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March 8, 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON .

FROM: SGT. T. DUFFY AND DET. C. NAVARRE

RE: INTERVIEW OF MIKE FINNEY, RESIDING AT 1418 BEHRMAN,
ALGIERS, LOUISIANA, TELEPHONE 361-5857 ON MARCH 6, 1967.

Mr. FINNEY was interviewed in regard to his connection with the Civil Air Patrol. Mr. FINNEY stated that he joined the CAP in 1958 and was in the New Orleans Airport Squadron. This was the first time he had met DAVE FERRIE. He was also in the original Falcon Squadron that DAVE FERRIE had formed. There were originally about ten men in this outfit. He stated that he remained in the Falcon Squadron until about 1961, when he found out that this was not a valid branch of the CAP. Mr. FINNEY stated that while he was connected with the CAP he had never met OSWALD or had never heard his name mentioned. He also stated that a Mr. LARRY ATKINSON was a friend of DAVE FERRIE'S at this time. He also stated that a Mr. AL CHERAMIE was in the New Orleans Squadron and that he was a very close friend of DAVE FERRIE'S. It is his recollection that AL CHERAMIE joined the Marine Corp in the summer of 1962.

He also stated that he knew a JOHNNY JOHNSON who was a member of the squadron at that time and that JOHNSON as far as he knows is a student at Tulane University at this time. He stated that JOHNSON lives somewhere either in Algiers or Gretna. He may live on Newton Street.

FINNEY stated that a MAJOR MORRELL was the head of the CAP, New Orleans Squadron, and that he was also a very good friend of FERRIE'S. He also stated that JOHNNY JOHNSON'S mother had told him that FERRIE helped MORRELL a number of times with many problems. At this time MORRELL was a shoe salesman in New Orleans and it is his understanding that MORRELL left New Orleans and is staying somewhere in Texas.

He stated that on occasions when he was in the CAP he stayed overnight at DAVE FERRIE'S house. JOHNNY JOHNSON and AL CHERAMIE also stayed at DAVE FERRIE'S house overnight. He stated that a BOB BOYLSTON was a Cadet Commander in the CAP, and he was also a very good friend of FERRIE'S, as were JOHN IRION AND AL LANDRY.

It is Mr. FINNEY'S understanding that DAVE FERRIE had a disagreement with MAJOR MORRELL and at this time FERRIE broke away from the New Orleans Squadron and formed the Falcon Squadron.

While in this office, FINNEY was shown pictures of OSWALD, CLAY SHAW, GUI BANISTER, and several others, and he could identify only DAVE FERRIE.