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Date April 16, 1964

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JACK MARCUS, Attorney, 134 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised he visited Havana, Cuba, for four days and three nights early in September, 1959, during the Labor Day weekend. He stated he was accompanied on this visit by SHERWIN BRAUN and JAY BISHOV, also of Chicago, Illinois.

MARCUS informed that they traveled to Miami, Florida, in BRAUN's privately owned automobile and stayed at the Nautilus Hotel located on Collins Avenue in Miami Beach, Florida. MARCUS stated they checked out of the Nautilus Hotel the day prior to leaving for Havana, Cuba, from Key West, Florida. He explained that he and his friends knew they would be out most of the night and planned to drive to Key West, Florida, early in the morning, so they checked out of the hotel the day before leaving for Key West. After driving to Key West, Florida, they left their automobile in an adjacent parking lot and purchased tickets on the "Q" Airlines, which MARCUS described as a Cuban-owned airline. He stated further that they obtained their visas or travel permits to Cuba at the same place where they purchased their travel tickets. MARCUS stated there was little or no problem in obtaining these permits or visas, and that little background data was requested for same. He recalled that they flew to Havana in the afternoon, and that the airplane was definitely Cuban as the personnel on the plane were Cuban.

MARCUS stated he believes that it was on the third night or last night that they were in Havana, Cuba, that he saw JACK RUBY at the Tropicana Night Club. He added that he could not elaborate any further concerning this meeting other than that information furnished on November 25, 1963.

MARCUS reiterated that he is certain this visit to Havana took place over the Labor Day weekend of 1959;

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however, he did not recall the exact days and nights he was there. He stated that they returned to Key West, Florida, via the same airlines they had used in going over to Havana, Cuba.

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JAY (No Middle Name) BISHOV, Attorney, business address 5152 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised he visited Havana, Cuba, for a period of four days and three nights over the Labor Day weekend of 1959. He advised he was accompanied on this visit by his friends, JACK MARCUS and SHERWIN BRAUN.

BISHOV stated that they traveled to Miami, Florida, in SHERWIN BRAUN's privately owned automobile and stayed in the Nautilus Hotel in Miami Beach while there. He stated further that they checked out of this hotel the day before leaving for Havana, Cuba, from Key West, Florida. He continued by saying that they drove from Miami Beach to Key West, Florida, where they left the automobile in a parking lot at or near the airport. He stated further that they purchased tickets from the Airways "Q" for their flight to Havana, Cuba, and also obtained their visas or travel permits at the same counter where they purchased their tickets. BISHOV advised he could not recall exactly what these visas or travel permits consisted of; however, he noted they had to furnish little background information in order to obtain them. He informed that the Airways "Q" was a Cuban airline and the personnel on the airplane were Cuban.

BISHOV stated he could not elaborate any further concerning the previous information he furnished on November 25, 1963, regarding seeing JACK RUBY at the Tropicana Night Club in Havana, Cuba.

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SHERWIN BRAUN, Architect, business address 140 East Ontario, Chicago, Illinois, advised that on the Labor Day weekend of 1959, he, accompanied by JAY BISHOV and JACK MARCUS, visited Havana, Cuba, for a period of three nights and four days. He stated they were on a Florida vacation prior to returning to their respective schools in Chicago, Illinois.

BRAUN stated he drove his privately owned automobile on this trip to Miami, Florida, and that they stayed at the Nautilus Hotel located on Collins Avenue in Miami Beach, Florida. BRAUN informed that the day after checking out of the Nautilus Hotel, they drove to Key West, Florida, and left the automobile in a lot nearby the airport at Key West, Florida. He stated further that they flew to Havana, Cuba, via the Airways "Q", a Cuban airlines, and that the personnel on the airplane were Cuban. BRAUN also stated that they obtained their visas or entry permits to Cuba at the same counter where they purchased their travel tickets. He advised he could not recall exactly what this visa or entry permit consisted of; however, he described it as a small piece of paper or document with little background information on it.

BRAUN stated he could not recall exactly what days they were in Havana, Cuba; however, he is certain it was over the Labor Day weekend of 1959. He advised that it was on the third or last night in Havana that the meeting with JACK RUBY took place at approximately 4 a.m. in the casino section of the Tropicana Night Club. He added he could not elaborate any more concerning this meeting other than the information he had furnished on November 25, 1963.

BRAUN advised he and his friends returned to Key West, Florida, via the Airways "Q", and reiterated that he is certain this was a Cuban airline.

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On April 14, 1964, at the request of IC RICHARD D. ALLEN, Mrs. JENNIE BEATO, Chief, Mail and File Unit, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Chicago, checked that agency's records for any information concerning JACK MARCUS, JAY BISHOV, and SHERWIN BRAUN. No record of any kind was found for these three individuals.

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Mrs. MANUEL QUEVEDO, Secretary, Aero Center Airlines, McAllister Hotel, advised that she and her husband formerly owned and operated an airlines known as Aerevisa Q. She said this was commonly known as the "Q" Airlines and as part of its service maintained a regular schedule between Key West, Florida, and Havana, Cuba. She related that on January 1, 1959, FIDEL CASTRO seized this airlines and she and her husband were removed from any control of the airlines. She said they never had any further management of the airlines and she has no idea what became of any records after January 1, 1959. She noted the airlines no longer is in operation.

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LOUIS POLLACK, Assistant Manager, Nautilus Hotel, 1825 Collins Avenue, advised that this hotel was closed from 1960 to 1962. He stated that when the hotel reopened, many of the old records were destroyed. He searched his old files kept in a storage room and was able to locate a box of registration cards for the years 1958 and 1959. He made a complete search of these cards, but could locate no registration under the names JACK MARCUS, JAY BISHOV or SHERWIN BRAUN. POLLACK said he had no way of determining whether or not this box of cards was complete for the years 1958 and 1959. He further advised that a check of all his records since the hotel reopened was negative for any registration in the above names.

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Files of the Dallas FBI Office reflect Mr. R. L. ADAMS, President of Plastelite, 920 Foch Street, Fort Worth, Texas, was interviewed by SA FRANK J. HUDSON in 1952 in connection with an official investigation. He advised his company was formed on April 1, 1941, with ADAMS as President. At that time it appeared Plastelite was engaged at least in part in the manufacture of certain aircraft parts.

Files reflect SA EARLE HALEY interviewed RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS, 3521 Dorothy Lane, South, Fort Worth, Texas, President of Plastelite (reported as Pastelite) Engineering Company, 920 Foch Street, Fort Worth, on December 9, 1963, in connection with this investigation. Mr. ADAMS informed his firm in August or September, 1963, began the manufacture of a small item called the "twist board" used by dancers in performing "the twist." He informed that in the latter part of September, 1963, he received a telephone call from JACK RUBY and had additional contacts with RUBY thereafter in connection with the sale and promotion of the "twist board."

In interview on November 24, 1963, JACK RUBY advised SA C. RAY HALL he had recently been trying to sell an item known as the "twist board" which is manufactured by Plasti-Lite Products, Incorporated, owned by LLOYD ADAMS of Fort Worth, Texas. The notation "Plaste-Lite, Inc., R. L. Adams, 920 Foch, Fort Worth, ED 5-1266," appeared among numerous items removed from RUBY's person by Dallas Police Department on November 24, 1963. Previous investigation has established that a number of telephone calls were made by RUBY to telephone ED 5-1266 during the period September 26, 1963, through November 22, 1963.

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Records of Dun and Bradstreet at Fort Worth, Texas, as checked by SA B. TOM CARTER on April 21, 1964, reflect that the Plastelite Engineering Company (Incorporated), is located at 920 Foch Street, Fort Worth, Texas. The officers are RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS, President; Mrs. LLOYD (MARIE S.) ADAMS, Vice President; MILLARD M. PANNILL, Vice President and Secretary, and JOHN L. ABBOTT, Vice President. The Directors are listed as the officers.

SUMMARY: Debt heavy. Worth primarily in fixed assets. Trade slowness continuing. Seven Federal Tax liens of record, also three judgments.

This company manufactures fabricated veneer products, including plastic table and counter tops which account for 35% of its business. It also manufactures oil field specialty items such as plastic compressor valve plates, flange installation, pipe fittings, rod padding, piston rings, and valves which account for 65% of the business. The company's sales are approximately \$100,000 per year. It employs 25 people. It owns a one-story concrete block building with about 10,000 square feet. This building is located in the industrial area of Fort Worth at 920 Foch Street.

The company was chartered under Texas laws on June 28, 1950, and provided for 2,500 shares at \$10 per share. In 1954 the capitalization was increased to \$50,000.

ADAMS, who is the President and principal owner, was born in 1900, is married, and is a native of Missouri. ADAMS was employed for several years by a life insurance company in Kansas City, Missouri, and he later worked for a wholesale house as a salesman until 1940. In 1940 he bought a one-half interest in a business then operated by the sole owner, JOHN L. ABBOTT. In 1954 he bought out ABBOTT's interest.

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The following investigation was conducted at Fort Worth, Texas, on April 21, 1964, by IC JAMES VON WHITE:

[Mr. DAVID PLUMLEY,] Identification Division, Sheriff's Office; [F. M. ALEXANDER,] Identification Division, Police Department, and [Mrs. BARBARA LEE,] Records Bureau, Police Department, all Fort Worth, Texas, stated they have no record on Mrs. RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS, MILLARD M. PANNILL, or JOHN L. ABBOTT. [Mr. PLUMLEY and Mr. ALEXANDER] had no record for RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS. However, [Mrs. BARBARA LEE,] Records Bureau, Police Department, stated her records reflected that RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS, white male, age 59, born October 17, 1903, at Forney, Texas, was arrested at 5300 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, on September 20, 1963, at 3:45 a.m., on a charge of disturbing the peace and using abusive language. Her records reflected he was released on the same day after he put up a cash bond in the amount of \$40. No disposition was shown.

On April 21, 1964, [Operator 96,] Retail Merchants Credit Association, Fort Worth, stated their records reflected that RICHARD LLOYD ADAMS, wife MARIE S., Post Office Box 412, resides at 3521 Dorothy Lane in Fort Worth. He has been part owner and Vice President since 1938 of the Plastelite Engineering Company. He owes several past due accounts and his credit rating is not satisfactory.

On April 21, 1964, [Operator 96,] Retail Merchants Credit Association, Fort Worth, stated she had no record on JOHN L. ABBOTT.

On April 21, 1964, [Operator 105,] Retail Merchants Credit Association, stated that MILLARD M. PANNILL, wife JOYCE, resides at 6609 Sheridan Road. He is listed as Secretary and Treasurer of the Plastelite Engineering Company. He has been in their files since May 21, 1947, and has a satisfactory credit rating.

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The following notations appeared in the effects of JACK L. RUBY, taken from his person following his arrest by Dallas, Texas Police Department, November 24, 1963:

"TU 3-7718, Herb Eden, 928 N. Clarke,
Los Angeles, California, OL 2-3849."

Investigation has previously established a station to station telephone call was made from Dallas telephone WH 1-5601, 223 S. Ewing, Apartment 207, Dallas (residence of JACK RUBY) on October 19, 1963, at 3:53 a.m., duration 32 minutes, to telephone OL 2-3849, Beverly Hills, California. It has been established through telephone company records the above telephone was listed to HERBERT EDEN, 928 Clarke Street, Beverly Hills, as of the date of the call.

In interview November 28, 1963, HERBERT EDEN, then residing at 3846 Beverly Ridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California, advised he had moved a few days previously from 928 Clarke Street, Los Angeles, where he had telephone number OL 2-3849. He identified himself as a comedian who had appeared at the Colony Club, Dallas, in October, 1962, and again in late 1962 or early 1963. He professed to have met RUBY during his first booking at the Colony Club which was located near the Carousel Club operated by RUBY. He stated he had received a telephone call from RUBY about two weeks prior to interview at which time RUBY attempted to engage EDEN to perform at RUBY's club.

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ROBERT DUPUY, membership clerk, American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), 6636 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, California, advised SA JOHN M. CASHEL on April 20, 1964 as follows:

HERBERT EDEN, 3846 Beverly Ridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California, classified as a master of ceremonies, comic-burlesque, was a previous member of AGVA, and rejoined in May, 1962. His social security number is 119-24-7570, his age 31, weight 165, height 5 feet 9 inches, and he has hazel eyes and black hair. He is currently employed at the Body Shop on Sunset Strip in Hollywood, and his file does not indicate he has used any other name. His main file is at AGVA headquarters, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York 17, New York.

WILLIAM FEINSTEIN, partner, York Club, 7210 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised SA PHILLIP B. DEILY as follows on April 23, 1964:

He has been affiliated with the York Club, a cocktail lounge and burlesque house, for nineteen years. HERBERT EDEN, whom he has known for about six years, has worked for him at the York Club intermittently as a master of ceremonies for approximately one year over the past five years. He has only occasional contact with EDEN currently, who is presently employed at the Body Shop, a burlesque spot, on Sunset Boulevard in Hollywood.

EDEN is a person of average ability, dependable and of good character. He has never had any reason to question EDEN's loyalty, and EDEN does not drink. He (EDEN) never seems to have very much money, but this may be partly due to the fact that his wife was seriously injured in an automobile accident several years ago, and the resulting medical expenses were very heavy. He considers EDEN to be a normal, average type individual and a good citizen.

Records at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office and at the Los Angeles Police Department were checked on April 20, 1964 by IC PAUL H. CHAMBERLAIN, JR. No record identifiable with HERBERT EDEN, 3846 Beverly Ridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California, was located.

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[MARY RHINEHART,] Clerk, Retail Merchants Credit Association, Los Angeles, California, advised SA PHILLIP B. DEILY on April 20, 1964 as follows:

Her records reflect a file for HERBERT EDEN, 3846 Beverly Ridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California, opened in January, 1964. EDEN is 33 years old, and has been manager of the Body Shop, 8250 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California, since 1959.

EDEN has a medium three figure checking account at the Bank of America, Sunset-Wetherly Branch, Hollywood, California. One account is a bank loan from this bank, negotiated in October, 1963 with a high of \$800.00, a balance of \$788.00 and this account is too new to rate. The file shows a clothing account with Harris & Frank, with a high of \$152.00, a balance of \$105.00 and this account is also too new to rate. One account with Tucker TV, paid off in January, 1963, is rated as prompt. Another account, a bank loan, opened in March, 1963 and closed in October, 1963, is rated as slow, but satisfactory.

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Harold J. Keenan, head of the Membership Section, American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), Room 910, at 551 Fifth Avenue, furnished the following information concerning Herbert Eden, membership number 121703 in the AGVA:

His stage name is Herb Eden and his legal name is Herbert Eden Lambert. He applied for membership in the AGVA February 19, 1960 and paid \$25.00 on account. He was dropped as a member after ninety days when he did not pay in full the initiation fee of \$150.00. His address as of that time was 928 Clarke Street, Beverly Hills, California.

He reapplied for membership May 28, 1962 and paid in full the initiation fee as required. His application dated May 28, 1962 reflected the following background data concerning Eden:

He is thirty-one years of age. He resided at 928 N. Clarke Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone OL 2-3849. He is a United States citizen. His occupation was comic. He was then performing at the York Club in Los Angeles, California, and his agency was listed as Creative Artist Management, 8380 Melrose, Los Angeles, California. He had been an actor for three years and had previously performed at the Jazzville Club and the Desert Inn (location not given). His act consisted of standup comedy - monologue. His father was listed as Max Lambert, Squam Kum Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey.

He furnished a change of address as of January 27, 1964 as 3846 Beverly Ridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California. His Social Security Number is listed as 119-24-7570.

On 4/21/64 of New York, New York File # NY 44-974
 by SA JAMES J. ROGERS:aam Date dictated 4/22/64

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ART WAYNE, Television Producer and Director, 1970 Mandeville Canyon Road, Brentwood, California, furnished the following information:

He has recently returned from a picture making trip in Africa and was out of the country at the time of ex-President KENNEDY's death. He and JACK RUBY were childhood friends in Chicago many years ago. He resided on the West side of Chicago some four or five blocks from the apartment where the RUBINSTIEN family lived. He and JACK RUBY played sandlot baseball, basketball and a lot of handball together. At one time they were fellow members at the Medina Athletic Club in Chicago. JACK neither drank nor smoked and always kept himself in excellent physical condition. JLL

The RUBINSTIENS were a poor family but were very respectable and to the best of his knowledge, all were very fine individuals. He does not recall how JACK made his living in Chicago as he grew into manhood. JACK had a car when he (WAYNE) was first getting into showbusiness and would drive him around to his various singing engagements at clubs and hotels in Chicago. JACK looked up to him as he became increasingly successful in showbusiness in the Chicago area and on many occasions would be in attendance at his various entertainment engagements. He left Chicago about twenty years ago and during this period has been completely out of touch with JACK RUBY. During this period, however, he has seen JACK's brother EARL on several occasions for brief visits.

He recalls JACK RUBY having a very violent temper and always seemed eager to take the part of the underdog in any altercation that confronted him. In one incident about twenty-five years ago when he and JACK were together on a downtown Chicago street, they happened to come upon a man using abusive language to an old lady. JACK took up for the lady and the two engaged in a bitter fight. Shortly thereafter JACK complained of being dizzy and after walking him around for a while, he took JACK to a hospital for treatment somewhere in the North side Chicago area, the name of the hospital not recalled. JACK spent at least several hours in the hospital and it is his recollection that he suffered a slight concussion.

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by SA PHILLIP B. DEILY/kls 16 Date dictated 4/9/64

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JACK would even engage in bitter fist fights with his brother, EARL, over matters which they disagreed upon. He feels that JACK RUBY, as well as they knew each other, would have not hesitated to punch him in the nose if he (WAYNE) had sufficiently aroused RUBY. There were other incidences, he cannot recall the specifics, where JACK would take up for the underdog and become violently aroused and in his opinion a normal individual would not react to similar situations in such a manner. He recalls that at one time, JACK's brother, EARL, took wrestling lessons and he suspects that EARL might have been motivated by reasons of self-preservation.

Because of the above conduct on the part of JACK, he seriously questions JACK's mental health since he does not feel that a normal healthy individual would have acted and reacted to certain situations as did JACK RUBY. He feels that JACK was completely loyal to his country, never knew him to carry a gun or to be involved in any trouble with law enforcement. He never knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no knowledge of JACK ever associating with persons or organizations of questionable loyalty. He has always liked JACK RUBY, would never want to do or say anything that would be harmful to him, but honestly feels that JACK was not a mentally healthy person at the time of their association in Chicago.

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The records of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company were examined for Fort Worth telephone No. JE 4-8525 listed to BRUCE CARLIN, 3809 Meadowbrook Drive, Fort Worth, during the period November 26, 1963, through December 1, 1963. The toll calls from this telephone are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time Call Placed</u>	<u>Duration of Call</u>	<u>Person Placing Call</u>	<u>Person Called</u>	<u>Number and City Called</u>
11/26/63	Not Listed	3 minutes			Collect Call from Dallas, Texas, to JE 4-8525, Fort Worth. Person and number from Dallas not listed.
11/27/63	Not Listed	3 minutes			Dallas, Texas, RI 7-9349.

The above records may be obtained through issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to Mr. WILLIAM SLATE, Supervisor, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Fort Worth, Texas.

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by IC JAMES VON WHITE:vm Date dictated 4/21/64

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It has been established by investigation that the following was subscriber to indicated telephone number as of the date of a long-distance call placed from JE 4-8525, listed to BRUCE CARLIN, 3809 Meadowbrook Drive, Fort Worth, Texas:

Telephone Number

Subscriber

RI 7-9349

Good Luck Oil Company, District
Office, 2219 Pittman, Dallas,
Texas.

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On November 28, 1963, RALPH PAUL, Arlington, Texas, advised SA MANNING C. CLEMENTS the following telephones at Arlington were available to him:

CR 5-4891, which is the Bull Pen Drive-In;

CR 5-5352, listed to RALPH PAUL on Copeland Road, Arlington;

CR 5-8113, which is listed to JOHN W. JACKSON, 1602 Browning.

The records of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Arlington, Texas, were examined for Arlington telephone number CR 5-4891. The records reflected the following telephone calls were made long distance to or from this number from September 26, 1963 to December 1, 1963:

DATE	TIME CALL PLACED	DURATION OF CALL	PERSON PLAC- ING CALL	PERSON CALLED	NUMBER & CITY CALLED
9/26/63	9:39 PM	3 minutes			RI 2-4247, Dallas
9/27/63	2:36 PM	1 minute			TU 7-4048, Mabank, state not listed
10/2/63	1:03 PM	1 minute			DA 4-4694, Dallas
10/7/63	6:54 PM	2 minutes			FE 7-2447, Dallas
10/7/63	10:51 PM	1 minute			RI 7-2362, Dallas

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by Special Agent JOSEPH M. MYERS/eah Date dictated 4/21/64