

Ruby, Jack

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania Ave & 9th St.
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The Commission would appreciate your providing the arrest record and copies of all previous FBI reports giving information concerning Alexander P. Gruber (Clemente Report, November 30, 1963, p. 273)

In addition, please obtain from Mr. Gruber a personal history including any organizations, political or otherwise, to which he has belonged and secure also, a detailed statement of Gruber's contacts with Jack Ruby since 1953.

Finally, please ascertain from Gruber the extent to which he is acquainted with Lewis J. McWilliam, Lawrence Meyers, Ralph Paul, George Senator, Hreck Wall, and Joe Peterach and inquire also of Gruber as to any information he may have concerning Ruby's interest in or activities in connection with the sale of lamps, guns, or other war materials for use in Cuba, the smuggling of refugees out of Cuba, and trips to Cuba.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

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If you have already forwarded arrest records for Mr. Paul and Mr. Sanster, it will be sufficient to indicate the date that those records were forwarded.

Finally, an enclosure in your letter of April 7, 1964, shows that Jack Ruby was contacted on March 11, 1959 by Special Agent Charles W. Flynn, who obtained a personal description and added the observation that Ruby was a "known Dallas criminal." Please advise us as to the purpose and other results of Agent Flynn's contact on that date and request Agent Flynn to indicate whether his comment about Ruby's criminal reputation was based on conversations with local law enforcement officers or any other information not then in your files.

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