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**LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

**JACK L. RUBY
LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are six sheets of paper bearing "Confidential" stamp at top and bottom of each sheet obtained this date from Ward and Paul, Incorporated. Also, enclosed are two "Confidential" stamps obtained this date from Mrs. BEVERLY ANN HECKMAN, Secretary to J. LEE BARKER, General Council to the President's Commissioner on the Assassination of President KENNEDY.

Mr. WAYNE BIRDSELL, Manager, Ward and Paul, Inc., 917 G Street, N. W., related details as according to his records concerning their handling of transcript of RUBY testimony. BIRDSELL stated this material was the 100th such material furnished to Ward and Paul by the Commission for reproduction. According to his receipt, only five copies with the original of the RUBY testimony were delivered to the Commission at 3:35 p.m. on 6/18/64. This receipt is Ward and Paul Number S350, dated 6/18/64. BIRDSELL states he has no recollection of this particular document, although it is his belief the original stenographic transcript was received by his firm on the morning of June 18, and such a job would have taken approximately three and one-half to four hours to complete.

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He also states had material been received on previous day, June 17, it would have been delivered to Commission early on morning of June 18. BIRDSELL states paper used for reproduction on Xerox machine is pre-stamped "Confidential" with blank paper being run through an old style hand-foed Multigraph machine with the word "Confidential" consisting of separate letters blocked in place on the Multigraph cylinder. He produced a room of such pre-stamped blank paper from which six blank specimen sheets were obtained to be furnished herewith.

BIRDSELL states his firm has handled all such testimony and dispositions for the Commission and recalls earlier material was all classified "Top Secret"; however, by memorandum 5/1/64, from J. LEE BARKER, General Counsel, Ward and Paul were informed that as of that date all dispositions and testimonies handled by Ward and Paul would be classified "Confidential". BIRDSELL states Ward and Paul never made extra copies nor retained extra copies of any material relating to Commission business.

BIRDSELL states his firm handles classified material including "Secret" and "Top Secret" for such Senate and congressional committees as Armed Services and persons in his firm are "cleared" for such material by Department of Defense.

Instant transcript of EUBY hearing was actually run through the Xerox machine by either ROBERT E. HASKINS or PETE WARD, son of one of the owners. WARD not available for interview, but interview had with ROBERT E. HASKINS, who has no independent recollection of instant document and transcript; states he has no knowledge of how any leak could have occurred and personally was not responsible for same. PETE WARD to be interviewed.

Inquiry at the Commission determined three "Confidential" stamps known to have been used during conduct of Commission inquiry. One such stamp borrowed from Department of Defense and other two stamps obtained through requisition from General Services Administration. The stamp borrowed from Department of Defense, which is enclosed and marked Number One was located in the desk of Mrs. BEVERLY ANN HECKMAE. The second enclosed stamp, which bears Number Three, was located in a secretary's desk in a room occupied

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by several Commission secretaries. The third stamp was left at Commission office at request of Mrs. HECKMAN. It is noted this third stamp, which is one of two obtained through General Services Administration, was located in the supply cabinet at the Commission quarters. This stamp has never been used.

During contact with Commission this date, inquiry received as to when Bureau expected to complete examination of material previously forwarded to FBI Laboratory. This inquiry based on fact Commission anticipates presenting all such material to the National Archives within the next few weeks. It was indicated the return of material previously forwarded within the next two weeks would be most satisfactory. This being furnished for information of Bureau.