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VOLKMAR (NMI) SCHMIDT, 4724 Alcott, Apartment 206, Dallas, Texas, employed as a geologist by the Socony Research Laboratory, 3600 Duncanville Road, Duncanville, Texas, advised he was a roommate of EVERETT GLOVER and RICHARD PIERCE at 4449 Potomac Avenue, Dallas, in February of 1963. SCHMIDT stated that on the day this party took place he had out-of-town visitors and therefore was not in attendance at the party.

SCHMIDT stated that one week previous to the above party, probably in early February of 1963, he met Mr. and Mrs. LEE OSWALD at a dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. DE MOKKENSCHILDT at their residence near Southern Methodist University, specific address not known. SCHMIDT advised he speaks Russian fluently and during the course of the evening spoke to MARINA and LEE OSWALD in their native tongue. He advised that for several hours he discussed politics with OSWALD, and OSWALD appeared to be very frank with him from all aspects. OSWALD told SCHMIDT that he, OSWALD, was reared by a poor family and as such saw many of the shortcomings of the United States society. As a result of his early experiences, OSWALD said he became interested in Communism and became desirous of living in the Soviet Union. OSWALD described many of his experiences in Russia but appeared to be disillusioned with the Soviet System. This prompted his return to the United States. SCHMIDT stated that throughout the evening OSWALD was objective and was very articulate in his descriptions of the United States and Russian societies. OSWALD did not speak of President KENNEDY or his policies. On one occasion, SCHMIDT praised President KENNEDY by stating that President KENNEDY would improve the welfare of the working man in the United States. OSWALD made no objection to this statement.

SCHMIDT stated that OSWALD, from outward appearances and from his conversation, appeared to have a burning dedication to political truth. SCHMIDT surmised that OSWALD had great ambitions but realized he could not fulfill these ambitions because of limited education. Throughout the conversation, OSWALD did not express any views which would indicate future violent action but appeared to be a violent person. SCHMIDT stated he did not see OSWALD at any time after their conversation at the party.

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