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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-24016)
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 FROM : SAC, DALLAS (44-1639) - P -

SUBJECT: JACK L. RUBY, aka;
 LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
 (Deceased) - VICTIM
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 OO: Dallas

Bureau attention is directed to pages 174 and 175 of report of SA MANNING C. CLEMENTS, January 17, 1964.

This insert to the report refers to a communication transmitted to RUBY in an envelope postmarked December 8, 1963, at Portland, Oregon, addressed to JACK RUBINSTEIN, in care of the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas. The writer of such letter directly inferred an acquaintance between RUBY and OSWALD. Attached to the letter was what appeared to be a reproduced snapshot or other photograph of an unidentified person who was referred to in the letter as the individual with whom the writer of the letter (identified only as FRED) had gone to RUBY's night club and had been introduced to RUBY. Thereupon, the writer infers OSWALD entered. The writer stated a few days later RUBY and OSWALD were together. He stated "this person", referring to the individual appearing in the photograph, "is back East now" and had said "as long as OSWALD is dead now he hoped that you will never talk".

After SA EDMOND C. HARDIN conducted such investigation as was logical in Dallas in effort to identify the person appearing in the photograph, with negative results, SA HARDIN directed communication on January 10, 1964, to the Portland Office. The letter to RUBY was quoted and a copy of the

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photograph mentioned was enclosed to Portland. Portland was requested to exhibit the photograph to appropriate members of the Portland Police Department in effort to identify the unknown individual in the photograph.

By communication January 20, 1964, Portland Office advised the photograph had been exhibited to the members of the Portland Police Department through roll-call procedure and extensive inquiry was conducted thereafter by police without effecting an identification of the photograph as that of anyone in the Portland area.

Portland advised, however, that Lieutenant WILLIAM BRYAN, Portland Police Department, after a search of a number of past issues of the Saturday Evening Post, called attention to the October 26, 1963 issue which includes an article beginning on page 28 entitled "They Call Me Tiger Lil". At the bottom of page 32 in connection with the article are the photographs of four men. The one at the extreme bottom right bears the underline "the late VINCENT BLANEY, accused burglar, whose body was found in Atlantic Ocean".

The article in question concerns showgirl LILLIAN REIS, also known as LILLIAN REIS CORADI, who faces a new trial on charges of organizing a bizarre four-man burglary of nearly one-half million dollars. The offense was concerned with the burglary of the home of JOHN B. RICH, Pottsville, Pennsylvania coal mine owner. The article states VINCENT BLANEY disappeared August 3, 1960 and the remains of his body were taken from the ocean off Atlantic City August 23, 1960. He had been shot in the back of the head with a small caliber bullet.

The Portland Office advised the photograph of BLANEY was no doubt identical to the photograph in question and that examination of the photograph supplied by Dallas, under microscope, discloses it is actually a print from the publication rather than an actual snapshot.

It is believed the investigation by SA EDMOND C. HARDIN which was followed up by his resourcefulness in setting out the lead for the Portland Division exemplified the highest caliber investigation. It is recommended SA HARDIN be commended by the Director in this regard.

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The identity of the Special Agent who conducted investigation in Portland is not indicated. It is suggested the SAC, Portland may desire to consider a recommendation regarding this Special Agent whose investigation resulted in positive identification of the previously unknown individual.

It is recommended Lieutenant WILLIAM BRYAN, Portland Police Department, be commended by the Director for his pursuit of this lead and his resourcefulness which resulted in the identification of the unknown individual as VINCENT BLANEY. It is suggested that SAC, Portland advise the Bureau in the event it is felt such commendation is not justified or otherwise desirable.

The importance of running out this lead is evident, since there was a direct allegation of an OSWALD-RUBY connection. Inasmuch as BLANEY was found dead August 23, 1960, he obviously could not have been in RUBY's club in Dallas "last May" as is stated in the letter to RUBY. This circumstance eliminates necessity for any further investigation in the above regard.