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El Paso 12, Texas
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The Chief of Police
Police Station
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

Subsequent to the arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald, the local newspapers reported that the Dallas Police Dept. allegedly reported that Lee Harvey Oswald was a member of the American Civil Liberties Union and had asked that the ACLU furnish a lawyer to defend him. I have several questions that I would appreciate an answer to from your department.

First: Did Oswald have in his possession a membership card from the American Civil Liberties Union.? If so what name was on the card and what address was given on it.? What information was on the back of the card.?

Second: If Oswald did not have a membership card from the ACLU in his possession from whom did you obtain the information that he was a member of the American Civil Liberties Union.? Did you check or verify the statement as to accuracy before releasing this alleged information to the press.? If Oswald did not have an ACLU membership card in his possession and his membership was not verified at that time then what was the purpose of the alleged statement to the press.? Was it for the express purpose of smearing the ACLU with unfavorable publicity and if so for what reason.?

I never knew Lee Harvey Oswald and I dispiase what he did or is alledged to have done and if guilty I would have liked to have seen him legally tried and executed for his crime. My interest is whether or not the statement allegedly made regarding Oswald's membership in the ACLU is true or not.? I have never seen any subsequent newspaper reports denying the first report by the Dallas Police Dept. Your clarification on this matter would be appreciated.? A self addressed stamped envelope is inclosed for your convenience

Sincerely

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