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RUBY (150).

MOSCOW, OCT. 6 (AP)-A TEXAS COURT DECISION FAVORABLE TO JACK RUBY "ONLY REINFORCES DOUBTS" ABOUT EVERYTHING SURROUNDING PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, THE SOVIET UNION SAID TODAY.

THE GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER IZVESTIA SAID YESTERDAY'S DECISION NULLIFYING THE DEATH SENTENCE AGAINST RUBY CAME AT A TIME WHEN AN OPINION POLL SHOWED MOST AMERICANS REJECTING THE WARREN COMMISSION FINDING THAT ONLY ONE MAN KILLED KENNEDY.

IZVESTIA DID NOT SUGGEST THAT THE RUBY CASE PROVED THE EXISTENCE OF ANY CONSPIRACY IN THE ASSASSINATION, BUT ASKED:

"WAS (THE DECISION) NOT BECAUSE JACK RUBY, SITTING IN HIS BIG CELL WITH A PRIVATE SHOWER, FROM TIME TO TIME THREATENED: 'IF I BEGIN TO SPEAK, MANY PEOPLE WILL GET IN TROUBLE'?"

THE SOVIET PRESS FROM TIME TO TIME HAS PRINTED CLAIMS BY INDIVIDUALS THAT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION WAS THE WORK OF A RIGHTWING CONSPIRACY OF "TEXAS OIL BARONS."

RUBY HAD APPEALED A DALLAS COURT RULING CONVICTING HIM OF KILLING LEE HARVEY OSWALD, NAMED BY THE WARREN COMMISSION AS THE ASSASSIN OF KENNEDY.

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