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7250	7-21-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO NH	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7251	7-21-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO SA	1	0	"
7252	7-21-64	RADIOGRAM, BUREAU TO BS	1	0	"
7253	7-21-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO NO	1	0	"
7254	7-21-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO NY	1	0	"
7255	7-17-64	CABLEGRAM, MEXICO CITY TO BUREAU	2	0	"
7256	7-21-64	MEMO, BUREAU TO EP	1	0	"
7257	7-21-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	2	0	"
7258	7-22-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	2	0	"
7259	7-22-64	TELETYPE, NY TO BUREAU, DL	4	0	"
7260	7-23-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL	2	0	"
7261	7-18-64	NO LHM	2	0	"
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7262	7-18-64	AIRTEL, NO TO BUREAU	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7263	7-20-64	SL LHM	1	0	"
7264	7-20-64	AIRTEL, SL TO BUREAU RADIOGRAM, BS TO BUREAU	1	0	"
7265	7-21-64	HO LHM	3	0	"
7266	8-6-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL, HO, SA	1	0	"
7267	7-21-64	AIRTEL, HO TO BUREAU LETTER, FROM CIA	1	0	"
7268	7-16-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO BA	2	—	REFERRAL: CIA
7269	7-22-64	FBI RECORD	1	—	REFERRAL: CIA
7270	7-22-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO WFO	1	0	b7c
7271	7-22-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO NO	1	0	b7c
7272	7-22-64		15	0	

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7273	7-16-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7274	7-22-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	2	0	" "
7275	7-23-64	TELETYPE, NY TO BUREAU	4	0	" "
7276	7-23-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO DL DL REPORT BY	1	0	" "
7277	8-20-64	WOOD	63	54	b1, b2, b7c, b7d
7278	7-23-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	2	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7279	7-23-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	1	0	" "
7280	7-23-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO NY	1	0	" "
7281	NO DATE	LETTER, CITIZEN TO FBI, DL	2	2	NONE
7282	7-23-64	DL LHM	2	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7283	7-23-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7284	7-24-64	TELETYPE, CG TO BUREAU, DL, NY	2	0	" "

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7285	7-21-64	NO REPORT BY de BRUYERS	27	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7286	7-21-64	TELETYPE, NH TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7287	7-21-64	NH LHM	2	0	" "
7287A	7-28-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL MEMO,	1	0	" "
7288	7-21-64	NH TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7289	7-22-64	NO LHM	7	0	" "
7289A	8-14-64	OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF ERROR, BUREAU TO NO	1	0	" "
7290	7-22-64	AIRTEL, NO TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7291	7-23-64	AIRTEL, EP TO BUREAU	2	0	" "
7292	1-21-64	LETTER, CITIZEN TO JENNER	1	0	" "
7293	1-24-64	LETTER, JENNER TO CITIZEN	1	0	" "
7294	6-25-64	LETTER, CITIZEN TO CONNALLY	2	0	" "
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7295	7-23-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	2	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7296	7-24-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO T-P	1	0	" "
7297	7-17-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	1	0	" "
7298	7-24-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	1	0	" "
7299	7-21-64	AIRTEL, MEXICO CITY TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7300	7-24-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL	1	0	" "
7301	7-24-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	" "
7302	7-24-64	MEMO, DL TO BUREAU	1	1	NONE
7303	7-27-64	CLARK TO SAC, DL	1	1	NONE
7304	6-17-64	HANDWRITTEN NOTE AIRTEL,	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7305	7-23-64	NY TO BUREAU	2	0	" "
7306	7-24-64	CABLEGRAM, BUREAU TO MEXICO CITY	1	0	" "
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7307	7-24-64	AIRTEL, LA TO BUREAU	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7308	NO DATE	LETTER, CITIZEN TO FBI, DL	2	2	NONE
7309	7-27-64	DL LHM	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7310	7-27-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7311	7-27-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	" "
7312	7-23-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	" "
7313	7-24-64	MEMO, DL TO BUREAU	4	0	" "
7314	7-24-64	AIRTEL, NO TO BUREAU	2	0	" "
7315	7-27-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	3	0	" "
7316	7-27-64	CABLEGRAM, BUREAU TO BONN	1	0	" "
7317	7-23-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	1	0	" "
7318	7-27-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO NO	2	0	" "
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7319	7-28-64	TELETYPE BUREAU TO DL	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7320	7-24-64	SA REPORT BY KEMMY	46	0	" "
7321	7-23-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	1	0	" "
7322	7-28-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL	2	0	" "
7323	7-28-64	MEMO, HOOVER TO DIRECTOR, CIA	3	-	REFERRAL: CIA
7324	7-24-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	2	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7325	7-28-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO MM	1	0	" "
7326	7-28-64	AIRTEL, HO TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7327	7-28-64	TP LHM	3	0	" "
7328	7-28-64	AIRTEL, TP TO BUREAU	1	0	" "
7329	7-29-64	DL LHM	6	0	" "
7329A	8-6-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL	1	0	" "
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7330	7-29-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7331	7-29-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	" "
7332	5-8-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL	1	0	" "
7333	7-28-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO BS, NY	3	0	" "
7334	7-29-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO AN, BU, DL	4	0	" "
7335	7-29-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL, LA	1	0	" "
7336	7-29-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	29	0	" "
7337	7-17-64	TRUE COPY OF CITIZEN'S LETTER LETTER,	1	0	" "
7338	7-29-64	HOOVER TO RANKIN MEMO,	2	0	" "
7339	7-30-64	DL TO BUREAU MEMO,	1	0	" "
7340	7-30-64	DL TO NH MEMO,	1	1	NONE
7341	7-30-64	MEMO, DL TO BUREAU	2	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
			47	1	

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7342	7-30-64	MEMO, DL TO BUREAU	6	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7343	7-29-64	LETTER, HOOVER TO RANKIN	2	0	"
7344	7-28-64	AIRTEL, NO TO BUREAU	1	0	"
7345	7-28-64	AIRTEL, NO TO BUREAU	1	0	"
7346	7-30-64	DL LHM	2	0	"
7347	7-30-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	1	0	"
7348	7-27-64	BA REPORT BY MALINOWSKI	11	0	"
7348A	7-30-64	OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF ERROR, BUREAU TO BA	1	0	"
7349	7-28-64	NH REPORT BY SHORTELLE	4	0	"
7350	7-29-64	MEMO, HO TO BUREAU	3	0	"
7351	7-30-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO SF	1	0	"
7352	7-30-64	LETTER, RANKIN TO HOOVER	1	0	"
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7353	7-31-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7354	7-31-64	RADIOGRAM, BUREAU TO AN	3	0	"
7355	7-31-64	DL LHM	5	5	NONE
7356	7-31-64	AIRTEL, DL TO BUREAU	1	1	"
7357	7-31-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL, NO	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7358	7-21-64	LHM	5	0	"
7359	7-21-64	AIRTEL, MEXICO CITY TO BUREAU	2	0	"
7360	7-31-64	BUREAU R/S TO DL	1	0	"
7361	8-2-64	MEMO, NIGHT CLERK TO SAC, DL	1	1	b7d
7362	7-29-64	TELETYPE, DL TO BUREAU	3	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7363	7-30-64	AIRTEL, BUREAU TO DL	3	0	"
7364	7-30-64	MM LHM	2	0	"
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7365	7-30-64	AIRTEL, MM TO BUREAU	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
1366	8-4-64	TELETYPE, BUREAU TO DL	1	0	"
7367	7-29-64	MEMO, NY TO DL	3	3	b2, b7D
7368	7-30-64	LA REPORT BY ORTON	12	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED
7369	7-30-64	LHM	3	0	b7c
7370	7-30-64	AIRTEL, WFO TO BUREAU	1	0	b7c
TOTAL			21	3	
			396	73	

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TITLE OF CASE CHANGED JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, aka Joseph Rodriguez Molina		REPORT MADE BY W. JAMES WOOD	TYPED BY VR/jtf
		CHARACTER OF CASE SM - C	

The title has been changed to show "JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA" as subject's correct name as stated by subject in interview on August 14, 1964; also, to delete "JOE MOLINA", such being only a brief form of his correct name. His correct name previously was carried as "JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA", which is being retained as an alias.

REFERENCE: Bureau airtels to Dallas dated 7/10/64, 7/13/64, and 8/12/64.

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Report of: **W. JAMES WOOD** Office: **DALLAS**
 Date: **August 20, 1964**
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 Title: **JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA**
 Character: **SECURITY MATTER - C**

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Synopsis: **MOLINA** was charter member of Dallas chapter of American GI Forum, formed in September, 1954, and was officer in that group 1955, 1958, 1959, 1962. Informants have advised he was not member of Communist Party (CP) and was not considered for CP membership, or as sympathetic to CP. Interviewed concerning his knowledge of assassination of President **KENNEDY** and concerning search of his home and questioning by police following assassination. Police officials involved also interviewed, as were officials of Texas School Book Depository, where **MOLINA** was employed for sixteen years until discharged in December, 1963. **MOLINA** claimed reason for discharge was question of his loyalty to the United States, which question arose out of statements made by police to news media. No information was furnished Dallas Police Department by Dallas Office of Federal Bureau of Investigation or Dallas Office of U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. Background and physical description set out.

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DETAILS:

All background and descriptive data herein was furnished by **MOLINA** during interview with him on July 15, 1964.

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I. BACKGROUND DATA

Residence

He currently resides at 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, Texas.

Employment

He is an employee of the Credit Union of Neuhoff Brothers Packers, 2821 Alamo, Dallas, Texas, and has been so employed since January, 1964.

He was previously employed for a period of approximately sixteen years, until December 30, 1963, by the Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas.

Birth Data

He was born in Dallas, Texas, on June 18, 1924.

Military Service

He served in the U. S. Navy from February 26, 1943, to January 5, 1946, NSN 839-16-58.

Relatives

He is married to SOLEDAD MOLINA. They have four children, JOE MOLINA, Jr., age 17; JOHN MOLINA, age 10; LINDA MOLINA, age 14, and SYLVIA MOLINA, age 14, the latter child being an adopted daughter.

His father is PEDRO MOLINA, born June 24, 1898, Mexico City, Mexico; his mother is LUIZ R. MOLINA, born December 18, 1901, in Celaia, Mexico. His brothers are FRANK MOLINA, born February 16, 1939; PETE MOLINA, born December 21, 1940. His sisters are ANGELINA MOLINA, born February 28, 1930, and BEATRICE MOLINA, born March 4, 1926.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Date 11/23/63

Mr. JOE R. MOLINA, 4306 Brown, Dallas, in the presence of B. L. SENKEL, Detective, Homicide Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised as follows:

Mr. MOLINA is employed by the Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm Street. His position with that company is that of Credit Manager, which he has held for approximately three to four years. He advised that his office is located on the second floor. MOLINA does not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD personally, however, he has seen him, but has never talked to him. MOLINA did not see OSWALD on November 22, 1963, the day of the assassination of President KENNEDY. MOLINA recalled that he left his office at approximately 12:15 p.m., and proceeded to the front of the building to observe the parade. He recalled hearing three shots, however, he was not aware of the direction from which the shots had come. Subsequent to the assassination of President KENNEDY, when it was determined the President had been assassinated, MOLINA met EDDIE PIPER, a porter in the building where the Texas School Book Depository is located. In a conversation with PIPER, PIPER mentioned to MOLINA that he had heard that all employees in the building had been accounted for, except "LEE." MOLINA stated at the time of the discussion with PIPER it had already been determined that the shots had come from the building at 411 Elm Street and that, also, the weapon used in the assassination had been located. MOLINA recalled also that at this time it had also been ascertained that food particles, reportedly identified as bits of chicken, had been located on the sixth floor. MOLINA stated that PIPER felt it was possible that the assassin may have gotten the chicken from the catering service that services the employees at the Texas School Book Depository. MOLINA was unable to furnish the name of the catering service.

on 11/23/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43

by Special Agent JAMES S. WEIR/mac/vm Date dictated 11/23/63

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JESSE E. CURRY, Chief of Police, Dallas, Texas, on November 23, 1963, following interview by Special Agent JAMES S. WEIR with JOE R. MOLINA that day, advised Special Agent WEIR that MOLINA had caused the Dallas Police Department considerable trouble in the past by demanding such things as listing Mexicans as white persons rather than as Mexicans, and generally protesting alleged discrimination against Mexicans.

Date November 30, 1963

Mr. JOE R. MOLINA, 4306 Brown Street, telephone LA 6-3956, who is employed as credit manager for the Texas School Book Depository, Houston and Elm Streets, Dallas, Texas, stated that on the day of the assassination he was standing on the steps of the building housing the Texas School Book Depository and that shortly thereafter he was questioned briefly by the Dallas Police. He said that about 1:00 a.m., on the morning of November 23, 1963, the Dallas Police came to his home with a search warrant and searched his premises but did not find anything. They claimed that he had been associated with the Communist and subversive element and indicated that he was a friend of OSWALD. He was requested to appear at the Police Department at 11:00 a.m., on November 23, 1963, which he did. He was questioned by the police concerning his association with OSWALD and told them that he had a limited association with him. As a matter of fact, Mr. MOLINA stated he knew OSWALD very casually since OSWALD had worked for the Texas School Book Depository for only a short time.

When he was questioned by the Dallas Police, a Secret Service man was present, and he was asked questions concerning his membership in the American GI Forum. He stated there was no reason to believe the American GI Forum was not a legitimate organization because the Attorney General of the United States had delivered a speech at the Chicago convention of that organization. He said the radio, television, and news media referred to him as "Mr. X" but did not mention his name, nor did they mention the American GI Forum. He said the newspapers exaggerated the facts because they pictured him as being a "buddy" of OSWALD, when, in fact, he hardly knew him since he, MOLINA, worked on the second floor and OSWALD worked on another floor in the building. He said that even though his name was not mentioned in the newspapers, many of his friends identified him as being the person referred to in the papers. MOLINA stated he wanted to clear up the matter and had talked with his attorney as well as WILLIAM J. LOWERY, who is also a member of the American GI Forum. He said the news media did not directly accuse him of being a subversive but insinuated in their writeups and speech that he was a subversive individual. He could recall actually never having spoken to OSWALD but saw him in the Texas School Book Depository building.

11/30/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43
by Special Agent W. HARLAN BROWN/gm/vm Date dictated 11/30/63

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On March 25, 1964, MOLINA was again interviewed and furnished the following signed statement:

"Dallas, Texas
March 25, 1964

"I, Joe R. Molina, freely furnish the following voluntary statement to Eugene F. Petrakis and A. Raymond Switzer, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I am a white male, born June 18, 1924 at Dallas, Texas and presently reside at 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, Texas. I am presently employed as a Bookkeeper at Neuhoff Employees Credit Union, 2821 Alamo Street, Dallas, Texas. Prior to this employment I was employed as Credit Manager by the Texas School Book Depository and was so employed on November 22, 1963.

"At approximately 12:20 PM on November 22, 1963 I left my office on the second floor of the Texas School Book Depository and took up a position on the top step at the entrance of the Texas School Book Depository for the purpose of watching the Presidential Motorcade, which I knew was due to pass the building momentarily. Otis Williams, another employee of the Texas School Book Depository and Mrs. Pauline Sanders likewise employed were also viewing the motorcade with me. I recall that Roy Truly, Director of the warehouse personnel, Texas School Book Depository, and O. V. Campbell, Vice President of the Texas School Book Depository were also viewing the motorcade.

"At approximately 12:30 pm the car in which President Kennedy was riding passed the building going west on Elm Street. Just after his car

"disappeared from my view I heard three shots. I moved from my position on the steps in the direction of where the Presidential car was proceeding. I remained outside for a few moments and then went back inside the Texas School Depository Building. I left the building at approximately 2:15 PM on November 22, 1963 and went home.

"I was not acquainted with Lee Harvey Oswald, I never spoke to him, but on several occasions I did see him in the Texas School Book Depository Building. I never saw Lee Harvey Oswald on November 22, 1963 nor did I see any strangers in the Texas School Book Depository Building on the morning of November 22, 1963.

"I have read this statement consisting of this page and two other pages, and have initialed each page and this statement _____ and correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Joe R. Molina

"Witnessed:

"/s/ A. Raymond Switzer, Special Agent, F.B.I.,
Dallas, Texas 3-25-64

"/s/ Eugene F. Petrakis, Special Agent, FBI, Dallas,
Texas, 3/25/64."

Date 7/20/64

JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, was interviewed at his place of employment, Neuhoff Brothers Packers, 2821 Alamo, Dallas.

He stated that between 1:30 A.M. and 2:00 A.M., on November 23, 1963, a large group of police officers came to his home. He was questioned by Captain WILLIAM P. GANNAWAY and Lieutenant JACK REVILL, primarily about his connection with the American GI Forum. They asked him about his acquaintance with several fellow members of that organization. They also asked him about his acquaintance with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, a fellow employee of the Texas School Book Depository, whom he had seen but did not know. He was not accused at that time, by Captain GANNAWAY or Lieutenant REVILL, of being subversive or of having subversive affiliations, and despite the late hour, MOLINA assumed they were conducting routine investigation in the assassination case because of his employment by the Texas School Book Depository.

During and after this questioning, other officers were searching his home. He does not remember that a search warrant was mentioned, but believes he was asked if he minded if they "looked around," and he gave permission for the search.

The officers never did say what they were searching for, but they spent from thirty to forty minutes searching his home. To the best of his knowledge, the only thing they found which appeared to interest them, and which they carried away, was a list of names his wife had been given by the Holy Trinity Mothers' Club of women to be contacted to help serve dinner at the Trade Mart in Dallas.

After the search, the group went into the kitchen, out of the presence of Mr. and Mrs. MOLINA, where they held a brief discussion. He was then asked if he would be willing to accompany them to Police Headquarters at that time, or if he preferred to come to Police Headquarters on his own later

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in the morning. He told them he would prefer to come to Police Headquarters later in the day, and the officers left.

At about 9:50 A.M., he arrived at Dallas Police Headquarters. He first went to the office of the Special Service Bureau, where he waited for about forty minutes in a small office there. Representatives of the news media kept coming in and out of the office, and photographs of him were taken by such individuals. None of these pictures, however, appeared in the paper.

Captain WILLIAM P. GANNAWAY then came into the office and started questioning him about the American GI Forum and his connection with it. Lieutenant JACK REVILL was also present. This questioning was rather brief, and he was told he was going to be sent for questioning to Captain WILL FRITZ of the Homicide Bureau.

MOLINA then went to the Homicide Bureau, where he waited for about forty-five minutes to be interviewed. He was then interviewed for from twenty to thirty minutes by a Detective and by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning his knowledge of OSWALD, his work at the Texas School Book Depository, and his whereabouts during the pertinent period surrounding the assassination.

He was then told by the Agent that he could leave, but when he tried to leave the Homicide Bureau a police officer stationed at the door, whose identity he did not know, told him to go back in and sit down. He was kept waiting in the office another thirty to forty-five minutes.

A police officer then came and told MOLINA to follow him, taking him to the Special Service Bureau. Here he was interrogated by Lieutenant JACK REVILL and another officer whom he did not know. This questioning had to do with the American GI Forum, apparently trying to prove that MOLINA was acquainted

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with a number of people therein who had records of subversive activities. For instance, he was asked if he was acquainted with JOHN STANFORD, a State official of the Communist Party. He said he was not acquainted with STANFORD. He was asked to write a statement as to the political sympathies of the various members of the American GI Forum, which he declined to do, stating he had no first-hand knowledge as to which of them, if any, were Communist Party members or had communist sympathies.

Lieutenant REVILL and the other officer then wrote an affidavit concerning the American GI Forum based on his statements to them, which he signed. He was then permitted to leave Police Headquarters, and was driven home by a police officer.

MOLINA said he was at Police Headquarters from about 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. He was never told he was under arrest. The only indication he had that he might have been under some form of restraint was his one effort to leave the Homicide Bureau, and his having been told by a police officer at that time not to leave.

He said there is no question in his mind that his discharge from his 16 years' employment with the Texas School Book Depository was a direct result of publicity following his questioning by the police, and alleged subversive affiliations on his part. He said that immediately following his questioning by the police, and the attendant publicity, there was no mention of this made at his place of employment. About ten days thereafter, he was told he could no longer sign outgoing letters, which he had done previously. Shortly thereafter, all letter-heads which bore his name were taken from him.

He then went to the office of O. V. CAMPBELL, the Vice-President of the Texas School Book Depository, where he objected to the action being taken against him and asked CAMPBELL the reason for it. CAMPBELL told him that the allegations made

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about his loyalty would have to be cleared up, that the company had been getting a lot of crank calls, several customers had said they would not buy books from the company as long as the company had a subversive working for them. MOLINA said no one else was present when CAMPBELL made these statements.

Shortly thereafter, he was told studies had been and were being made with a view to automating the operation of the Accounting Department, that the publishers and customers demanded faster service, and that as a result of the coming automation, MOLINA's job was being eliminated. MOLINA stated he believed this claim to be completely false, that a credit manager's job could not be eliminated by automation, and that this was just a convenient way to discharge him because of allegations made against his loyalty.

He said CAMPBELL offered him a severance contract which he refused to sign until he contacted his attorney, one MULLINAX. The latter told MOLINA he could not see that MOLINA had any recourse but to agree to the terms of the contract, and on December 12, 1963, he signed this contract calling for full pay for three months, half-pay for three months, and other benefits.

He said he stayed at his employment until December 30, 1963, but in the interim constantly sought employment at such places as Sears, Roebuck and Company, Texas Instruments, and through the Texas Employment Commission. He had no success, and when prospective employers found from his application forms that he had been discharged from the Texas School Book Depository job as credit manager, after sixteen years of employment there, coupled with the fact that that place had been the site of the assassination of President KENNEDY, they had no further interest in hiring him. One woman connected with the Texas Employment Commission questioned him as to whether he was a "subversive," and thereafter told him the Commission had no work for him because of his lack of a college education, although she had known about this lack of a college education from the outset.

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He said he was acquainted, through his work in the Parent Teachers Association at the Holy Trinity School in Dallas, with MARTIN MC REDMOND, an official of the Neuhoff Packing Company. He asked MC REDMOND if he had any work MOLINA might be able to do, and was told that there was a vacancy anticipated in the Credit Union of his company. He went to work on a part-time basis there in January 1964, and full-time in February 1964. There has never been any mention there of the adverse publicity he received following the assassination.

He said that in his work at the Texas School Book Depository, he had been earning \$6,000 a year, while in his present employment his salary is only \$4,500 a year.

He said the only police official who he knows made statements detrimental to him was Chief of Police JESSE CURRY of the Dallas Police Department. He said when he returned home on November 23, 1963, his wife told him she had seen Chief CURRY on television, and heard him make a statement to the effect that police were investigating a man who had been in their subversive files since 1957, and mentioned MOLINA by name as being the individual in question. MOLINA believes this telecast was carried on all local television channels as a part of a pool operation. He said he does not know whether any other police officials made statements to the press concerning his alleged subversive affiliations.

He also said that in one of the local newspapers there was a news item quoting Chief CURRY to the effect that the Dallas Police were investigating a man who had been in the police subversive files since 1957.

He said that on the night of November 23, 1963, he had called the Police Department in an effort to get a retraction of the statements made by Chief CURRY. He talked with Captain GLEN D. KING, who told him Chief CURRY was the only

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official who could make an official retraction of such statements, but MOLINA was never successful in contacting Chief CURRY.

He said he mentioned to a friend, HECTOR GARCIA, a founder of the American GI Forum, the troubles he was having as a result of the publicity concerning his alleged subversive affiliations. GARCIA told him he could write the various radio and television stations and demand copies of texts or recording tapes of all broadcasts and telecasts in which MOLINA was mentioned, and he did so. The only station which furnished any information to him was Dallas Radio Station WRR, which furnished the text of a broadcast by Chief CURRY making the above allegations. Dallas Radio Station KRLD stated the matter was being referred to their New York office because the networks were responsible for any broadcasts, and he never heard anything further from them.

His attorney filed suit against WRR for damages on MOLINA's behalf because of derogatory statements carried by that station, but in reply his attorney was told that the station was city-owned and that under the city charter, such a suit had to be filed within thirty days of the occurrence, which had not been done. MOLINA said, however, that plans for a lawsuit have not been dropped, and his attorney is still exploring means of suing the station for damages on his behalf.

MOLINA furnished the following descriptive data concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	40 years
Born	June 18, 1924, at Dallas, Texas
Height	5'7½"
Weight	164 pounds
Eyes	Brown

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Hair	Brown, graying, balding in front
Build	Stocky
Complexion	Fair
Marks and Scars	Large mole in left eyebrow
Wife	SOLEDAD MOLINA
Children	JOE MOLINA, JR., aged 17; JOHN MOLINA, aged 10; LINDA MOLINA, aged 14; and, adopted daughter SYLVIA, aged 14
Education	Crozier Technical High School, Dallas
Military Service	U. S. Navy, 1943-46, NSN 1891658
Residence	4306 Brown, Dallas, Texas

Date August 18, 1964

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JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, Bookkeeper, Neuhoff Employees' Credit Union, 2821 Alamo, Dallas, Texas, was reinterviewed to identify, if possible, the employee of the Texas School Book Depository who told him he could no longer sign outgoing letters and who took from him letterheads which bore his name. He advised that his full and correct name is JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, and that he has never had the name JOSEPH.

He stated O. V. CAMPBELL, Vice President, Texas School Book Depository, in their conversation in December, 1963, told him that it would be better if he (MOLINA) did not sign any more letters with things being the way they were. CAMPBELL thought it would be better if he did not sign letters anymore. MOLINA said he agreed at that time to continue his work and to dictate letters to the same stenographers who had regularly been taking his dictation, but that letters dictated by him would be sent out over the signature of BONNIE _____, last name not remembered, one of the stenographers. Immediately after his discussion with Mr. CAMPBELL, he (MOLINA) told BONNIE to thereafter prepare letters dictated by him under her signature and for her to sign them after they were typed. He stated BONNIE _____ and CAROLYN _____, last name not remembered, were the two stenographers who regularly took his dictation, as well as Mr. CAMPBELL's dictation.

MOLINA stated he did not question Mr. CAMPBELL's request because he thought he knew the reason why the request was made of him. MOLINA said it is his opinion the Texas School Book Depository wanted to disassociate his name with that company because Mr. CAMPBELL had already told him the company had received telephone calls and letters from people who announced they would not do business with a firm that hired

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communists or persons of subversive backgrounds. MOLINA stated it appeared to him the firm was trying to keep from losing customers. MOLINA said the things that had been said on radio and television about him were never retracted.

MOLINA stated that later in December, 1963, BONNIE and CAROLYN, identified above, both asked him for the blank letterhead forms that he had in his possession. He believes BONNIE first asked him for the forms, but he did not know what she meant, and later CAROLYN asked him for them. He did not understand what they meant, and it was not until later he realized they were trying to obtain from him letterhead forms that bore his name. He realized that about ten days later when he observed a pile of these forms on the desk of SARAH STANTON, a printer employed by that firm. He does not know what official caused these employees to gather up the forms bearing his name. He recalled that the gathering up of these forms and Mr. CAMPBELL's request to him that he no longer sign letters had been completed by December 13, 1963, the date when forms were filled out leading toward his termination by that firm.

MOLINA stated he went to the Texas Employment Commission in the United Fidelity Building, Dallas, on December 19, 1963, prior to his termination with the Texas School Book Depository, and registered for employment as a credit manager or bookkeeper. After signing up, he was referred to the Professional Office of that agency on the Seventh Floor of the United Fidelity Building where a Mrs. LOGAN interviewed him. She possessed his application and asked him questions as to why he was leaving his previous employment. He told her he was terminating from the Texas School Book Depository because things had been said on radio and television to the effect that he was supposed to be a subversive or had associated with persons of a subversive background, which statements had not been retracted. She then asked if there was any truth to those

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allegations. He told her there was no truth to those comments. She then told him she was sorry but that he did not have the educational qualifications to be a credit manager and referred him back to the First Floor at the Texas Employment Commission where he had registered for employment.

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In connection with the interview of MOLINA on November 30, 1963, in which he stated he had been questioned by Dallas Police on November 23, 1963, at which time a Secret Service man was present, MOLINA advised during the interview on July 15, 1964, that he was interviewed on that date by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and police, and that no Secret Service man was present.

III. INTERVIEWS WITH POLICE OFFICIALS

On December 3, 1963, Detective L. D. STRINGFELLOW, Special Service Bureau, Dallas Police Department, made available to SA JOE B. ABERNATHY a copy of an affidavit signed by JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA on November 23, 1963, which is set out as follows:

"AFFIDAVIT IN ANY FACT

"The State of Texas
County of Dallas

"Before me, WILLIAM S. BIGGIO, a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared JOE RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, 4306 Brown St., Dallas, Texas, who after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says:

"My name is Joe Rodriguez Molina. I was born in Dallas, Texas, 18 June 1924. I have been employed at the Texas Schoolbook Depository for sixteen (16) years.

"In 1955, I attended an organizational meeting of the G. I. Forum at the Baker Hotel. Mr. Jesse Garcia, from the Fort Worth chapter was present and assisted us in forming the Dallas G. I. Forum. The following men were among those present who became charter members:

"Edmund Villasana, a jeweler
Felix Botello
Bill Lowery
Joe Landin
Augustin Estrada

"The later meetings were held at the Guadalupe Social Center. Edmund Villasana was elected the first chairman. I was elected chairman in two separate years.

"I am no longer a member of the G. I. Forum, having failed to renew my membership after July 1962.

"The present chairman of the Forum is Brownie Trevino, owner of Oak Cliff Blind Service. Albert Orozco, a school teacher from Fort Worth, is now secretary. Albert lives on Delano Place here in Dallas.

"Otto Mullenax, an attorney, and Pepper Garcia have been members of the G. I. Forum. Garcia is no longer an active member.

"/s/ Joe Rodriguez Molina
Joe Rodriguez Molina

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of November A.D., 1963.

"/s/ William S. Biggio
Notary Public, Dallas County,
Texas
William S. Biggio

"I am not positive that Garcia's name is Jesse.

"Added statement affirmed.

"/s/ Joe R. Molina

/s/ WILLIAM S. BIGGIO
William S. Biggio."

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Detective H. M. HART, Intelligence Unit, Special Service Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised that the Dallas Police Department had never had a file on JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA, that they did have a file concerning the American GI Forum, and that MOLINA's name was therein as a member of that organization. He said they had no information to indicate that MOLINA had been affiliated with any other organizations.

He said that on the early morning of November 23, 1963, at about 2:00 A.M., he; Lieutenant JACK REVILL of the Special Service Bureau; Captain WILLIAM P. GANNAWAY, Dallas Police Department; WILLIAM ALEXANDER, Assistant District Attorney; R. W. WESTFALL of Special Service; and, Detective P. M. PARKS went to MOLINA's residence. Captain GANNAWAY went to the front door with Mr. ALEXANDER and talked with Mr. and Mrs. MOLINA before the others present entered the house. HART said he does not know just what was said at that time. They all then entered the MOLINA residence.

While Captain GANNAWAY and WILLIAM ALEXANDER and possibly Lieutenant REVILL stayed in the living room with Mr. and Mrs. MOLINA, the others conducted a search of the residence. They were told to look for anything that might connect Mr. MOLINA with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, since both worked at the Texas School Book Depository building. To the best of HART's knowledge, nothing was found and nothing was taken from the house.

At that time, Mr. MOLINA was asked to come to Police Headquarters later in the morning for interview, since all employees of the Texas School Book Depository were being questioned. He agreed to do so, and the group left his house.

Detective HART said they were at MOLINA's place probably less than an hour. He said he does not know what conversation transpired in the living room while he and the others were conducting the search.

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About 11:00 A.M. on November 23, 1963, MOLINA did come to Police Headquarters, as requested. Lieutenant JACK REVILL took him from the Special Service Bureau to the office of Captain WILL FRITZ, of the Homicide Bureau, where he stayed for two or three hours. After this, MOLINA came again to the Special Service office, and HART said he had no knowledge as to what happened during the period MOLINA was in Captain FRITZ's office.

After MOLINA returned to the Special Service office, HART and Lieutenant REVILL took an affidavit from MOLINA concerning his affiliation with and knowledge of the American GI Forum. This took about thirty minutes. HART said he recalls having asked MOLINA how long he had known LEE HARVEY OSWALD, but they did not go into great detail in this regard.

Detective HART said he has no knowledge of any allegations made by any police officials to the news media concerning possible subversive affiliations on the part of MOLINA.

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Captain GLEN D. KING (NA), Dallas Police Department, said he did not take part in the search of the home of JOE R. MOLINA or in the questioning of him on November 23, 1963. He said that as far as he knows, he never did see MOLINA. He said he does not know of any allegations made against MOLINA by officials of the Dallas Police Department, and, accordingly, does not know of any effort made by the Dallas Police Department to correct any allegations made against MOLINA and the suspicions of MOLINA allegedly voiced in the press.

Captain KING said he does not believe he ever mentioned MOLINA's name to newsmen. He said to the best of his present recollection, he had briefly visited the Homicide Bureau of the Dallas Police Department on Saturday morning, November 23, 1963, and had been approached by newsmen in the hall outside that Bureau as he left. In answer to questions by newsmen, he told them that there was a person being interrogated by the Homicide Bureau, that this person was not under arrest, that this person had been asked to come to the Police Department for questioning, and had done so voluntarily.

Captain KING said he believes one of the newsmen did mention MOLINA's name to him, that he said to this newsman that he, KING, had not mentioned MOLINA's name and preferred not to talk about anyone by name.

He said he does not recall having commented about any subversive affiliations or connections on the part of the individual being questioned. He believes he had been told by someone in the Police Department that MOLINA had been connected with some questionable organization, but he does not remember who gave him this information, or the identity of the organization in question. He said he is not familiar with the American GI Forum and does not know whether this was or was not the organization mentioned.

He said he believes Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY also talked with the press concerning the interrogation of

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MOLINA, but he does not know what was said by CURRY. He said he does not know of any other police officials who talked with the press concerning MOLINA.

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Lieutenant Colonel W. P. GANNAWAY, U. S. Army Reserve, was interviewed during a two-week period of active duty at a Fourth Army Intelligence School.

He said that he is a captain on the Dallas, Texas, Police Department in charge of the Special Service Bureau. He will be called Captain GANNAWAY hereinafter.

Captain GANNAWAY explained that the Special Service Bureau includes narcotics, vice and criminal intelligence sections. He said that the Criminal Intelligence Section does not maintain files which are known as "subversive" files; however, they do accumulate and file information concerning numerous organizations so that the information will be available to the Department in discharging their normal duties.

Captain GANNAWAY remembered that on November 22, 1963, the date of the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY, that he obtained from a Justice of the Peace a search warrant for the premises of JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA who was employed at the Texas School Book Depository. The search warrant was for a search of MOLINA's residential premises.

Captain GANNAWAY said that he, accompanied by Lieutenant JACK REVILL, two or three other unrecalled officers and BILL ALEXANDER of the District Attorney's Office, went to MOLINA's home to conduct the search. As best he could recall, they arrived there at approximately 3:00 a.m., November 23, 1963.

He said that MOLINA, his wife and four children were all awake when they arrived, and MOLINA said he had not been asleep. Captain GANNAWAY identified himself to MOLINA and introduced the other officers and Mr. ALEXANDER who accompanied him and told MOLINA their identities. MOLINA invited all the officers in and when advised that they desired to search his premises, he gave an oral permission for the search. The warrant was not mentioned to MOLINA and it was returned unexecuted.

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He said that the officers searched MOLINA's premises for weapons, ammunition, explosives or anything else to connect MOLINA with LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Nothing was found except a list of the members of the American G.I. Forum and the names of these members were copied.

Captain GANNAWAY said that he asked MOLINA when it would be convenient for him to come to the Dallas Police Department later that day and they agreed that 11:00 a.m. would be convenient for him.

MOLINA did come to the Dallas Police Department at the appointed time, whereupon MOLINA was taken to the office of Captain of Detectives WILL FRITZ. Captain GANNAWAY had no part in any interview of MOLINA in Captain FRITZ's office. After the interview was over in Captain FRITZ's office, MOLINA came back to Captain GANNAWAY's office where officers of the Special Service Bureau took an affidavit from him concerning his membership in the American G. I. Forum. As Captain GANNAWAY remembered, MOLINA said that he had been a member of that organization for many years but was not a member during 1963 because he had not paid his dues.

Captain GANNAWAY said that he made no release of any kind concerning MOLINA to either radio, television or the newspapers. He said that he did not tell anyone that MOLINA was under arrest or that he was a member of a subversive group. He commented that there were many press representatives at the police department that day, November 23, 1963, and that someone may have asked Captain GANNAWAY who MOLINA was and he may have given MOLINA's name. He said that he might even have told some press representatives that MOLINA's name was in the police department files. He said he would have been perfectly justified in making those statements but he was sure that he gave no one any information about MOLINA other than that.

Captain GANNAWAY said that he had nothing whatever to do with MOLINA being separated from the Texas School Book Depository.

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He related that about two or three months ago OTTO E. MULLINAX, an attorney who, according to information available to the police, was a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, came to Captain GANNAWAY to interview him in connection with suits that MOLINA had either filed or was contemplating against a Dallas radio station and possibly others. He said that MULLINAX showed him a clipping of an article from some newspaper that did not mention MOLINA's name but apparently referred to him. Captain GANNAWAY said that he told MULLINAX that he had given no press release concerning MOLINA. He also told him that the matter of the President's assassination was under investigation by various agencies and he refused to give MULLINAX any other information.

Captain GANNAWAY said that he had no objection to making a signed statement to the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning his knowledge of this matter but that he would prefer to have access to his records so that he could refresh his memory and assure himself of the strict accuracy of what he might incorporate in such a statement. He also stated that he would be happy to provide copies of any desired material from his files or to make available any information from his files that the Federal Bureau of Investigation might desire.

He said that he would return to Dallas from his military duty on July 27, 1964. He said he had various lectures scheduled out of Dallas on that date but would be available for further interview on July 28, 1964, or thereafter.

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WILLIAM PAUL GANNAWAY, Captain, Special Service Bureau, Police Department, Dallas, Texas, on August 19, 1964, was interviewed at his office at which time he furnished a signed statement as follows:

"Dallas, Texas
August 19, 1964

"I, William Paul Gannaway, make the following voluntary statement to Robert P. Butler and Edwin D. Kuykendall who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the FBI.

"I am employed as Captain, Special Service Bureau, Police Department, Dallas, Texas.

"The Dallas Police Department has no file concerning Joe Rodriguez Molina. The Special Service Bureau has a file concerning the American G. I. Forum, Dallas Chapter, which reflects Joe Rodriguez Molina was a member of the Dallas Chapter.

"At about 2:00 a.m., November 23, 1963, I went to 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, with Lieutenant Jack Revill, Detectives H. M. Hart, P. M. Parks, R. W. Westphal, all of the Special Service Bureau, Dallas Police Department, and Assistant District Attorney Bill Alexander, Dallas County. I had a search warrant in my possession issued by Judge David Johnson for the residence located at 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, Texas, occupied by Joe Rodriguez Molina.

"When we arrived at this location and knocked on the front door, Joe Rodriguez Molina came to the

door and I introduced myself as Captain Gannaway from the Dallas Police Department. Molina invited us into his house, and after we entered, I introduced all of the officers by name and Mr. Bill Alexander by name. Molina made a remark stating that he had been expecting us. I told him that we were there to question him in regard to Lee Harvey Oswald and the assassination of President Kennedy, and that we would like to search his residence. He invited us to search his home and stated that we would not find anything.

"The search warrant was not executed and on his oral permission we searched Molina's premises for weapons, ammunition, explosives or anything else that might connect Molina with Lee Harvey Oswald. Nothing was found except some papers concerning the American G. I. Forum. Among those papers was a 1958-59 year book of the American G. I. Forum which contained a list of names and addresses of members and officers of the Dallas Chapter of that organization. It identified Joe Molina as Chairman of that chapter, 1958-59 and as a past chairman, 1955-56. It reflected that chapter was organized in September, 1954. I recognized some of the names therein as names of individuals who have been suspected by me in the past of being Communist Party members, and I also noticed the name of Joe Molina, 4306 Brown Street, Dallas, therein. Nothing was found in that search that established Joe Molina was a member of or active in any subversive organization.

"I told Molina that Captain Fritz of the Homicide Bureau would like to talk to him, and he stated that he would be at the Police Department at 11:00 a.m. and would meet us at the office of the Special Service Bureau. We then left.

"Joe Rodriguez Molina came to the office of the Special Service Bureau at 11:00 a.m., and Lieutenant Revill took him to the Homicide Bureau and left him there. When the Homicide Bureau finished talking with Molina, he returned to the Special Service Bureau where Lieutenant Jack Revill and Detective H. M. Hart talked to him and took an affidavit from him pertaining to his association with the American G. I. Forum. I recall that Molina told me he had been a member of the G. I. Forum for many years but was not a member during 1963 because he had not paid his dues. He was not under arrest by the Dallas Police Department at the time the above events took place.

"I have made no release of any kind concerning Joe Rodriguez Molina to either radio, television or the newspapers. I did not tell anyone that Molina was under arrest, or that he was a member of a subversive group. There were many press representatives at the Dallas Police Department on November 23, 1963, and the possibility exists that someone may have asked me who Molina was, and I may have mentioned Molina's name. I do not recall that anyone asked me that. The possibility exists that some press representative that day might have asked me if Molina's name was ever in the police department files. If I had been asked such a question, I would have made an affirmative answer, but I would not have specified any details concerning that name being in Dallas Police files. I do not recall having made any comment of that nature to any press representatives that day or any other time concerning Molina. I at no time made any comment to any press representatives to the effect that Molina was ever connected with any subversive organization or had any subversive affiliation. So far as I know the Dallas Police Department has never released any comments of that nature concerning Molina which could have resulted in the press at Dallas voicing such allegations.

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"I had no knowledge that Joe Rodriguez Molina lost his job at the Texas School Book Depository, Dallas, until two or three months ago when Otto B. Mullinax, a Dallas Attorney, came to me to interview me concerning civil suits that Molina had either filed or was contemplating filing against a Dallas radio station and possibly others. Mullinax showed me a clipping of an article from some newspaper, identity not recalled, that did not mention Molina's name but apparently referred to him. I told him I had given no press release concerning Molina. I also told him President Kennedy's assassination was under investigation by various agencies, and I declined to give Mullinax any further information. I have no other information concerning Molina's loss of his employment and have no information as to whether he has had any difficulty in finding employment. I have no knowledge as to how any unfavorable allegations concerning him came to be voiced by the press. Since the Dallas Police Department had not issued any release of that nature to the press, the Dallas Police Department has no retractions to make.

"I have read the foregoing 5 page statement and to the best of my memory it is true and correct.

"William Paul Gannaway

"Witnesses

"Edwin D. Kuykendall

Robert P. Butler

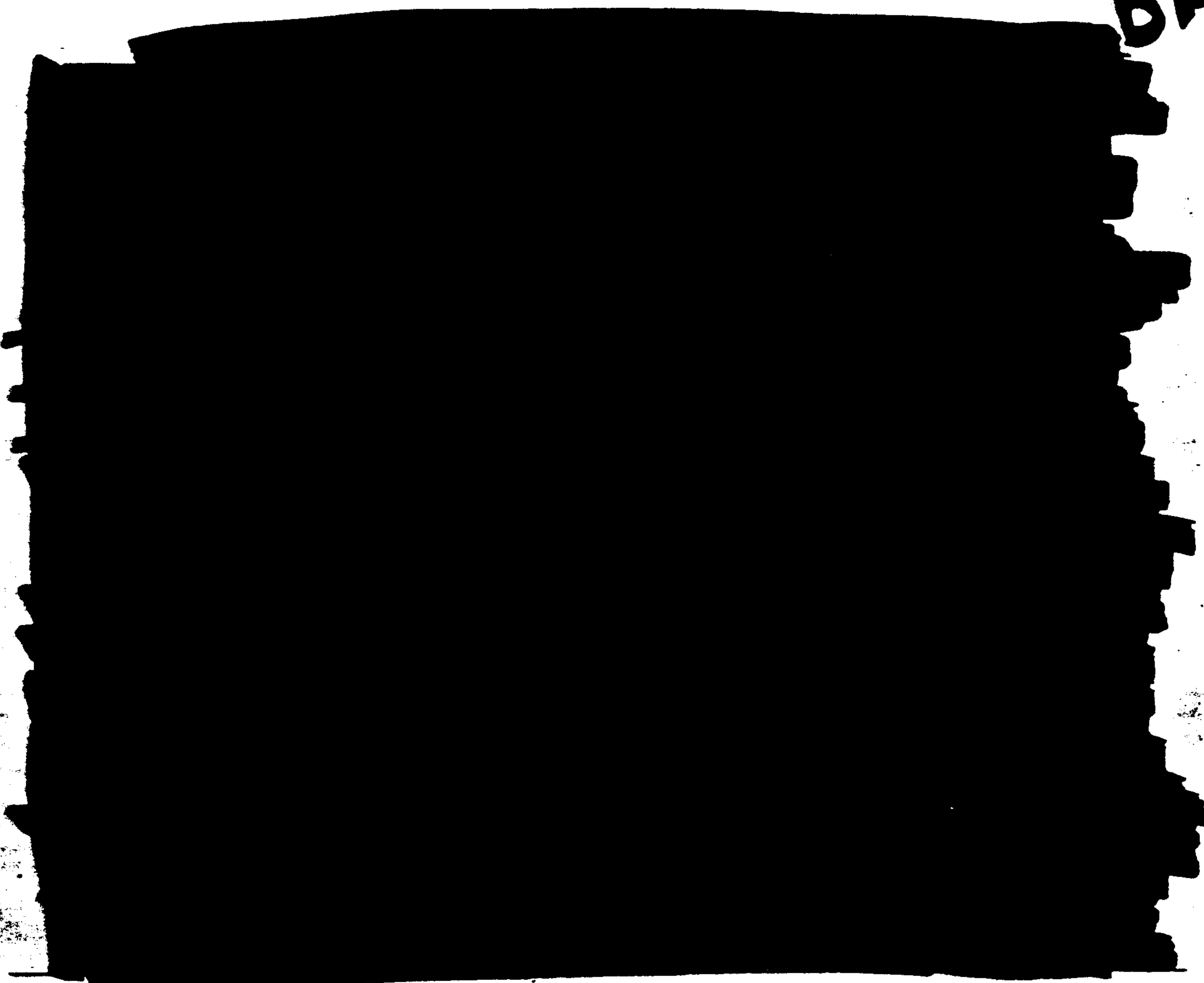
Special Agents, FBI, Dallas, Texas"

Date 7/17/64

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Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY, Dallas, Texas Police Department, advised that neither the U. S. Department of Justice nor any of its agencies gave the Dallas Police Department any information concerning subversive or related activities of JOE R. MOLINA, an employee of the Texas School Book Depository, Dallas, Texas.

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on 7/16/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 100-9847
by Special Agents VINCENT E. DRAIN and W. JAMES WOOD /eah/jtf Date dictated 7/16/64

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Chief CURRY related that on November 23, 1963, MOLINA gave an affidavit to Detective WILLIAM S. BIGGIO, of the Dallas Police Department, to the effect that he was instrumental in forming the G. I. Forum in 1955 with the help of one Mr. JESSE GARCIA, of Fort Worth, Texas, who was from the Fort Worth G. I. Forum. Chief CURRY related that MOLINA had stated in this affidavit that the following individuals became charter members of the Dallas G. I. Forum group:

- EDMUND VILLASANA
- FELIX BOTELLO
- BILL LOWERY
- JOE LANDIN
- AUGUSTIN ESTRADA

In this affidavit, according to CURRY, MOLINA stated he did not renew his membership in the G. I. Forum after July, 1962.

Chief CURRY related that Captain W. P. GANNAWAY, of the Special Service Bureau, of the Dallas Police Department, went

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to MOLINA's home in the early morning hours of November 23, 1963, with other officers of the Dallas Police Department and talked with MOLINA. Chief CURRY related that Captain GANNAWAY had told him that, when GANNAWAY arrived at MOLINA's home, MOLINA told GANNAWAY he had been expecting him or officers from the Dallas Police Department. During the time that GANNAWAY talked with MOLINA, MOLINA gave a voluntary consent of search to GANNAWAY and MOLINA's home was searched. CURRY related that MOLINA appeared voluntarily at the Dallas Police Department on November 23, 1963, for questioning since he was an employee of the Texas School Book Depository. CURRY related that MOLINA was never under arrest at any time when he was at the Police Department. CURRY related that many employees of the Texas School Book Depository were asked to come to the Dallas Police Department for help in any way concerning the assassination of the President.

CURRY related that he did not recall talking about MOLINA to the press and that if he did make any mention it was probably concerning the G. I. Forum. CURRY stated from his memory he could not recall anything he might have said, but he did not recall calling MOLINA by name and, therefore, as far as he knew no retraction or efforts to correct anything that MOLINA may have construed as allegations against him were necessary by the Dallas Police Department.

CURRY related that it is his understanding MOLINA has filed a lawsuit against Radio Station WRR, which is owned by the City of Dallas, for false statements made by the Dallas Police Department, which were allegedly quoted by Radio Station WRR. He stated this suit is No. 86946-B, filed April 30, 1964, in the court of Dallas District Judge JULIAN HYER. However, CURRY stated he could not furnish any details of the lawsuit since he was not acquainted with same.

CURRY stated that although he refers to the organization as the G. I. Forum he knows this organization to be identical to the American G. I. Forum.

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IV. INTERVIEW WITH OFFICIALS OF
TEXAS SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY