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PURPOSE:

To recommend that Columnist Walter Winchell be contacted for the identity of one "R. P." who he claims could substantiate the rumor that Oswald and Jack Ruby were associated in some manner.

DETAILS:

The 11/6/64, issue of the "New York Journal - American" on page 25 contains a syndicated column of Walter Winchell which in part relates to the rumor that Oswald and Ruby were associated. Mr. Winchell indicates many newspaper people are still working on this angle and that, "The person who supposedly could support the 'rumor' is initial'd R. P. of a Dallas suburb."

BACKGROUND:

The allegation that Oswald and Ruby were associated was initially put forth by New York Attorney Mark Lane. We have thoroughly investigated this allegation and have never developed one scintilla of evidence to substantiate the allegation.

We do not know the identity of the individual with the initials "R. P." however; Ruth Paine with whom the Oswalds associated resides in Irving, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. Ruth Paine has been interviewed on numerous occasions and has never indicated she knew of any association between Oswald and Ruby. In fact on 11/24/63, Paine specifically stated she did not know Ruby and had never heard the Oswalds mention Ruby. The only way we will

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be able to check this matter out is by contact with Mr. Winchell to learn of the identity of the individual with the initials "R. P." and then interview this individual for any information of value.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

If you approve Mr. Winchell will be located for interview concerning the identity of "R. P." and if not already done interview this individual to determine if he or she has any information of value concerning an association between Oswald and Ruby.

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