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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,
DALLAS, TEXAS

RE: Allegation that LEE HARVEY OSWALD
Associated with JACK RUBY

On January 17, 1967, Mrs. LORETTA VIOLET RINGER, 363 Bigley Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21227, advised that about one year ago she was separated from her husband, WILLIAM JOHN RINGER, JR., and they both left their residence at 64 Schuyler Street, Paradise Hills, San Diego, California. She herself had come to Baltimore to live in her brother's house and she did not know the current whereabouts of her husband. She had separated from him because he was constantly moving around the country as a salesman and refused to stay in any one place.

Mrs. RINGER said that for a period of approximately two years-prior to November, 1963, she had been employed in the Coffee Shop of the Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Texas. After President KENNEDY had been assassinated on November 22, 1963, the photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD appeared in a local Dallas newspaper. When she saw this photograph, she felt sure that OSWALD was the same person whom she had served in the Coffee Shop approximately two weeks previously. This was the only occasion on which she had seen this individual and at the time he was not accompanied by anyone and did not indicate that he was staying at the hotel. Mrs. RINGER overheard the individual talking to the Negro busboy at the restaurant and heard him make a reference to "business associates." When the individual noticed Mrs. RINGER had heard him say "business associates", he pretended he was drunk. He also talked to the hostess whose first name was EVELYN and whose last name starts with the letters "SCH."

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EVELYN had been employed at the Coffee Shop for over 10 years and Mrs. RINGER believes she is probably still so employed. She is a white female, approximately 50 years of age, having dark hair and wearing glasses.

Mrs. RINGER said that the customer she referred to had told EVELYN, the hostess, that he owned restaurants and that he wondered if he could engage this dining room for a monthly meeting of about 12 restaurant owners. EVELYN told him that he could but she did not really believe he owned a restaurant or was serious about renting the room.

Mrs. RINGER did not see whether this individual was traveling in an automobile and recalled only that he had left the Coffee Shop through the Adolphus Hotel. This individual was not contacted in the Coffee Shop by JACK RUBY on this occasion and was never noticed by Mrs. RINGER in the Coffee Shop on any other occasion. He had not mentioned JACK RUBY and had not given any indication while in the Coffee Shop he had any knowledge of or association with JACK RUBY.

After Mrs. RINGER saw the photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD following the assassination, she mentioned the fact to EVELYN that she believed he had been the one who had spoken to her of engaging the dining room for monthly business meetings. EVELYN did not agree with her and did not believe that it was the same individual.

Mrs. RINGER had mentioned her belief to other employees and to several customers, some of whom commented that she better not talk about it since if there were a gang of them involved in the assassination, Mrs. RINGER could be killed. She said she did not tell the authorities about the incident because so many people at the time said they "saw this, saw that, saw the other," and the authorities would think she was silly and not believe her. She said that at the time she and the other employees of the Adolphus Hotel were talking about the assassination, there were police officers around and about 20 Government agents that she believed to be FBI agents staying at the Adolphus Hotel and that they likely would have heard of the matter and could have already checked it out.

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Mrs. RINGER conceded that the individual she had served could have been somebody who looked like OSWALD but she felt that if it was not OSWALD, it was his twin.

Mrs. RINGER said that she had heard at the time that one of the police officers who had come in the Adolphus Hotel had said that after JACK RUBY had shot OSWALD, OSWALD had indicated he had recognized RUBY by making a comment such as "JACK, you SOB," or something similar. She did not know the identity of this police officer or who could furnish his identity.

Mrs. RINGER said that after the assassination and photographs of JACK RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD had appeared in the Dallas newspapers, and she had told her husband about the foregoing incident with a customer at the Adolphus Hotel Coffee Shop, he had replied that he had seen OSWALD talking to JACK RUBY at the end of RUBY's Bar prior to the assassination. Mrs. RINGER said that so far as she knew, this was the only time her husband thought he had seen OSWALD associate with RUBY. She knew nothing of any allegation that her husband had seen OSWALD in frequent association with RUBY or in the back office of RUBY's Tavern. She had not heard her husband say that he had seen OSWALD come out of RUBY's office with a package and that he had thereafter observed OSWALD with large sums of money.

Mrs. RINGER stated that after the photograph of RUBY appeared, she recognized him as a customer who had frequently come from his tavern across the street to the Adolphus Hotel Coffee Shop. She had not known him by name at that time and had definitely never seen him either there or elsewhere in association with OSWALD.

Mrs. RINGER said she had no other information or evidence of any sort to show any type of association between LEE HARVEY OSWALD and JACK RUBY.

Mrs. RINGER said she realizes that many people have come up with unusual and unbelievable ideas concerning the assassination. She said that she herself has not had any mental illness or any treatment for such condition.