

SAC, Indianapolis (97-)

January 24, 1964

Director, FBI (97-New)

H. S. MIKESSELL
RA - LATIN AMERICA

Re Dallas airtel 1-13-64 captioned *JACK L. RUBY,
aka; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka (Deceased) - VICTIM, CR.

Bureau files reveal one Dr. Herbert S. Mikesell,
1514 1/2 East Main Street, Richmond, Indiana, has written to the
Bureau and Indianapolis from time to time relative to suggestions
he proposed for solution of major crimes, unfounded complaints,
and data in which we have no interest.

This Dr. Mikesell was interviewed by Indianapolis
on 7-15-37, at which time he advised he was 48 years old
and had previously volunteered information to Federal Prohibition
Agents. He had written a letter to the Attorney General on
5-19-37, in order to obtain money for any service he might
perform or for information he might furnish in connection with
official investigations.

He admitted he had no information concerning matters
within jurisdiction of the FBI. During conversation he
frequently strayed considerably from the line of thought he was
attempting to develop, and gave every indication of being
mentally unbalanced along lines of criminal investigative
procedures.

[Ellis Duckett, Chief of Detectives,] Richmond, Indiana,
in August, 1937, advised Dr. Mikesell was an amateur private
detective who drank heavily, and whose mind was very flighty.

Another interview with this Dr. Mikesell by
Indianapolis in November, 1939, revealed he was [an apparent
psychopathic case. Indianapolis reported it was evident he
did not possess a sound and balanced mind.]

Noted report of SA K. R. Schroeder in Katnap Case
dated 12-11-37 at Indianapolis reports interview of Dr. Mikesell
of 1514 1/2 Main Street, Richmond.

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Letter to SAC, Indianapolis
Re: H. S. MIKESELL

Indianapolis fully identify subject and, if warranted, determine if his activities are in violation of the provisions of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

Surep under above caption.

NOTE:

Jack Ruby received a letter at Dallas County Jail written on letterhead of "H. S. MIKESELL, B. SC.; PS. D.; M.J.D.; LL. D.; Consultant to Latin American Nations, Desiring Medical Missionary Supplies, 410 1/2 Pearl Street, 1449 Hunt St., Richmond Indiana U.S.A." In letter subject advised Ruby he contended President Kennedy would not be dead if Secret Service and FBI had performed their duty.

Dallas suggested Indianapolis determine whether subject's Consultant of Latin American Nations activities would bring him within the purview of the Foreign Agents Registration Act.