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WILLIAM B. ABADIE, who is employed at Scott Instrument Company, 3734 West Slauson, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his residence, 4820 West Slauson, Los Angeles. At the inception of the interview ABADIE advised that he had jumped bond in the amount of \$300. at Dallas, Texas; that this bond had been to cover his release on a charge of DWI (Driving While Intoxicated). He advised that he knew the Dallas Police Department would be looking for him and wanted to know if he was going to be arrested by the Agents. The Agents immediately informed him that they wanted to interview him concerning his knowledge and associations with JACK LEON RUBY, of Dallas, Texas. He was further advised that this Office had no warrant for him and no interest at this time in the local violation at Dallas. He was advised that anything that he said would be voluntary, that he did not have to be interviewed by the Agents or furnish any information to them, that if he did it could be used as evidence in a court of law, but that the subject of the interview was entirely concerning his associations with JACK RUBY. Mr. ABADIE then advised that he hardly knew RUBY and was entirely willing to discuss anything concerning RUBY with the Agents.

ABADIE first became acquainted by observation with the man known as JACK LEON RUBY, whom, according to newspaper accounts read by ABADIE, shot and killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD, the alleged assassin of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. ABADIE had never known RUBY prior to the early part of March, 1963, at which time, after having been on an extended alcoholic binge, ABADIE was hired by RUBY's Shop Foreman as a slot machine and juke box mechanic. This employment continued for a period of about seven weeks, ABADIE leaving at the end of this time to try and locate his estranged wife. ✓

ABADIE stated he had never even spoken to RUBY or been spoken to by him. He advised that he did see RUBY in the warehouse shop where he, ABADIE, was performing his mechanics duties, but that he at no time had any discussions with him socially or because of his employment. For the most part his work was at the aforementioned warehouse. However, on one occasion for a few days he "wrote tickets" as a bookie in one of RUBY's establishments.

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SIDNEY SIEDBRAND, Apt. 59, 1829 E. Thomas Road, Phoenix, who is employed by the J. RANDY Construction Company, 1015 N. Fifteenth Avenue, Phoenix, telephone 258-4567, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

He advised that during hard times in the depression and when gambling was permitted at Dallas, Texas, he worked as a croupier at a dice table in Dallas. SIEBRAND said he would be known to law enforcement agencies in that area.

SIEDBRAND advised that in 1957 he was at Hot Springs, Arkansas to attend a racing meet for five to seven days. While at Hot Springs a man whose last name he believes was MC QUEEN, introduced him to JACK RUBY, stating that they should know each other as they were both from Dallas. SIEDBRAND described MC QUEEN as a person whom he believed came to Dallas from Memphis, Tennessee. MC QUEEN was a floorman, a position similar to a casino boss, at the Blue Bonnet Motel, Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas. SIEDBRAND described MC QUEEN as about 53 or 54 years of age, gray haired, and with one forefinger missing.

Soon after he introduced RUBY to SIEDBRAND at Hot Springs, MC QUEEN left Dallas and went to Cuba to work in a gambling establishment there, according to SIEDBRAND's understanding and belief. Mr. SIEDBRAND stated, in his opinion, MC QUEEN would be well known to the Dallas Police Department.

SIEDBRAND advised that after meeting JACK RUBY at Hot Springs, Arkansas, he saw RUBY at a pancake house in Dallas on one occasion after their first and only meeting, but he did not try to strike up an acquaintance with RUBY because he had gained the impression that RUBY was not the type of person whose society he would care to cultivate.

As he did not visit RUBY's establishments in Dallas or get to know RUBY well, SIEDBRAND said he would not be able to furnish information regarding RUBY's character, traits, personality, background, associates, beliefs, or any possible membership on the part of RUBY in any organizations, fraternal groups, or clubs.

SIEDBRAND telephoned to advise above name is MC WILLY, not MC QUEEN.

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Regarding attempts to locate SIDNEY SIEBAND through relatives in Chicago:

On December 4, 1963, Mrs. ROSEMARY SIEBAND, widow of HERMAN, 4923 Quincy Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA JAMES D. DEWHIRST her husband's brother, SIDNEY, was last in Chicago six years ago, when he attended the wedding of her daughter. Three years ago he telephoned from an unknown location at time of her son's wedding. He was "black sheep" of family and involved in unsavory endeavors since becoming an adult. He has reportedly been married several times, once to a woman in Texas approximately twenty-five years ago and most recently to a woman engaged in the lumber business in Oklahoma. He was employed in the jewelry business with his brother SAMUEL in Chicago several years ago but quit due to dislike for same. He has travelled throughout the country apparently enjoying gambling and associating with the undesirable element.

On December 4, 1963, PAULINE SIEBAND SALZMAN, divorced from HARRY SALZMAN, and BABBETT SIEBAND, 3101 Sheridan Road, Chicago, furnished SA DEWHIRST similar information regarding their brother, SIDNEY, obtained from Mrs. ROSEMARY SIEBAND. They also stated they were unable to locate SIDNEY at the time of the death of HARRIS SIEBAND, their father, two years ago. To their knowledge, he is unaware that his father is deceased. Being the youngest of the family, BABBETT was somewhat closer to SIDNEY, but knows nothing further regarding his whereabouts for the past six years.

On December 5, 1963, SAMUEL SIEBAND, 4653 North Lawndale Avenue, Chicago, furnished SA DEWHIRST identical information regarding his brother SIDNEY as obtained from Mrs. HERMAN SIEBAND and his sisters, PAULINE and BABBETT. He knew nothing further regarding SIDNEY's current whereabouts.

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SAMUEL SIEDBAND stated that a brother, Master Sergeant LOUIS SIEDBAND, has been in the United States Air Force for the past thirty-nine years and is currently stationed at the San Bernardino, California Air Force Base. He was never close to his brother SIDNEY and in contacts with him, SAMUEL knows he is not aware of SIDNEY's whereabouts.