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Honorable J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
The President's Commission
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Washington, D. C. 20002

Dear Mr. Rankin:

In reply to your letter of February 25, 1964, please be advised that the information set forth as background information at pages 155 through 159 of the report of Special Agent Manning C. Clements dated November 30, 1963, was obtained through a search of all files in the Dallas Office wherein references to Jack L. Ruby appeared. All available information concerning Jack Ruby contained in the Dallas files is set forth in the report.

For your information, Ruby was contacted by an Agent of the Dallas Office on March 11, 1959, in view of his position as a night club operator who might have knowledge of the criminal element in Dallas. He was advised of the Bureau's jurisdiction in criminal matters, and he expressed a willingness to furnish information along these lines. He was subsequently contacted on eight occasions between March 11, 1959, and October 2, 1959, but furnished no information whatever and further contacts with him were discontinued. Ruby was never paid money, and he was never at any time an informant of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover