

1Date March 13, 1964

EUGENE LESLIE ROBERTS, also known as Gene Roberts, residence 8527 West Seven Mile Road, Detroit, Michigan, telephone 342-4038, news reporter for DETROIT FREE PRESS, telephone 222-6600 was interviewed at the Dallas County Court House. ROBERTS stated he arrived in Dallas February 13, 1964 to cover the trial of JACK L. RUBY, representing DETROIT FREE PRESS and some other newspapers in the Knight Chain. He said that a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD with a rifle in his hand appeared in the February 17, 1964 issue of the DETROIT FREE PRESS, that this newspaper actually "hit the street" on February 16, 1964.

ROBERTS stated shortly after the edition of the newspaper came out with the photograph included, NEWSWEEK Magazine contacted him in effort to obtain a copy of the photograph. He said he contacted the managing editor FRANK ANGELO and assistant manager DERRICK DANIELS who instructed him to refer any inquiries regarding the photograph to them. He said he understood LIFE Magazine had called the newspaper and that it was anticipated by the editors at the time that other newspapers and magazines would likely contact them. It was not speculated by him that the FBI would be making inquiries.

ROBERTS stated on the basis of his instructions he would not furnish information to Agents as to the source of the photograph in question, that he would advise his superiors by telephone on that date of the request of Agents for the identity of his source and that should they give authority to him, he would then consider whether he desired to furnish the requested information. He stated he feels at this time that should he give favorable consideration to identifying his source he would desire various "assurances" as to use which would be made of the information. He said he would voluntarily contact the Dallas FBI Office should he receive authority from his superiors and concluded in his own mind that he desired to identify his source.

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by Special Agent ALFRED D. NEELEY
HANNING C. CLERMETS/11 Date dictated 3/13/64