTEIN, I AM FORTY SIX YEARS
OF AGE, BORN IN WARSAW, POLAND, AND I WAS NATURALIZED
ABOUT NINETEEN TWENTY TWO, IN FEDERAL BUILDING, CHICAGO,
ILLINOIS, MY OCCUPATION IS THE CANDY AND NOVELTY BUSINESS
AND I AM THE PROPRIETOR OF THE VICTORY PRODUCTS COMPANY,
THREE SIX FIVE ZERO LEXINGTON STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

I RESIDE WITH MY FATHER, MY BROTHER, SAMMY, MY
SISTER, MARIAN AND A NEPHEW NAMED RONNIE AT THREE SIX
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FIVE ZERO LEXINGTON STREET. I HAVE LIVED IN CHICAGO SINCE I HAVE BEEN TWO AND ONE HALF YEARS OF AGE, AT WHICH TIME MY PEOPLE MIGRATED FROM POLAND.

QUESTION.. I HAND YOU THREE PHOTOGRAPHS, WILL YOU EXAMINE THEM AND INFORM ME WHETHER OR NOT YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE.

ANSWER.. I MET TAYLOR CROSSLAND AND MAURICE COSTELLO MELTON ONLY ONCE. PAUL ROLAND JONES I HAVE KNOWN FOR ABOUT A YEAR OR LESS.

QUESTION.. WHEN WAS THE FIRST TIME YOU MET PAUL JONES.

ANSWER.. ABOUT TEN MONTHS AGO. HE CALLED ME AT MY HOUSE AND SAID HE WAS A FRIEND OF MY SISTER, EVA GRANT, AND THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ME IF I WASN/T TOO BUSY. WE MET AT THE SHERMAN HOTEL IN THE CELTIC ROMM AND OUR CONVERSATION WAS MERELY GENERAL SUBJECTS OF THE DAY. THE NEXT TIME WE MET WAS ON A SUNDAY MORNING, AFTER HE CALLED ME AT MY HOME AND THIS MEETING WAS HELD AT THE SHERMAN
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HOTEL IN THE CELTIC ROOM. HE INTRODUCED ME TO TAYLOR CROSSLAND AND MAURICE COSTELLO MELTON AND WE ALL HAD BREAKFAST TOGETHER.

THE LATTER MEETING HELD AT THE SHERMAN HOTEL, CELTIC ROOM, TOOK PLACE DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN. DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME THE CONVERSATION WAS ABOUT GENERAL SUBJECTS. WE WALKED AROUND THE LOOP FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AND I POINTED OUT PLACES OF INTEREST TO THE MEN. LATER I SUGGESTED DRIVING THEM TO THE AIRPORT BECAUSE I WASN/T BUSY AND INASMUCH AS THEY SAID THEY WERE GOING TO WICHITA, KANSAS. WHILE IN MY AUTONOBILE, MELTON AND CROSSLAND ASKED ME IF I WOULD GET THEM A CONNECTION ON STEEL PIPES AND I SAID I WOULD LET THEM KNOW TOMORROW, WHICH I DID, AND MAILED THEM THE SAMPLE PAREN THREE QUARTER INCH PIPE ENPAREN TO PAUL JONES AT THREE NONE ZERO FOUR JUNIUS STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS. I ALSO WROTE HIM A LETTER WITH SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICES. I NEVER HEARD A WORD FROM HIM SINCE.

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DURING THE PERIOD OF TIMES SPENT WITH JONES,
MELTON AND CROSSLAND, A DISCUSSION CAME UP ABOUT LUMBER
INASMUCH AS MELTON ASKED ME. MELTON SUGGESTED THAT HE
COULD GET MANY CARLOADS OF LUMBER AT A VERY GOOD PRICE.
I BELIEVE A BROTHER OF HIS HAD A CONNECTION IN A LUMBER
MILL. I SUGGESTED IF HE WOULD CUT OFF A ONE FOOT SAMPLE
SLAB SO THAT I COULD SHOW IT TO SOME PEOPLE IN CHICAGO,
WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO SOME BUSINESS. HE PROMISED ME
HE WOULD, BUT I NEVER GOT A SAMPLE.

WHILE WE WERE WAITING FOR THE PLANE, TAYLOR SUGGESTED
SOMETHING ABOUT A GOLD MINE THAT HE HAD WITH AN ENGINEER
PARTNER ON THE PACIFIC COAST OF MEXICO. I TOLD HIM THAT
IT TOOK TOO MUCH MONEY FOR A GUY LIKE ME. HE SAID QUOTE
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN FIND SOMEBODY UNQUOTE. I TOLD HIM
THERE WAS ONLY ONE PARTY THAT I KNEW WHO WAS A PROSPECTOR
AND A MINER AND KNOWS MORE ABOUT THAT BUSINESS THAN I
DO, AND I GAVE HIM THE NAME OF JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, LOCATED
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AT ROOM FOUR TWO EIGHT, ROWAN BUILDING, FOUR FIVE EIGHT
SPRING, LOS ANGELES, OFFICE TELEPHONE VANDYKE FOUR ZERO
FOUR FOUR.

CROSSLAND SAID HE WOULD HAVE HIS ENGINEER WRITE TO
CUNNINGHAM AS HE KNOWS MORE ABOUT THE DETAILS OF GOLD
MINING. NO MORE WAS EVER HEARD ON THIS SUBJECT.
PAREN RESIDENCE TELEPHONE CHAPMAN FIVE TWO EIGHT ZERO
ONE ENPAREN.

DURING THIS CONVERSATION, PAUL JONES SAID THAT
HE WOULD LIKE TO PICK UP SOME NEW CARS IF ANY CONTACTS
COULD BE MADE, BUT I NEVER TRIED TO MAKE ANY AND THAT ENDED THAT.

THE NEXT TIME I MET PAUL JONES WAS ON OR ABOUT THE
FIFTEENTH OF OCTOBER AND HE REMAINED IN CHICAGO APPROXIMATELY A
WEEK. HE CALLED ME UPON HIS ARRIVAL AT MY
HOME AND ASKED ME TO MEET HIM IN ROOM SIX SEVEN FOUR
AT THE SHERMAN HOTEL, WHICH I DID. HE INTRODUCED ME TO
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A MR. WAGNER AND THE IMPORTANCE OF MY MEETING WITH HIM EACH DAY THAT HE WAS HERE WAS THAT MR. WAGNER WAS THE INVENTOR OF A NEW TYPE OF RUBBER FABRIC TO BE USED FOR RECAPPING TIRES. PAUL JONES SAID THAT HE MET AND TALKED WITH JACK KEESHIN OF THE KEESHIN MOTOR EXPRESS CORPORATION, AND THAT JACK KEESHIN WAS GOING TO GIVE IT A TRIAL. PAUL JONES ALSO SAID THAT HE MADE A TRIP TO CANADA AND ATTEMPTED TO INTEREST THE BOODYEAR RUBBER AND THE UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY IN THIS PRODUCT, BUT WAS INFORMED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH THE UNITED STATES OFFICE IN OHIO.

DURING THIS WEEK PAUL JONES ASKED ME IF I COULD GET HIM SEVEN HUNDRED GALLONS OF BULK FOUR YEAR OLD WHISKEY. I WROTE HIM SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL LETTER AFTER HE LEFT CHICAGO AND I TOLD HIM I COULD GET HIM THE WHISKEY DASH TO FIND OUT FROM HIS PEOPLE WHAT THEY WOULD PAY AND TO LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY. I NEVER HEARD

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FROM HIM ON THIS MATTER EITHER.

DURING THESE SEVERAL MEETINGS THAT I HAD WITH PAUL JONES, HE NEVER MENTIONED OPIUM NOR ANY OTHER NARCOTICS DRUG TO ME, NOR DID CROSSLAND OR MAURICE MELTON.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT/S INFORMATION, I WANT IT TO BE KNOWN CLEARLY THAT I AM A BUSINESSMAN, THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN ARRESTED ON ANY CHARGE, AND THAT I ABSOLUTELY KNOW NOTHING ABOUT OPIUM OR NARCOTICS IN ANY SHAPE, MANNER OR FORM, NOR THE ELICIT TRAFFIC OF NARCOTIC DRUGS. SIGNED HYMAN RUBENSTEIN ON OCTOBER THIRTY, FORTY SEVEN, AND WITNESSED BY ALBERT AMAN, NARCOTICS AGENT UNQUOTE.
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AGENT AMAN OF THE FEDERAL NARCOTICS BUREAU INTERVEIUED
JACK RUBY ON OCTOBER TWENTYSEVEN NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN. RUBY
WAS A PERMANENT GUEST OF ROOM SIX DASH ONE FOUR TWO OF THE
CONGRESS HOTEL, CHICAGO. HE IDENTIFIED THE PHOTOGRAPH OF PAUL
ROLAND JONES AND HAS KNOWN HIM FOR THE PAST FOUR TO FIVE MONTHS,
INASMUCH AS PAUL JONES IS A FRIEND OF HIS SISTER, EVA GRANT,
PROPRIETESS OF THE SINGAPORE SUPPER CLUB, ONE SEVEN ONE SEVEN
SOUTH ERVAY STREET, DALLAS. HE WAS INTRODUCED TO PAUL JONES
BY EVA GRANT.

JACK RUBY HAD TALKED TO PAUL JONES ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS
WHILE VISITING HIS SISTER IN DALLAS, BUT HAS NEVER HAD ANY
CONVERSATIONS WITH HIM RELATIVE TO NARCOTIC DRUGS, NOR HAS HE
EVER TALKED TO PAUL JONES IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, EITHER
PERSONALLY OR VIA TELEPHONE.

ACCORDING TO JACK RUBY, HE WAS VISITING IN DALLAS ON
AUGUST TWO AND THREE NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN, WHICH ARE THE DATES
THAT PAUL JONES, TAYLOR CROSSLAND, AND MAURICE MELTON WERE IN
CHICAGO.

JACK RUBY IS A SALES PROMOTER AND CALLS HIMSELF A MERCHANDISE
DISTRIBUTOR. HE IS THIRTYSEX YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES
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ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, WAVY HAIR WITH HIGH RECEDING HAIRLINE,
A LARGE POINTED NOSE, A FASHIONABLE DRESSER,
BORN IN CHICAGO. HE IS ALSO THE BROTHER OF HYMAN RUBINSTEIN
WHO WAS INTERVIEWED PAREN RE ABOVE PAREN.

THE REGISTRATION RECORDS OF THE SHERMAN HOTEL, CHICAGO,
INDICATE PAUL JONES OCCUPIED ROOMS ONE ZERO TWO FOUR AND SIX
SEVEN FOUR FROM OCTOBER TEN TO THIRTYONE NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN
AND THE TELEPHONE CALLS MADE BY HIM HAD BEEN CHECKED AND WERE
MADE TO ALL LEGITIMATE ORGANIZATIONS.

FILES OF FEDERAL NARCOTIC BUREAU AND FILES OF BUREAU OF IDENT-
IFICATION,
CHICAGO PD, EXAMINED IN FORTY SEVEN AND THERE WERE NO RECORDS INVOLVING
HYMAN RUBINSTEIN, THREE SIX FIVE ZERO WEST LEXINGTON, CHICAGO,
OR JACK RUBY, HIS BROTHER, WHO RESIDES AS PERMANENT GUEST AT
CONGRESS HOTEL, CHICAGO.

DALLAS REQUESTED TO CONTACT RUBY/S SISTER, EVA GRANT, TO
DETERMINE HER ASSOCIATION WITH PAUL ROLAND JONES AND THAT OF
RUBY/S ASSOCIATION WITH JONES. NO ADDITIONAL LEADS RE ABOVE INFO AS
BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF DALLAS.

WFO BEING ADVISED BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION TO REVIEW
FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISON RECORDS FOR THE WHEREABOUTS OF JONES,
MELTON, AND CROSSLAND, AND HAVE THEM INTERVIEWED RE THEIR
ASSOCIATION WITH RUBY.

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