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Photographic

Based on the comparison of Qc31 with other photographs of the murder rifle, it has been determined that the rifle shown in Qc31 is similar in all respects and possibly depicts the same rifle. There is a rather long out mark on the stock of the murder weapon just above the trigger guard; and by the use of highlighting, a mark was located on the rifle in the photograph, Qc31, which supports the possibility that they are one and the same.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Qc31 Photograph of LKE MARVEY OSVALD holding in his left hand a bolt action rifle, in his right hand a newspaper reading in part "The Worker" and with a pistol in a holster on his right hip

Regult of explication:

Because the photograph, Qc31, of OSVALD shows very little detail, a comparison between the rifle in the picture Qc31 and the other photographs available in the Laboratory of the rifle does not permit a definite determination that the gun held by OSVALD in Qc31 is the murder weapon.

Oc31 is retained.

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