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To: SAC, Dallas

From: Director, FBI

JACK L. RUBY, aka.;
LEE HARVEY OSWALD, VICTIM;
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- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
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- 1 - Mr. Herndon
- 1 - Office, Rm. 7133

Chief Justice Warren of the President's Commission interviewed Ruby in Dallas on 6/7/64. Ruby specifically requested at that time that he be afforded a polygraph examination and the Chief Justice told Ruby this would be done. Mr. James Bowie of the Dallas District Attorney's office and Ruby's Attorney Tonahill were present and neither indicated any objection to a polygraph examination of Ruby.

The Commission has subsequently requested the FBI handle this polygraph interview and specifically excluded SA C. Ray Hall, polygraph examiner of your office who has already interviewed Ruby in the past in connection with Ruby's killing of Oswald. Accordingly, polygraph examiners of the FBI Laboratory will conduct the examination. Mr. Arlen Specter, staff member of the President's Commission, who will represent the Commission during this interview advised 7/8/64, that he has set up a tentative date of 7/16/64, 1:30 p. m., for the interview with Ruby in Dallas at the County Jail.

Dallas requested to immediately advise Ruby's Attorney Tonahill and a representative of the District Attorney's office, preferably James Bowie, of the above tentative date and invite their presence at the polygraph interview in accordance with instructions of the Commission if they so desire.

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Dallas should make appropriate arrangements at the County Jail for a suitable room equipped with polygraph chair. Laboratory examiners will provide their own instrument. Dallas should attempt to obtain any data with regard to status of Ruby's current health, physical condition and if he is under any medication, as well as any other information which would help insure the examination is afforded under proper circumstances. Dallas should provide own polygraph chair if none available County Jail.

Laboratory examiners desire to consult with SA C. Ray Hall of your office on Wednesday, 7/15/64, if Hall is available. In addition, an Agent of your office, other than Hall, should be available to be present at the actual polygraph examination tentatively scheduled for 7/16/64.

Since Hall is familiar with polygraph technique and procedures, he should participate in making the above arrangements; however, he is not to take part in any personal contact with Ruby.

Advise.

NOTE: Memorandum from Mr. Rosen to Mr. Belmont dated 6/11/64, same re as this airtel and approved by the Director, recommended that the Dallas Office be contacted to make necessary arrangements for polygraph examination of Ruby upon receipt of letter from the Commission outlining the areas of questioning. The Commission's letter dated 6/25/64, has been received and the Laboratory is currently in the process of making arrangements to revise the questions with Mr. Arlen Specter who is agreeable to such revisions. Polygraph questions must be answerable by only "yes" or "no," and several questions received are unsuitable such as: "How did you gain access to basement of the Dallas Police Department jail?" Above memorandum also provided that Dallas ascertain necessary information as to the status of Ruby's health, medication, etc., in order that the examination can be afforded Ruby under proper circumstances.