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Mrs. MARGUERITE OSWALD, 2220 Thomas Place, furnished the following information:

She owns a Sonomatic tape recorder which she purchased for \$39.95. She uses this machine in recording some conversations on her telephone and also in recording conversations with individuals in person. On the night of April 28, 1964, she telephonically contacted GLORIA JEAN MERCER, 1000 University Drive in Fort Worth, Texas. Miss MERCER is a sister to Mrs. ROBERT OSWALD, who lives in Danton, Texas. Miss MERCER is employed as a teacher in the public schools in Fort Worth. She talked to Miss MERCER about the family, about misunderstandings in the OSWALD family, and also about her testifying before the President's Commission. Mrs. OSWALD made a tape recording of this conversation. The next day she was playing the entire tape back and she noticed that part of the conversation was garbled and she could not understand it. The tape ran for about two minutes and she said it sounded as if someone was talking in a foreign language. She believed it was Russian or French. She could hear a man's voice in the background on one or two occasions. Mrs. OSWALD played this portion of the tape for Agents and it sounded as if two or more conversations were recorded on this particular part of the tape. The last part of the conversation with MERCER was clear. Mrs. OSWALD believes someone living in the vicinity of her home or the home of Miss MERCER was shooting a beam into her home or the home of MERCER and in that way was interfering with telephone conversation. Mrs. OSWALD believed this unknown party was listening in on the conversation and she believes she picked up some of this foreign language when the unknown person left the key open on his machine and he did not know she would pick up his conversation. She was unable to explain how part of this conversation was garbled and the other part of it was clear.

During the past several weeks, Mrs. OSWALD received cards and letters from a Mrs. FLORA FILKO HYATT, 402 Valentine Street, Apartment 1008, Houston, Texas. Mrs. HYATT advised Mrs. OSWALD she had valuable information regarding her son and it would be worth her while to come to Houston to talk to her in person. Mrs. OSWALD drove to Houston around April 18, 1964, and visited with Mrs. HYATT for about

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one half day. Mrs. HYATT is 70 years of age. Mrs. HYATT said she did not believe LEE HARVEY OSWALD had shot President KENNEDY. She said there was a large conspiracy involved in this shooting between top officials of Neiman-Marcus store in Dallas and officials of Sakowitz store in Houston, Texas. They were members of an organization known as "Black Ax" and this organization dates many years back into Germany. HYATT advised these officials communicate with each other and transmit information in their store ads in Dallas and Houston newspapers. Mrs. HYATT had some newspaper ads to explain this method of communication to Mrs. OSWALD. After looking at some of these ads and the wording in the ads, Mrs. OSWALD believed the story as told to her by Mrs. HYATT.

Mrs. OSWALD exhibited one ad from the "Houston Chronicle" dated March 29, 1964. This ad concerned table settings of silver and china. The title of the ad was "Tables are Turned" and read in part: "Twelve of Houston's prominent hosts have created table settings for your pleasure." Mrs. OSWALD interpreted this ad to mean twelve of Houston's prominent leaders and officials of Sakowitz store were involved in this conspiracy.

Another ad exhibited by Mrs. OSWALD appeared in the "Houston Chronicle" on March 22, 1964. This ad had a drawing of a woman with a hat on her head and a bracelet on her wrist. Mrs. OSWALD said the bracelet stood for handcuffs and this ad was connected with the conspiracy by the use of these handcuffs. Another ad was cut from the "Dallas Morning News" dated April 30, 1964, by Neiman-Marcus store in Dallas. This ad had a picture of a woman wearing a pearl necklace. The ad covered a number of pearl necklaces. The headline on the ad read "The Connecting Link." Mrs. OSWALD definitely believed this meant there was a connecting link between Dallas and Houston and this was a vital message in the conspiracy against her son. Mrs. OSWALD advised she was going to follow the ads between these two stores and believed they had a definite bearing on the conspiracy against her son.

Mrs. OSWALD was in Dallas during the RUBY trial and stayed at the Jefferson Hotel. She became acquainted with a white female, 38 to 40 years of age, tall, dirty blond hair, but does not recall her name. This woman introduced her to three French newspaper men and they had dinner one night at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Dallas. The French newspaper men were interested in a photograph of Mrs. OSWALD and she posed for a photograph for them. The woman said she was from San Antonio and was in Dallas to go to work for Neiman-Marcus company. In looking through the Associated Press book, "The Torch is Passed," she saw a woman on page 13 wearing dark glasses with a scarf around her head. She believes this photograph is identical with the woman she met at the Jefferson Hotel. She does not know her name but believed she was involved in this conspiracy against her son as she said she was going to work for Neiman-Marcus in Dallas. She also believed this woman was involved as she was in this picture very close to the car occupied by President KENNEDY.