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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-1639)
SUBJECT: JACK L. RUBY, Aka.;
LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Aka. - VICTIM
(DECEASED)
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RE: Bureau airtel dated 12-12-63.

RE: ALLEGATION THAT JACK LEON RUBY AND OFFICER
J.D. TIPPIT WERE ACQUAINTED

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A summary of information in the file pertinent to this allegation is as follows:

On 11-28-63, Mrs. STELLA COFFMAN, 13121 Twin Oaks, Mesquite, Texas, stated that JACK RUBY knew numerous officers of the Dallas PD, including Officer TIPPIT who was killed by LEE HARVEY OSWALD. She stated that Officer TIPPIT patrolled the area of the Silver Spur at 1717 S. Ervay, Dallas, and made numerous visits to the club. She stated he was a close friend of RUBY.

On 12-12-63, Mrs. COFFMAN was shown a photo of J. D. TIPPIT and she stated he is not the person she had in mind when she previously advised she knew Officer TIPPIT who was shot by OSWALD and was not the person she had in mind when she stated Officer TIPPIT was a close friend of RUBY. She could not recall ever having previously seen J.D. TIPPIT.

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On 12-9-63, Cpt. W. R. WESTBROOK, Personnel Division, Dallas PD, advised that a check of information in the personnel records of J. D. TIPPIT failed to reveal any information indicating that Officer J.D. TIPPIT was acquainted with RUBY.

On 12-10-63, Sergeant C. B. OWENS, Oak Cliff Station, Dallas Police Department advised that Officer J. D. TIPPIT has worked under his supervision practically ever since the latter began working at the Dallas Police Department. To his knowledge, Officer TIPPIT has never been assigned to an area which includes the known residence addresses and business addresses of RUBY. Sgt. OWENS was almost positive Officer TIPPIT did not know RUBY. He is certain he had no opportunity to frequent the Silver Spur at 1717 S. Ervay while employed by the Dallas PD.

On 12-16-63, Detective GAYLE M. TIPPIT, Special Services Bureau, Dallas PD, advised he first met RUBY soon after starting work for the Dallas Police Department in 1950. At that time RUBY was operating the Silver Spur at 1717 S. Ervay and it was necessary for Detective TIPPIT to check this night club periodically in the discharge of his duties. He also at a later date checked the establishments at the Vegas Club and the Carousel Club operated by RUBY. These were his only contacts with RUBY. He stated that he ran orderly establishments and would not allow any disorderly conduct. He was friendly and helpful to the patrolling officers and requested no favors of them.

It is also noted that on 11-24-63, RUBY advised that he was not personally acquainted with J.D. TIPPIT.

The above information indicates that RUBY is acquainted with GAYLE M. TIPPIT, Detective, Special Services

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Bureau, Dallas Police Department, but is not
acquainted with J. D. TIPPIT.