

Date August 13, 1964

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Lieutenant GEORGE E. BUTLER was interviewed in his office located in the Juvenile Bureau at the Police Department, Dallas, Texas.

Lieutenant BUTLER advised on August 6, 1963, in regard to the present whereabouts of phonograph records and/or transcriptions of recordings made by former Dallas County Sheriff STEVE GUTHRIE and himself in connection with their departments' joint investigation of PAUL ROWLAND JONES around 1946 - 1948, he did not believe either the recordings or their written transcriptions were still in existence.

Lieutenant BUTLER stated that when he picked up the recordings from the Clerk of the Court of Criminal Appeals, State of Texas, Austin, Texas, reportedly in December, 1950, in behalf of former Dallas Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, he believes it was to deliver the recordings to the Kefauver Committee then holding sessions in Chicago, Illinois.

Lieutenant BUTLER stated he took the recordings to the Kefauver Hearings in Chicago, Illinois.

He noted he would make a search of his "personal" records at his home (6447 Velasco Avenue, Dallas, Texas) to see if he could locate any copy of the transcript of these recordings.

On August 11, 1964, Lieutenant BUTLER advised he had located the original recordings, consisting of twenty-two (22) discs, at his home, but could find no written transcriptions of same or an index.

He stated that when he located the recordings at his home, he noted that they were still packaged in the original, unopened container by which they were returned to him in 1960 from the McClellan Committee.

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BUTLER stated that he now remembers that he had loaned the recordings to the McClellan Committee for their use sometime in late 1959 or early 1960.

It was noted that the package by which these twenty-two records were returned to Lieutenant BUTLER had never been opened and had been sent by "Registered Mail - Return Receipt Requested" on March 17, 1960, from the office of Senator McClellan to Lieutenant GEORGE BUTLER, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas. The Post Office stamp on the outside of the package indicated that the package had arrived in Dallas, Texas, on March 21, 1960. The package bore Registry Number 220346.

Upon opening the package in the interviewing Agent's presence, it was noted to contain twenty-two records, which Lieutenant BUTLER described as the recordings taken by former Dallas County Sheriff STEVE GUTHRIE and himself in their joint investigation in regard to the joint intelligence investigation of PAUL ROWLAND JONES around 1946 - 1948, the exact dates of which he does not now recall.

Lieutenant BUTLER stated he has retained these twenty-two recordings in his "personal" possession and intends to continue to do so in order to be sure of their whereabouts at all times.

He advised that if the President's Commission desires to personally review the recordings, the Commission should contact him "personally" and not through anyone else at the Dallas Police Department.

BUTLER stated that he had no objection whatsoever to the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the President's Commission taping these twenty-two records or making written transcriptions of them for official use.

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Lieutenant BUTLER stated he has not listened to these records for years and cannot positively state whether or not the name of JACK L. RUBY is mentioned in any of the records. However, he stated to the best of his recollection, he does not believe that the name of JACK L. RUBY is mentioned in any of the recordings.

Regarding previous written transcripts and/or an index of names mentioned in any of the records, Lieutenant BUTLER stated that while transcripts had been made years ago, he does not know of their present location or even if they still exist. Concerning any index, Lieutenant BUTLER stated he believes the discs may have been indexed years ago, but he does not know of the present whereabouts or even of the present existence of such an index.

BUTLER added it is entirely possible that the McClellan Committee may have transcribed the contents of these twenty-two recordings for their records.