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H. GREGORY AUSTIN, Jr., Attorney, 790 Washington Street, Denver, Colorado, advised he was present in March, 1962, at the Cliff Dwellers organization party held at the Petroleum Club, Denver. AUSTIN stated he was present briefly during the conversations between HENRY OKNARD, JOHN G. FLOBECK and HARRY NIER. AUSTIN stated he did not participate in the discussions as it appeared that NIER was connected in some way with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee and was supporting the CASTRO regime in Cuba. AUSTIN stated he did not hear NIER nor any of the other participants mention any individual named OSWALD.

Mr. AUSTIN stated that in his opinion, OKNARD is not tremendously stable, is imaginative, and could now believe that the name of OSWALD was mentioned in his conversation with NIER, when it had not been.

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JOHN S. FOULOS, 1635 Quebec, Denver, Colorado, advised that he knows HENRY GUNNARD, JOHN G. FLOBECK and C. EDWIN BUSH, but he does not recall the specific meeting or party at which time there was a discussion with HARRY NIER of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. FOULOS said he does not know HARRY NIER.

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RE HARRY NIER, CHAIRMAN, DENVER CHAPTER,
FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE (FPCC)

HARRY NIER is publicly known and identified himself during an interview shown on KOA-TV, channel 4, Denver, Colorado, on November 22, 1963, as the Chairman, Denver Chapter, FPCC.

A characterization of the Denver Chapter, FPCC, appears as an appendix hereto.

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MARTON BOWLES, 1357 Williams Street, Denver, Colorado, advised that she works as a public stenographer in the same office space of HARRY NIER, 515 Denver U. S. National Bank Building, Denver, and that when NIER learned of the assassination of the President he was very disturbed. She stated that several individuals unknown to her came into NIER's office and she assumed that they were either clients or friends of his. She stated that KOA-TV personnel came to the office and interviewed HARRY NIER. She stated that HARRY NIER told her that "they" were trying to connect the assassination of the President with his organization, the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

NIER told her about a week ago that he planned to be away from his office two or three days during the Christmas holidays, 1963.

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HARRY NIER, Denver attorney, 515 Denver U. S. National Bank Building, 1700 Broadway, Denver, Colorado, appeared on KOA-TV channel 4, being interviewed regarding the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. The interview was shown on TV channel 4 at approximately 11:00 P.M., November 22, 1963.

HARRY NIER stated that he was shocked by news of the assassination of the President. He stated that he did not know LEE OSWALD; that he was unaware of a Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) chapter in Dallas; that the accusation against LEE OSWALD would hurt the FPCC organization in Denver. NIER stated that the Denver Chapter, FPCC, is made up of many pacifists who are opposed to violence.

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C. EDWIN BUSH, 2451 South Gaylord Street, Denver, Colorado, advised he recalls a party, possibly sponsored by the Cliff Dwellers, a bachelor men's club, nonpolitical in nature, held in the Petroleum Club, Denver, in March, 1962. BUSH stated he recalls HARRY NIER being at this party and later discussing with HENRY OXNARD that same evening the fact that OXNARD stated NIER was spouting the communist line. BUSH denied conversing personally with NIER and denied hearing NIER make any comments regarding knowledge of a person named "OSWALD."

Concerning the veracity and reliability of HENRY OXNARD, EDWIN BUSH stated that OXNARD is the son of BENJAMIN A. OXNARD, Vice President, Great Western Sugar Company; that HENRY OXNARD has a strong sense of loyalty and an intense interest in politics. BUSH stated that if OXNARD said that NIER mentioned the name of OSWALD, it is true.

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CD6:447-8-Harry Mier. I have. My card also says 449-50 withhold slip). I also have carddd
for him CD19:17,34.

From what I remember, I thought there was not likely to be anything of substance to this
and that somebody who didn't like him or his beliefs led to this business.

I do not want these pages.