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FROM DALLAS (44-1639) (3P)

JACK L. RUBY, AKA; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA. -VIC (DECESED), CR. RE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL, JULY FORTEEN LAST, REQUESTING THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO GIVE JACK L. RUBY POLYGRAPH EXMINATION AT ELEVEN FORTYFIVE A.M., JULY EIGHTEEN NEXT.

I CONTACTED ATTORNEY JOE TONAHILL, WHO ADVISED ME THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY MR. RANKIN OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION AND THAT MR. RANKIN APARENTLY INSISTED UPON THE POLYGRAPH BEING GIVEN OR THAT TONAHILL AND THE OTHER ATTORNEYS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOT GIVING IT AND SO ADVISE RUBY. TONAHILL ADVISED HE IS STILL OF THE OPINION THAT THE POLYGRPH CAN SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE BUT KNOWING RUBY'S CONDITION AND HIS INTENSE DESIRE TO TAKE A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION, HE WOULD NOT ASSUME THIS RESPONSIBILITY. HE ADVISED THAT HE WAS NOW RECOMMENDING TO CLAYTON FOWLER, THE CHIEF ATTORNEY, AND TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY THAT THE POLYGRAPH BE GIVEN.

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MR. CLAYTON FOWLER, RUBY'S CHIEF ATTORNEY, LOCATED IN DALLAS
WAS CONTACTED, AND HE DVISED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A
CONFERENCE WITH THE VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY AND WOULD ALSO
DESIRE TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH DR. L. J. WEST, PSYCHIATRIST
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, AND WOULD GIVE ME A DEFINITE
ANSWER OF JULY FIFTEEN.

MR. FOWLER TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED ME THIS A.M., THAT HE HAS NOT COMPLETED HIS CONFERENCES WITH MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY, BUT THAT HE WILL DO SO AND THAT HE IS PERSONALLY RECOMMENDING THE POLYGRAPH BE GIVEN RATHER THAN ASSUMING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF TELLING RUBY THAT IT IS NOT BEING GIVEN, EVEN THOUGH CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN HAS AGREED TO GIVE SAME.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY HENRY WADE WAS CONTACTED, AND HE AGAIN
REITERATED THAT PRIOR TO HIS AGREEING THAT THE POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION
BE GIVEN TO RUBY THAT HE WOULD WANT TO INSIST THAT CERTAIN
QUESTIONS WERE ASKED WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE AS TO WHEN RUBY
FIRST DECIDED TO KILL OSWALD. MR. WADE WAS ADVISED THAT THIS
PROPOSED POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO RUBY AT THE
REQUEST OF THE COMMISSION AND THAT IF HE DESIRED CERTAIN QUESTIONS
TO BE ASKED, HE SHOULD TAKE THIS UP WITH MR. RANKIN OF THE
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COMMISSION TO INSURE THAT WE WERE REQUESTED TO DO SO.

WADE INDICATED HE WOULD PROBABLY CALL RANKIN THIS DATE AND ADVISE ME LATER OF HIS CONTACTS.

AS SOON AS INFORMATION IS RECEIVED FROM FOWLER AND WADE, THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF RESULTS.

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