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DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE was interviewed at his residence, 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway and was advised of the identity of interviewing Agents. He was advised he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used in a court of law and he had the right to the advice of an attorney.

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FERRIE stated that at the time of the Bay of Pigs Invasion of Cuba, he was very embarrassed and concerned over the lack of air cover provided the Cubans who were engaged in the invasion and that he severely criticized President JOHN F. KENNEDY both in public and in private. He stated that he does not recall specifically what he said in making these criticisms and might have used an off-hand or colloquial expression "He ought to be shot" to express his feelings concerning the Cuban situation. He stated that he has never made any statement that President KENNEDY should be killed with the intention that this be done and has never at any time outlined or formulated any plans or made any statement as to how this could be done or who should do it.

FERRIE stated that when it came to serious discussions, when the question of impeachment of President KENNEDY arcse he opposed any impeachment proceedings. FERRIE said that within one year prior to the first Russian Sputnik he recalls being quite critical of the U.S. Space Project and the Defense Program. He said be had also been critical of any president riding in an open car and had made the statement that anyone could hide in the bushes and shoot a president. FERRIE also advised that he has been accused of being a worshiper of President KENNEDY because he is a liberal and strongly believes in President KENNEDY's Civil Rights Program and Fiscal Program.

FERRIE stated he has never leaned his library card to LEE HARVEY OSWALD or any other person at any time and that his library card, to the best of his recollection has not been out of his possession since it was issued to him. He exhibited New Orleans Public Library card # M.L. 89437 bearing the stamped lettering N.R. - P.D. in the upper left hand corner. FERRIE said the letters N.R. mean non-resident,

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and the letters P.D. mean paid. He related that at the time he obtained this library card he was living in Metairie, Louisiana and had to pay for the issuance of the card. The library card shows it was issued in the name of Dr. DAVID FERRIE, 331 Atherton Drive, and expiration date is shown as March 13, 1963.

FERRIE stated he has no recollection of knowing or having met LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the Civil Air Patrol or in any business or social capacity.

FERRIE stated he has never owned a telescopic sight, a rifle equipped with a telescopic sight, has never, used a weapon equipped with a telescopic sight and does not know how to use one. He also said he has never instructed LEE HARVEY OSWALD or anyone else in the use of American made or foreign made rifles or firearms.

FERRIE said that while in the Civil Air Patrol he assisted in firearms instruction at Civil Air Patrol Bivcuacs for range safety only.

remains claimed he has owned a Stinson 150 blue and white, single engine, four passenger monoplane, registration number 8293K and that this plane has not been airworthy since the license expired in the spring of 1962. FERRIE stated he has never flown LEE HARVEY OSWALD to Dallas, Texas or any other town in Texas at any time. He said that the only planes he would have access to would be rental planes.

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ROY MC COY, 108 Fourth Street, Chalmette, Louisiana, telephonically contacted the New Orleans Office of the FBI and advised that his wife had received a telephone call from DAVID FERRIE during the afternoon of November 27, 1963.

Mr. MC COY said that he was not at home when FERRIE called but according to his wife, FERRIE was interested in any photographs which MC COY might have in his possession. photographs were in reference to MC COY's former association with the Civil Air Patrol of which he was a member during the early 1950's. He said the meetings of his group were held at the New Orleans Airport and that for a time, DAVID FERRIE was the head of this unit. FERRIE also asked Mrs. MC COY whether the name of OSWALD was familiar to her.

Mr. MC COY said that he had not returned FERRJE's call but that in conversations with his wife, it was her impression that FERRIE was seeking information about OSWALD and photographs of OSWALD to show that he was not acquainted with OSWALD.

Mr. MC COY said that to the best of his recollection. OSWALD never attended any Civil Air Patrol meeting at the New Orleans Airport nor did he ever meet OSWALD.

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Mrs. ALICE GUIDROZ, Secretary to Attorney G. WRAY GILL, 1705 Perë Marquette Building, was shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at which time she stated that she had no recollection of ever having seen this man in person, and that she was certain that OSWALD had never visited DAVID W. FERRIE in her presence while FERRIE was employed by G. WRAY GILL.

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JAMES R. LEWALLEN, Apartment 9, 1309 Dauptine Street, was interviewed in a Bureau automobile in the 3300 block of Louisiana Avenue Parkway. LEWALLEN advised that he is employed at the National Car Rentals, 740 Baronne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

LEWALLEN informed he bas known DAVID FERRIE. since the end of 1947 having met him in Cleveland, Ohio when he was a member of the Civil Air Patrol where FERRIE served as an instructor. LEWALLEN said that he went on active duty during the Korean War in 1950 and at that time FERRIE was still living in Cleveland, Ohio. He said that he returned to Cleveland, Ohio on leave in September, 1951 and at that time learned from FERRIE's mother that FERRIE had taken a job with Eastern Airlines.

LEWALLEN said that he was discharged from the service on May 28, 1952 but did not see FERRIE again until the Christmas Holidays, 1952 when FERRIE visited his mother in Cleveland, Ohio.

LEWALLEN said that in May, 1953 he telephorically contacted DAVID FERRIE who at that time was living in New Orleans and inquired about the possibilities of getting a job in New Orleans. He said that he moved to Kenner; Louisiana where he roomed with DAVID FERRIE from May, 1953 to May, 1955.

In May, 1955, he re-entered the Air Corps and did not see FERRIE until he returned to New Orleans to live about the end of August, 1955. LEWALLEN stated he graduated from pilot training in October, 1956 and was assigned as a pilot with the Louisiana National Guard at Callender Field. He stated since that time he has lived in the New Orleans area.

LEWALLEN stated that he has seen DAVID FERRIE from time to time and on occasions has visited in FERRIE'S home. He stated he saw DAVID FERRIE at his residence, 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway on November 20, 1963 but did not see him or have any contact with him on November 21 and 22, 1963 and did not see him again until the evening of November 26, 1963.

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LEWALLEN stated that during the time DAVID FERRIE was connected with the Civil Air Patrol in New Crieans he had voluntarily assisted him with the squadron; however, he had no official coanection with it. He stated that he does not recall anyone by the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD being a member of the Civil Air Patrol Squadron in New Orleans.

LEWALLEN further remarked that he has never seen anyone by the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD in FERRIE's company, has never been introduced to anyone by that name and has never heard DAVID FERRIE mention anyone by that name.

A photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was exhibited to LEWALLEN at which time he advised he does not know OSWALD.

LEWALLEN further advised that he has never seen anyone in FERRIE's company or been introduced to anyone by FERRIE with the names A. T. HIDELL, A. J. HIDELL, ALEC JAMES HIDELL, ROBERT HIDELL, V. T. LEE or O. H. LEE.

LEWALLEN advised that DAVID FERRIE cwns a Stinson 150 monoplane which is presently at the Lakefront Airport. He stated to the best of his knowledge this plane has not been in flying condition for at least the past year.

He further informed that he recalls on one occasion FERRIE borrowed a Piper Cub Plane but this was at least two years ago. LEWALLEN said he does not know who this Piper Cub belonged to and does not know whether FERRIE has access to this plane at the present time.

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W. HARDY DAVIS, 3044 Louisiana Avenue Parkway, advised that early in the evening of Saturday, November 23, 1963, he had had a discussion of DAVID FERRIE with JACK MARTIN at the latter's home, and the discussion speculated on the possibility that FERRIE wight have had scmething to do with killing President KENNEDY, as they both knew that FERRIE was a gun fancier, and MARTIN had recalled seeing a picture of a rifle allegedly used to kill President KENNEDY, which MARTIN thought was similar to the rifle he had seen in FERRIE's possession several years ago. It was also mentioned by MARTIN that FERRIE had once discussed a short story plet which involved the shooting of the United States President.

A short while later, after DAVIS had returned home, MARTIN called him and told him that he heard a television program Thich had tied FERRIE in as Civil Air Patrol Instructor with LEE MARVEY OSWALD, and MARTIN told DAVIS that the television program had reported that the library card of DAVID FERRIE had been found in the possession of OSWALD in Dallas, Texas upon the latter's arrest. DAVIS advised he did not see the television program, but immediately contacted FERRIE's attorney, G. WRAY GILL, and told him what MARTIN had said. When talking to GILL, DAVIS advised he heard that FERRIE had received Cuban literature in GILL's office, and the latter confirmed this in conversation to DAVIS. DAVIS stated he did not know what literature was received or what was the nature of the literature mailed to GILL's office. Davis said the information regarding FERRIE's possible ownership of firearms and instruction of OSWALD in the use of firearms and a rifle scope was a matter of pure speculation on the part of JACK WARTIN, and he had no information other than MARTIN's statement to confirm these allegations.

DAVIS said that MARTIN was his source of information as to the linking of FERRIE with OSWALD. He said he himself has no direct knowledge whatever as to any association between the two men. He said he has had little or no association with FERRIE; however, he is closely associated with JACK MARTIN, who reportedly was once closely associated with FERRIE.

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JACK S. MARTIN, 1311 North Prieur Street, New Orleans, //advised that he has never heard DAVID FERRIE make a statement
that President KENNEDY should be killed, or outline a means by
which he could be killed. MARTIN stated he had never made a
statement to anyone regarding this allegation.

He advised that over several years association with FERRIE, he has heard him state the Deputy Sheriffs in Jefferson Parish who had charged him (FFRRIE) with a Crime against Nature offense, should be killed. His remarks were made in general conversation several years ago. MARTIN stated he had never repeated these comments to anyone.

MARTIN advised he had several phone discussions with HARDY DAVIS, a bail bondsman and self-confessed homosexual, regarding a television program which mentioned the possibility that DAVID FERRIE was associated with LEE HARVFY OSWALD in the Civil Air Patrol, and MARTIN and DAVIS may have come to the conclusion that OSWALD had used or carried FERRIE's library card.

He advised he had three telephone conversations with Assistant District Attorney HERMAN HOHLMAN, New Orleans, on Saturday, November 23, 1963, in which he told KOHLMAN that FERRIE had guns similar to the type used to kill President KENNEDY that had appeared on television, and further informed KOHIMAN that HARDY DAVIS had told him FERRIE possessed Cuban propaganda literature that he kept in attorney G. RAY GILL's office in New Orleans; but GILL made FERRIE move it approximately a year ago. MARTIN said DAVIS claimed it was Fair Play for Cuba Committee literature but MARTIN did not believe it, because he knew FERRIE was active with the Cuban Front Group that was anti-CASTRO. MARTIN stated he is acquainted with the leaders of the anti-CASTRO group that were in New Orleans before the Bay of Pigs Invasion, and was aware that FERRIE was also involved with this group. MERTIN advised he talked with JERRY PHILIP STEIN to obtain the phone number of KOHLMAN, who had recently married and obtained a new phone number, and that STEIN was the former roommate of KOHLMAN.

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MARTIN admitted he had talked with STEIN about FERRIE, but did not recall specifically what information he furnished STEIN.

MARTIN advised he called television station WWL, New Orleans, and told them they should contact Major PRESLEY J. TROSCLAIR of the New Orleans Police Department, who was investigating FERRIE's connection with the shooting of President KENNEDY. He made this call immediately after he had called Major TROSCLAIR and furnished him with his suspicions regarding FERRIE, based upon his personal knowledge of FERRIE and his observation of WWL-TV programs of the background of OSWALD.

MARTIN advised he received information from HARDY DAVIS that FERRIE was out of town and suspected FERRIE had gone to Texas. MARTIN made this information available to Assistant District Attorney KOHLMAN.

MARTIN further stated he considered FERRIE to be a completely degenerate person and it was his opinion that FERRIE is capable of any crime. It was for this reason MARTIN suspected FERRIE of being involved in the killing of President KENNEDY.

MARTIN advised he is a Private Investigator in New Orleans, but is not employed in this occupation at present.

MARTIN advised that he considered the possibility that FERRIE had taught OSWALD to shoot a rifle and use a telescopic sight, in that he knew FERRIE taught military training to Civil Air Patrol cadets and OSWALD was a Civil Air Patrol member. MARTIN insisted he told no one FERRIE had flown OSWALD to Dallas, Texas.

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G. WRAY GILL, 1705 Pere Marquette Building, advised that he has known DAVID W. FERRIE since about 1961, at which time GILL represented FERRIE in a criminal matter in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, and in a grievance brought by FERRIE against Eastern Air Lines following his dismissal from that company. Following the latter case, FERRIE worked for GILL as an investigator and all round handyman up to the present time at \$300 a month.

GILL said that FERRIE is brilliant but erratic. He said FERRIE is outspoken and appears to want to be the center of attraction. He said FERRIE has been affiliated with a local Cuban group operating out of the Balter Building. GILL is reasonably certain the Cubans were anti-Castro and were interested in overthrowing the present Cuban government. GILL believes that FERRIE's interest in this movement were probably to impress a group of young boys who run around with him.

GILL said that he has no direct knowledge whatever of any association between FERRIE and LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He said that last Saturday, November 23, 1963, he, GILL, received a call from BILL REED, WWL-TV inquiring as to the whereabouts of FERRIE. It was learned that the news media had been advised of possible involvement of FERRIE with LEE HARVEY OSWALD. GILL thereupon contacted W. HARDY DAVIS who then informed him that he had learned through hearsay when OSWALD was arrested by the Police Department in Dallas, Texas, he had in his possession a library card of DAVID W. FERRIE. DAVIS also informed him that his source of information, JACK MARTIN, also informed him that MARTIN had told the FBI and the New Orleans Police Department that FERRIE bad stated, in MARTIN's presence, that KENNEDY should be killed and had outlined plans to accomplish this; also that MARTIN had tipped off the FBI, Secret Service, New Orleans Police Department and news media that he had tied FERRIE to the assassination of President KENNEDY and that FERRIE knew OSWALD, had trained OSWALD and had flown him to Dallas. Texas; also, possibly, that FERRIE had trained OSWALD in the use of foreign weapons and a rifle scope. GILL said he

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is hazy as to the exact details of what he was informed by DAVIS but that the foregoing is the general nature of the information.

GILL noted that FERRIE and MARTIN were once close friends, until they got involved in a "ecclesiastical" deal wherein MARTIN was supposed to represent throughout a large territory the Holy Apostolic Catholic Church of North America. MARTIN blames FERRIE because he did not get the job and reportedly has slandered FERRIE at every opportunity.

GILL said that he went to FERRIE's residence, 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway, and found a young man, LAYFON MARTENS there. He informed MARTENS of the allegation against FERRIE and instructed him not to get himself involved, but to cooperate with the authorities in any manner he could as the matter allegedly involving FERRIE was very serious.

Later that evening FERRIE called him from Texas. He informed GILL that he had gone there to make arrangements for construction of a skating rink in New Orleans. FERRIE later returned to New Orleans and was arrested by the New Orleans Police Department for possible implication in the death of the late President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

GILL said that he recalled that FERRIE was in New Orleans the morning of the day President KENNEDY was assassinated. He said he recalls this date well because on that date the Federal Jury in New Orleans returned a verdict in favor of GILL's client, CARLOS MARCELLO. GILL thereupon contacted his secretary, Mrs. ANICE GUIDROZ, who stated that she was positive FERRIE was in the office at 12:15 p.m. on November 22, 1963, because he left at this time stating that he would be back at about 1:30 p.m., which he failed to do. GILL said that FERRIE had done some

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investigative work in the MARCELLO case and he recalls that FERRIE and others connected with the case were at the Royal Orleans Hotel on the evening of the day President KENNEDY was slain.

GILL was shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at which time he advised that he does not ever recall having seen the man in person.

GILL advised that he has never heard FERRIE make any statement or remark which would indicate that his feelings against any political figure were strong enough to precipitate physical action against that figure.

Date November 30, 1963

MELVIN STACEY COFFEY, 618 North Pierce Street, who is employed by Chrysler Corporation, Michoud Plant, New Orleans, Iouisiana, advised that he has lived in New Orleans most of his life. COFFEY said he has known DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE for the past eight or nine years. He related that in 1953 he started banging around the CAP Squadron at Moisant Airport, but at that time was too young to join the unit. He said that he finally joined the Moisant Squadron of CAP in early 1954 and at that time either JOE LISMAN, an employee of Delta Airlines, or a Captain YOUNG was the Commandant. COFFEY said that later, during the time he was a member of the Moisant Squadron, the Commandant changed, but he does not recall the identity of this individual.

COFFEY said that when he first joined the Moisant Squadron, the entire membership, including cadets and sendor members, was small, totaling approximately 15. He said that the membership of the squadron wavered between 15 and 30 members until 1956 when it grew to 50 - 70 members. COFFEY said he left the squadron in August or September, 1957.

COFFEY said that DAVID FERRIE was never directly associated with the Moisant Squadron, but FERRIE was a member of the New Orleans Squadron at the New Orleans Airport. He advised that the only time in his recollection that FERRIE had any direct association with the Moisant Squadron, was on one weekends when FERRIE coordinated a bivouac.

COFFEY stated that he entered the U. S. Army in November, 1958, and was honorably discharged in February, 1962, and that during the time he was in the service he saw DAVID FERRIE only on occasions when he was home on leave.

COFFEY said beginning in February, 1962, he started visiting DAVID FERRIE's nome about once a month and during the intervening year it has finally built up to the point where in the past six or seven months he has visited FERRIE's home approximately two or three times each week. COFFEY stated that he does not recall anyone by the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD as a member of or attending any meetings or activities of the Moisant Squadron of CAP. A photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was exhibited to COFFEY at which time he advised that he does

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now know OSWALD and he is unable to associate the photograph of OSWALD with any individual he knows. COFFEY further stated that he has never met anyone at DAVID FERRIE's home, nor has he been introduced to anyone by DAVID FERRIE by the name of LEE OSWALD and he has no recollection of FERRIE ever having mentioned anyone by that name. COFFEY stated that he has never met anyone at the home of DAVID FERRIE or been introduced to anyone by DAVID FERRIE by the names of V. T. LEE, O. H. LEE, ROBERT HIDELL, A. J. HIDELL, or ALEK JAMES HIDELL.

Wing Monoplane which accommodates four passengers. He said that FERRIE's plane is located at the New Orleans Airport and to the best of his krowledge this plane has not been airworthy for quite some time. He stated that the wings of the plane needed to be re-covered. COFFEY stated that he does not know exactly the period of time FERRIE's plane has been laid up and does not recall the last time FERRIE used his plane. However, he heard ALVIN BEAUBOUEF talking about a flight he and FERRIE made around the New Orleans area either never known FERRIE using his plane to fly to Cuba nor does he have any knowledge of FERRIE using any other plane for a trip

COFFEY stated on November 20, 1963, ALVIN BEAUBOUEF mentioned to him that he and FERRIE planned to take a trip, possibly to Houston, Texis, for the purpose of relaxing and inquired as to whether he would be interested in accompanying them. COFFEY stated that he contacted his supervisor and made necessary arrangements to make the trip with BEAUBOUEF and to whether they would go to Houston, Texas, or to Florida. However, DAVID FERRIE and BEAUBOUEF were particularly interested in ice skating and for that reason they were in favor of going to Houston, Texas. COFFEY said that to the best of his knowledged DAVID FERRIE placed a call to an ice skating rink in Houston, Texas, on Thursday night, to determine whether there was an ice skating rink in Houston, ice skating rink in Houston and whether it was open at that

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COFFEY stated that FERRIE picked both he and BEAUBOUEF up on Friday evening, November 22, 1963, and they left New Orleans in FERRIE's Comet station wagon and droved to John Paul's Restaurant in Kenner where they are supper. He said they left Kenner between 9:00 and 9:30 PM that night and traveled by way of Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Lake Charles andon to Houston, Texas.

CCFFEY stated that they arrived in Houston, Texas, at approximately 4:30 AM, November 23, 1963, and checked into the Altamotel. He stated that they did not leave the motel that morning, but retired shortly after their arrival. He stated that to the test of his recollection, they arose at approximately 2:00 PM and that the three of them went to Sears; Roebuck and Company where they purchased jackets and sweaters. COFFEY stated that they then went to Winterland Skating Rink where they went ice skating for a while and later contacted the owner of the skating rink. COFFEY related that FERRIE was interested in the possibility of opening a skating rink in New Orleans and talked to the owner of the Winterland Skating Rink concerning the cost of installation and operation of a skating rink.

After leaving the skating rink, they returned to the motel where they remained until approximately 7:30 or 8:00 PM, at which time they checked out. They stopped to eat at an unknown restaurant and then proceeded to Galveston, Texas. He stated that they arrived at Galveston, Texas, at approximately 11:00 or 11:30 PM and checked into the Driftwood Motel and retired for the night.

COFFEY stated that they arose early on the morning of November 24, 1963, and after having breakfast, drove to Port Arthur, Texas. He said that they purchased a set of spark plugs for the Comet station wagon at an unknown service station in Port Arthur, Texas. They then drove through Orange, Texas, and after crossing the Louisiana State Line, stopped at a bar and restaurant operated by an individual known only to him by the name of BUSTER. COFFEY said that FERRIE knew BUSTER and that after FERRIE had conversation with BUSTER of approximately one-half hour, they proceeded to Alexandria, Louisiana.

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COFFEY stated that ALVIN BEAUBOUEF had relatives in Alexandria and that they planned to "socialize" while in Alexandria and then return to New Orleans. He said that after arriving in Alexandria, DAVID FERRIE attempted to contact Attorney G. WRAY GILL, but was unsuccessful in contacting him. FERRIE then called his home and learned from LAYTON MARTENS that allegations had been made involving FERRIE in the assassination of President KENNEDY. COFFEY said that after learning this, they immediately returned to New Orleans and that on arrival in New Orleans FERRIE dropped him at his home.

COFFEY stated that he has never heard DAVID FERRIE make any statement that he thought President KENNEDY should be killed and has never heard him outline any plans or make any comments as to how this could be done or how should do it.

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VOEBEL stated that he and OSWALD were members of the Civil Air Patrol in New Orleans with Captain DAVE FERRIE during the time they were in school. He stated that one ROBERT ESTAV (phonetic) who lived on South Hennessey Street, was in the same class with him and OSWALD at Beauregard and was also in the Civil Air Patrol. VOEBEL stated that OSWALD did not really reveal anything about himself to anyone, not even to his mother unless it was something he specifically wanted to say.

VOEBEL stated that OSWALD did not tell him when he was leaving town. He stated that one day he stopped by OSWALD's apartment on Exchange Place and OSWALD was gone. This was sometime around 1955. VOEBEL stated he has had no-contact with him in any way, nor did he receive any information concerning him until a few days ago when OSWALD was arrested in connection with the shooting of the President. VOEBEL explained that he was in Mexico on the Yucatan Peninsula with a group from Louisiana State University during August of this year at the same time OSWALD was in New Orleans and was receiving publicity concerning the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. VOEBEL stated that he did not even know OSWALD had been in New Orleans this summer until he saw it a day or two ago on television. VOEBEL said that while at school OSWALD did not engage in any activities or athletics and had no other friends or associates except himself.

VOEBEL said that the NEWMEYER brothers to the best of his recollection, were recently arrested in New Orleans on narcotics charges outstanding against them. VOEBEL was unable to recall any additional information concerning OSWALD.

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BILL REID, News Director, WWL-TV, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that the following individuals were interviewed by his station as acquaintances of LEE HARVEY OSWALD who knew him when he attended Beauregard Junior High School, New Orleans:

PEGGY ZIMMERMAN, 832 Avenue G, Marrero, Louisiana

ANNA LANGLOIS, 2134 Metairie Road, New Orleans, Louisiana

BENNIE SMITH, 3522 Delambert, Chalmette, Louisiana

EDWARD VOEBEL, employed at Quality Florist Shop, 4916 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mr. REID stated that his station desired to interview DAVE FERRIE who reportedly was a former Civil Air Patrol pilot and an Eastern Airlines pilot and who lives at 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway. Mr. REID stated that FERRIE was in a Civil Air Patrol unit with OSWALD and reportedly knows him well. Mr. REID stated that all attempts by his station to contact FERRIE at the above address have been negative. (Mr. REID said that as far as he can determine FERRIE appears to be a homosexual.)

Mr. REID also stated that the film clip taken by his station of OSWALD distributing leaflets in New Orleans was now back in his possession and he would have a duplicate made of this film to be furnished to the FBI in the next couple of days.

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DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE was interviewed at the First District Station, New Orleans Police Department. FERRIE was advised of the identity of interviewing Agents. At the outset of the interview he was advised he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law and that he had the right to the advice of an attorney.

FERRIE advised he was born March 28, 1918, at Cleveland, Chio. His parents JAMES HOWARD and BUNDETTE C. FERRIE are both decessed. FERRIE said he received a B.A. Degree from Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio, in 1941. He also received a Ph. D. Degree from Phoenix University of Bari, Bari, Italy in 1957. FERRIE stated that his present address is 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway, where he has been residing since March, 1962.

FERRIE stated that in 1952 he became a member of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) in New Orleans, serving in the capacity of an instructor. He stated that in approximately 1953 he became Commandant of the CAP Squadron in New Orleans, continuing in this capacity until he resigned from the CAP in 1955 with the intention of returning to school. FERRIE related that the New Orleans Cadet Squadron of the CAP functioned at the Lakefront Airport. He stated that the squadron was usually made up of approximately 75 boys and the estrition rate in the squadrom was approximately 20%. FERRIM stated that the squadron met twice a week. He stated that during the period be was Commandant of the squadron, JERRY C. PARADIS was the recruit instructor and took all of the squarron recruits through their training. FERRIE said that PARADIS presently has offices at 225 Baronne Building and resides at 5704 Prytania Street. New Ckleans La.

FERRIE stated that during the period 1952-1955 he does not recall taking any recruit class through their training program. Affect he became Commandant he is certain he did not instruct the recruits. FERRIE stated that he never at any time instructed either the recruits on the regular squadron members in the use of firearms, or afforded them any type of firearms training for the reason he was

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always able to secure the service of a qualified instructor in this type training. FERRIE related that the cadets in the squadron were instructed in the use of .22 caliber rifles with adjustable rear sights, but these rifles were not equipped with telescopic sights. He stated that the cadets received instruction in the firing of .22 caliber rifles approximately four times each year. In addition, at the annual encampaent of the CAP which was held outside of the New Orleans area the cadets were permitted to fire N-1 rifles under the supervision of a qualified instructor.

FERRIE said he has never owned a telescopic sight or a rifle equipped with a telescopic sight, and to the best of his recollection he has never used a weapon equipped with a telescopic sight and would not know how to use one.

OSWALD and to the best of his knowledge OSWALD was never a member of the CAP Squadron in New Orleans during the period he was with that group. FERRIE said that if OSWALD was a member of the squadron for only a few weeks, as had been claimed, he would have been considered a recruit and that he (FERRIE) would not have had any contact with him. FERRIE stated that he was succeeded as Commandant of the New A Orleans Squadron of the CAP by a man mane A HINTON.

FERRIE stated that he was again associated with the CAP in New Orleans from 1958 to the end of 1960 or the beginning of 1961, serving in the capacity as instructor and later as executive officer. He said that Major BOB MORRELL was the Commandant. FERRIE stated that his applications with the CAP covering both periods he served with that unit should be on file with the CAP at Ellington Air Force Base, Houston, Texas. FERRIE related that there was a period during 1958, exact dates not recalled, in which he instructed at the CAP Squadron before he submitted his application.

FERRIE said that to the best of his knowledge he does not know any individual named LEE HARVEY OSWALD nor has he ever known the individual represented by photograph presented to him as that of LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the CAP, in any business connection or in any social expacity. He said that he does not recognize the name or the photograph as being anyone he has ever had any contact with nt any time.

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A photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, New Orleans Police Department Number 112723 taken on August 9, 1963, showing a profile, full face and full length photograph of OSWALD was exhibited to FERRIE. FERRIE upon viewing the photograph stated that the profile view of the photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD has a very vague familiarity to him but the full face and full length photographs of OSWALD are not familiar to him.

perner informed that since March, 1962 he has been employed by Attorney G. WRAY GILL in New Orleans as an investigator and law clerk. He said that since the end of August, 1963 and up until November 22, 1963 he has been working on a case involving CARLOS MARCELLO who was charged in Federal Court in connection with a fraudulent birth certificate. FERRIE stated that the trial of MARCELLO began in Federal Court in New Orleans, Louisiana on November 4, 1963 and ended on November 22, 1963 and that he was in New Orleans working with Attorney G. WRAY GILL on the case during this period. He stated that on November 9 and November 16, 1963 he was at Churchill Downs, which is a farm owned by CARLOS MARCELLO, mapping strategy in connection with MARCELLO's trial. He informed that on November 11, 1963 he was in New Orleans, during the entire day and did not leave the city.

FERRIE stated that from October 11 to October 18, 1963 he was in Guatemala and again from October 30, 1963 to November 1, 1963 he was in Guatemala in connection with investigation of the MARCELLO case.

FERRIE said that prior to a very recent trip he was last in the state of Texas in August, 1962 at which time he was in Orange, Texas. FERRIE said that he had planned during the trial of the MARCELLO case that immediately upon the conclusion of that case he would take a trip for the purpose of relaxing. ---

He said that he left his home at 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway, New Orleans, on November 22, 1963, roughly at 6:30 PM in his 1961 light blue Comet four-door station wagon which he purchased from the Delta Mercury Company in New Orleans within the past month. He stated that CHARLES GRAHAM a salesman at Delta Mercury Company sold the Comet station wagon to him.

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FERRIE related that on leaving his home he drove to the homes of ALVIN EEAUBOURF and MELVIN COFFET and picked them up in order that they might accompany him on the trip. He stated that at the time he left his home he did not know where he was going. He said that the purpose of the trip was to merely relax and at that time he did not know whether he was going "hunting, drinking or driving". FERRIE stated he did not take any firearms with him when he left his home because he thought he might go cut of the state of Louisiana and he did not know what the hunting seasons were in other states and he was also concerned about transporting firearms across the state line.

FERRIE said that he had been considering for some time the feasibility and possibility of opening an ice skating rink in New Orleans. He claimed that he made a telephone call, possibly from MELVIN COFFEY's home to CHUCH ROLLAND at the Winterland Skating Rink in Rouston, Texas. He advised that this call to ROLLAND was charged to either telephone number 899-3598 or 486-3127. FERRIE claimed that he had no prior acquaintance with ROLLAND but had knowledge of the fact that the Winterland Skating Rink was located in Houston.

between 6:30 and 7:00 PM accompanied by BEAUBOUAF and COFFEY and drove to John Paul's Restaurant, Kenner, Louisiana, where they stopped to eat. He said that at approximately 9:00 PM or shortly after 9:00 PM, November 22, 1963, he, BEAUBOUAF and COFFEY left John Paul's Restaurant to go to Houston, Texas. He informed that the route traveled was through Baton Rouge to Lafayette, Louisiana and through Lake Charles, Louisiana to Houston, Texas. FERRIE claimed they arrived in Houston between 4:30 and 5:30 AM and went directly to the Alamotel located on South Main Street, six to ten blocks south of the Shamrock Hilton Hotel, where they checked into Room 19. He stated that the three of them registered on the same card at the motel. After registering they retired for the night.

FERRIE claims that he had left a call at the motel office for 8:30 AM and another call for 10:30 AM but has no recollection of receiving a call from the motel office at either time. FERRIE said he had left the calls so that he could call Attorney G. WRAY GILL in New Orleans to tell him

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he had left New Orleans and was on a vacation trip. FERRIE stated that he and his companions avakened roughly at moon and after having breakfast he went down Main Street to Sears, Roebuck and Company where he purchased a jacket, a sweater and several other items. After leaving Sears, they drove directly to the Winterland Ice Skating Rink, 2400 Norfolk, which he had learned opened at 3:30 PM and closed at 5:30 PM.

FERRIE said he rented skates and skated at the rink for a while locking the situation over and also taking into consideration the amount of business at the rink. He stated that he them introduced himself to CHUCK ROLLARD and spoke with him at length concerning the cost of installation and operation of the rink. FERRIE exhibited a leaflet of the Winterland Ice Skating Rink, 2400 Norfolk, Houston, Texas, ___ which he had in his possession. FERRIE stated that during the time he was talking to CHUCK ROLLAND other exployees of ROLLAND were present at the rink. He recalled specifically there was a young boy who was passing out skates and an older man who was on duty at the rink but he does not recall whether he was introduced to these two individuals or not. FERRIE claimed that he remained at the Winterland Skating Rink for a period of approximately two hours and after leaving there he returned to the motel.

After arriving at the motel he placed a telephone call to Attorney G. WRAY GILL but was unable to complete this call. He placed a second call to the Town and Country Motel in an effort to determine whether Attorney GILL was located at the Town and Country Motel. FERRIE further related that ALVIN BEAUBOUEF may have made a telephone call to his home. He said that later they checked out of the Alamotel and went to the Bellaire Skating Rink on Chimney Rock Road in the Belleview section of Houston, arriving there between 7:30 and 8:00 PM .- FERRIE-stated that he looked the skating rink over and tried to locate the owner but the owner was unavailable. He said that he remained at the Bellaire Skating Rink for approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour. On leaving the skating rink they drove out Old Spanish Fort Trail and stopped at a restaurant near Telephone Road. They left this restaurant at approximately 9:00 or shortly after 9:00 PM and decided to drive to Galveston, Texas. He said that while enrorts to Galveston, Texas, they stopped at the Mained Space Craft

Center and looked around for about 20 minutes. They then proceeded to Galveston, Texas, arriving there between 10:30 and 11:30 PM. They immediately checked into Room 117 at the Driftwood Motel, 3128 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston. After checking into the motel they drove around in the vicinity of some old clubs in Galveston, Texas, returning to the motel sometime after midnight and it could possibly have been as late as 1:00 AM.

FERRIE stated that they arose around 8:00 or 8:30 AM on November 24, 1963. After having breakfast they took the ferry across the bay to pick up the road to Port Arthur, Texas that runs along the coast. FERRIE stated the first stop they made after reaching Fort Arthurwas at the Gulf Service Station on the left hand side of the highway in Port Arthur, Texas where they purchased a new set of spark plugs for the___ Comet station wagon. He stated that there was a television set in this station and as he walked into the station there was a picture on the television set showing the shooting of LEE OSWALD in the basement of the Dallas City Jail. FERRIE said he presumed he was looking at the original live broadcast of the shooting and that this was in the vicinity of 12:00 Noon on that date. He said that after changing the spark plugs in the station wagon he ran the car up on the rack in order that the attendent could check the transmission and differential. FERRIE estimated that he remained at this service station for approximately 20 to 30 minutes. They then left Port Arthur and drove to Orange, Texas and after crossing the Louisiana state line they stopped at Buster's Bar and Restaurant: He stated that the operator of Baster's Bar and Restaurant is MARION JAMES JOHNSON who is a cilent of Attorney G. WRAY GILL. He stated that he contacted JCHNSON at the bar and restaurant and talked to JOHNSON for approximately 30 minutes discussing the status of an appeal or a perjury conviction of JORNSON in connection with an income tax case on Sheriff REID at Lake Charles, Louisiana.

On leaving Buster's Bar and Restaurant they drove to Alexandria, Louisiana, arriving there at approximately 4:00 PM. FERRIE informed that ALVIN BEAUBOURF has relatives in Alexandria. FERRIE also said that he had tentatively planned to attend a party in Alexandria and that his plans were tentative because he did not know whether or not

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he would be needed in New Orleans on November 25, 1963 in connection with the trial of a murder case which was scheduled to begin on that date. He stated that to ascertain whether he would be needed in New Orleans he made several pre-paid long distance telephone calls from a gas station trying to reach Attorney G. WRAY GILL's office, but was unsuccessful. He stated that he then telephonically contacted his home and talked to LAYTON MARTENS who at that time informed him that two WWL-TV representatives had been making inquiries at his home and in the neighborhood and he learned that he was being accused of being implicated in the assassingtion of President KENNEDY.

FERRIE said that as a result of the information furnished by LATTON he was very much disturbed over the fact that he was being accused of being implicated in the assassination of the President and that he left Alexandria, Louisiana between 4:00 and 5:00 PM, possibly close to 5:00 PM. He said that he stopped at several service stations along the way to use the telephone in an attempt to reach Attorney G. WRAY GILL. He said that he was finally successful in contacting Attorney GILL by telephone and that Attorney GILL informed him that HARDY DAVIS, a former bondsman in New Orleans, had telephonically contacted GILL stating that DAVIS had been contacted by JACK S. MARTIN who claimed he had tied FERRIE in with the killing of President KENNEDY and had tipped off the Orleans Parish District Attorney's office, the FBI, the Secret Service, newspapers and radio stations. MARTIN claimed that FERRIE knew OSWALD, had trained OSWALD and had flown OSWALD to Dallas, Texas. FERRIE said he asked Attorney GILL if he had made any attempt to verify any of this information and if he thought there was any substance to it. FERRIE said he told Attorney GILL what LAYTON MARTENS had told him about the inquiries of the WWL-TV representatives and asked Attorney GILL for his advice. Attorney GILL advised him to continue with his plans and to return to New Orleans in keeping with his original plans. FERRIE said that he proceeded directly to New Orleans, stopping at a restaurant on the west side of the highway at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, which restaurant is located between the Mississippi River Bridge and the Hammond Circle. He stated that this restaurant has several rooms and that one of the dining rooms is for formal attire and one is for informal attire and that this restaurant

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specializes in steaks. He said that after eating they drove on to New Orleans, arriving at about 9:30 PM. He stated that he dropped ALVIN BEAUBOURF in the vicinity of his (FERRIE's) home in order that BEAUBOURF could check his home to see if anyone was waiting for him. He then drove to MELVIN COFFEY's home and dropped him off. FERRIE said that he then telephonically contacted Attorney GILL for the purpose of trying to get GILL to obtain more information concerning the accusations made against him. He stated that after talking to Attorney GILL he drove to Ermond. Louisiana by way of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and upon arriving in Hammond contacted a friend, THOMAS COMPTON at the Holloway-Smith Hall at Southeastern Louisiana College. He said that COMPTON is doing research at this school. FERRIE claimed that he spent the balance of the night at Holloway-Smith Hall and remained in Hammond until 1:00 or 1:30 PM, November 25, 1963.

He stated that he then drove to New Orleans and went directly to his home where he obtained a clean shirt and then proceeded to the office of Attorney GILL. He stated that from there he went to the District Attorney's office accompanied by Mr. GILL where he surrendered to the District Attorney.

FERRIE said that while in Texas he had talked to waitresses, service station people, clerks, and operators of motels, and that during these conversations he had speculated concerning the assassination of the President and had speculated as to whether the police had arrested the right man, whether the press was giving the complete story and had speculated as to the leftist tendencies of LEE OSWALD and his theory of why OSWALD shot President KENFEDY. He said that it was his theory that LEE OSWALD was paramoidal, probably on the psychotic side and that this act was his attempt to redress the imagined wrongs done OSWALD in the service and was accomplished by destroying the very root of the authority he, OSWALD "bucked".

In regard to JACK S. MARTIN, FERRIE said that he also knew MARTIN had used the names of SUGGS and SCROGGS and that MARTIN lives in the 1900 block of North Prieur on the corner of North Prieur and Esplanade and that the house is located on the southwest corner of that intersection.

FERRIE claimed that JACK S. MARTIN was a private detective

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who he first met in the Fall of 1961. He said that since that time MARTIN has attempted to insert himself into his, FERRIE's personal affairs. He claimed that at the time he first met MARTIN, MARTIN was working for a woman in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, named CATHERINE WILKERSON or WILKINSON or some similar name. He stated that MARTIN was endeavoring to expose various frauds in the Diploma Mills and Ecclesiastical Mills and was particularly interested in CARL INSTANLEY of Louisville, Kentucky who called himself CHRISTOPHER MARIA. He Stated that MARTIN was desirous of obtaining some of the phony certificates of ordination and consecretion used by STANLEY and to forward them to Washington, D. C. He said that MARTIN asked his assistance in this investigation and that he accompanied MARTIN to Louisville. stated that he received only part of his fee for the investigation conducted with MARTIN. FERRIE said that he was slow in catching on to MARTIN but determined that MARTIN was dealing in phony certificates. He said that he regarded MARTIN as being an unethical and dangerous person. FERRIE claimed that in 1962 MARTIN disappeared from the scene and after several months suddenly re-appeared. He stated that MARTIN began visiting him at the office of Attorney G. WRAY GILL and that Mr. GILL did not want MARTIN hazging around his office. FERRIE claimed that in June of 1963 he put MARTIN out of Mr. GILL's office in an undiplomatic manner and that since that time MARTIN has bedeviled him in every manner possible.

FERRIE said that he had learned that some time after he put MARTIN out of Mr. GILL's office MARTIN was moving around to various parts of the United States contacting first one clergyman and then another who were connected with the old Catholic Church trying to get ordained and gave FERRIE's name as a character reference. He further determined that MARTIN was making long distance telephone calls charging these calls to Attorney GILL's office and the office of GUE BANISTER, Guy Banister Associates. FERRIE further informed that he determined that MARTIN-had previously been admitted to the psychiatric ward at Charity Hospital where he was diagnosed as a paranoid. FERRIE said he had also learned that MARTIN had been a sergeant in the U.S. Army and while in service had been mixed up in obtaining phony degrees in medicine, chiropractic and maturopathy by finding a college that was not in operation but whose charter was not defunct.

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FERRIE informed that he had also determined that MARTIN had been charged with nurder in connection with the illegal practice of medicine in Houston, Texas. However, he believes that this charge was later dismissed.

FERRIE said that he had learned through interviews with other officers that one of the allegations made against him was that when OSWALD was arrested he had his (FERRIE's) library card in OSWALD's possession and that it had been alleged that OSWALD had been using FERRIE's library card to get books at the New Orleans Public Library. FERRIE said that in his personal property located in the Property Room at the First District is his library card which expired March 13, 1963. FERRIE said that he has not made application for a new card since the above card expired and that this card has been in his possession at all times.

FERRIE informed that he has owned a Stinson 150 single engine, blue and white four passenger monoplane, registration number 8193K, since 1948. He stated that this aircraft has not been airworthy since the license expired in April, 1962. FERRIE said that this information can be verified through the FAA Department of Airworthiness Certification in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. FERRIE informed that he has never flown this plane to Cuba and that it has been only as far south as Mizmi, Florida. He claimed that the plane was flown to Dallas, Texas one time since he purchased it, which was during the year 1949.

FERRIE stated that from approximately November, 1960 until August, 1961 he was associated with the Cuban Revolutionary Front in New Orleans, Louisiana. He stated that he had been actively engaged in working for the Cuban Revolutionary Front collecting food, money, medicine and clothing for the organization as well as giving talks before various citizen's groups. He stated that at the time he was associated with the Cuban Revolutionary Front the office of the organization was located in the Balter Building and that SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH was the head of this organization in New Orleans. FERRIE said that he has never known of the Cuban Revolutionary Front maintaining an office at 544 Camp Street, nor does he have any knowledge of SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH maintaining an office at that address during the time he was head of the organization and later after he was replaced.

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FERRIE said that the Cuban Revolutionary Front was definitely an anti-Castro organization and that all persons connected with the organization were violently anti-Castro. FERRIE stated that he has not had any connection with the Cuban Revolutionary Front or any other anti-Castro organization since August, 1961. He stated that after disassociating himself with the Cutar Revolutionary Front he continued to have contact with SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH which was purely social in nature. He stated that some months after he ceased his activities with the organization, SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH gave up the leadership of the organization and was replaced by an individual named mABEL. FERRIE related that SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH then went into the advertising business in New Orleans and that he had assisted SMITH in preparing letters in connection with his advertising business. FERRIE said that in 1962 SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH attempted to organize a fund raising committee, the name of which he does not recall, but he does not believe this organization ever materialized. He stated that SMITH was interested at that time in issuing a commemoration coin depicting the Bay of Pigs Invasion which was to be sold to a coin company. He stated that ShITH's plan provided that for a certain amount donated by an individual the donor would receive one of the commemorative coins from the coin company. FERRIE related that in connection with this plan SMITH obtained vendor's license from the City of New Orleans. FERRIE said that he does not believe that this plan was ever placed into effect by SMITH and it is his belief that SMITH subsequently abandoned this idea.

FERRIE said that he does not have any recollection of any organization in New Orleans named the Fair Play for Cuba Committee and has never had any connection with any individual representing an organization by that name.

FERRIE recalled that the following individuals were connected with the Civil Air Patrol during the period 1954 to 1955:

LEON GUIDRY, Cadet Comiander
BOBBY RADELAT, Cadet Executive Officer
TOMMY MCKIBBEN, Flight Leader
GEORGE BOESCH, Flight Leader
ROY CLEMMENS (ON CHEMMENTS), Rifle Instructor

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FERRIE further informed that the following individuals could possibly furnish information concerning his activities and whereabouts:

ALICE GUIDBOZ, employee of Attorney G. WRAY GILL;
REGINAXTRANCOVICH (phonetic), employee of GILL;
MELVIN COFFEY;
ALVIN BEAUBOUEF;
JORGANIAN who is employed by Curtis and Davis,
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FERRIE exhibited U. S. Passport Number B085860 in the name of DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE issued September 18, 1961. This passport reflected that visa number 1236 was issued by the Consulate General of Guatemala of New Orleans, Louisiana, September 25, 1963. The passport shows that FERRIE entered Guatemala in October 11, 1963 and departed October 18, 1963. The passport further shows that visa number 1406 was issued by Consulate General of Guatemala, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 29, 1963. The passport shows that FERRIE entered Guatemala on October 30, 1963 and departed November 1, 1963.

. FERRIE advised that he does not know any individual by the name of JACK RUBY or JACK RUBENSTEIN.

FERRIE stated that he is not implicated in the assassination of President KENNEDY in any manner and is willing to cooperate in any manner to prove that he was not implicated in the killing of the President. He stated that he offered to the District Attorney of Orleans Parish to submit to certain examinations to prove his innocence.

The following physical examination was obtained through interview and observation:

Name:
Race:
Sex:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Height:
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DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE
White
Male
March 20, 1918
Cleveland, Ohio
5 feet 11 inches
190 pounds
Brown

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Hair:

Complexion: Build: Scars and Marks:

Marital Status: Military Status: Bald; wears brownish-red toupee
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Noul Calonis Mr. ALEC GIFFORD, WDSU-TV, informed that on the innight of October 24, 1963, Mr. DON-MITCHELL of New Orleans; is connected with Walker-Saucy Advertising Company in New Orleans, informed him that his roommate, JERRY STEIN, also an employee of Walker-Saucy Advertising, had received a telephone call from an individual known to MITCHELL as JACK (last name unknown). He stated this individual JACK provided STEIN with information concerning an individual by the name of DAVE FERRIE who allegedly was formerly connected with one of the airlines in New Orleans and who was presently living in New Orleans at 3330 Louisiana Parkway. GIFFORD stated that he understood from what was told STEIN by JACK that FERRIE had been very friendly with LEE HARVEY OSWALD of Dallas, Texas and who had been charged with the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. JACK related to STEIN that FERRIE was supposedly the individual who had showed OSWALD how to shoot a rifle with a telescopic sight. He also had apparently been with OSWALD in Dallas, Texas sometime within the last ten days or two weeks.

GIFFORD stated that based upon the information from MITCHELL he informed Mr. JOHN RICE of the U. S. Secret Service in New Orleans of this information and at that time told RICE that he intended to personally interview DAVE FERRIE at his residence to find out whether there was any basis, in fact, concerning this information.

He stated he went to 3330 Louisiana Parkway in New Orleans for the purpose of contacting DAVE FERRIE but did not find him at home. He stated as a result of this, he inquired of two different neighbors in the area concerning FERRIE and at that time learned that one of the neighbors thought that FERRIE was a psychiatrist and that the other was sure that he was a psychiatrist. They stated FERRIE was doing private psychiatric work in the neighborhood and was believed to have a clinic or an office in downtown New Orleans, however he could not determine where this office was. He stated FERRIE had been living at this address on Louisiana Parkway for over a year and that FERRIE had allegedly studied psychiatry or psychology in Italy. One of the neighbors told him that most of FERRIE's patients were young men usually

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between the ages of 18 and 24 and that he had an almost continuous stream of patients coming to his apartment. They stated that FERRIE usually discussed their problems with these young men for an hour or two at a time. They informed also that they believed FERRIE was possibly a hypnotist or practiced hypnotism, which may have some connection with his psychiatric practice.

He stated he learned also that FERRIE owns a motorcycle and that this is apparently his only means of transportation.

GIFFORD stated he has been of the impression since making these inquiries and talking to MITCHELL that FERRIE is apparently a homosexual and has tendencies along this line.

While at the address of FERRIE on Louisiana Parkway he, GIFFORD, met Mr. RICE of the U. S. Secret Service who was also attempting to contact FERRIE and gathered that the Secret Service was interested in this information and would undoubtedly be interviewing FERRIE.

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JERRY PHILLIP STEIN, 1501 General Taylor, advised that on Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, at approximately 10:00 AM, he received a telephone call from an individual who identified himself as JACK and gave his last name, although he cannot remember it. JACK asked to speak to HERMAN KOHLMAN, STEIN's former roommate. JACK said he wanted to tell KOHLMAN about an individual, DAVE FERRIE, on whom KOHLMAN had written an article during the time KOHLMAN was employed as a reporter by the New Orleans Times Picayune Newspaper. JACK told him that FERRIE was in Texas at this time and asked STEIN if he knew that FERRIE had taught LEE HARVEY OSWALD to fire foreign weapons and had also been instrumental with OSWALD in the distribution of literature, which he did not identify. [STEIN said that JACK implied that FERRIE was a homosexual]

STEIN informed JACK that KOHLMAN no longer was his roommate and gave him KOHLMAN's phone number. He said that in a few minutes JACK called him back and said the number he had given him was the wrong one, but STEIN told him it was the correct number, and JACK hung up. STEIN then called KOHLMAN at his residence and told him that JACK was going to call him and give him some information about a fellow named DAVE FERRIE. STEIN said this is all the information he has regarding these phone calls and can furnish no further information regarding the identity of JACK or the relationship between FERRIE and OSWALD.

STEIN said he did not know OSWALD or FERRIE, and although he may have met JACK in the past, STEIN could not recall him.

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HERMAN KOHLMAN, Assistant District Attorney, Parish of Orleans, advised that he is familiar with DAVID FERRIE from his past experience as a news reporter. KOHLMAN said he prepared a feature story on FERRIE's activities several years ago. He advised that he heard that FERRIE was mentioned in connection with being associated with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and he talked to JACK MARTIN, a private investigator who "refreshed his memory" about FERRIE. Based upon these facts, the District Attorney's Office instituted an investigation involving FERRIE. He advised that FERRIE was interviewed by members of the District Attorney's staff and denied knowing LEE HARVEY OSWALD or having any information about OSWALD's being in the Civil Air Patrol.

KOHLMAN stated that the District Attorney's Office had received information from the Intelligence Unit of the New Qrleans Police Department who had previously conducted inquiries regarding FERRIE's connection with Cuba or Cuban activities. An unknown police officer had told the Intelligence Division of the New Orleans Police Department that he was in the Civil Air Patrol with LEE HARVEY OSWALD and that FERRIE knew OSWALD.

KOHLMAN advised that because FERRIE must have known OSWALD and because it appeared he had lied when he denied knowing OSWALD, FERRIE was arrested.

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LAYTON PATRICK MARTENS, age 20, was interviewed out-

side the Second District of the New Orleans Police located at the corner of Magazine and Napoleon Streets, New Orleans, Louisiana.

MARTENS gave his home address as 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway New Orleans, and advised that his mother, Mrs. E. C. MARTENS lived at 5516 Camp Street, New Orleans! He said he had lived at the 3330 Louisiana address which is the home of DAVID FERRIE since Sunday, November 17, 1963, after having been "kicked out" of his mother's residence. He also stated that ALVIN BEAUFOUEF had stayed at the FERRIE residence on Monday and Tuesday nights, November 18 and 19, 1963.

MARTEMS said FERRIE was a family acquaintance and that he had known him for approximately five years and had known BEAURCUEF about one year. He first became acquainted with FERRIE in 1958 in the Civil Air Patrol where he, MARTEMS, was a cadet from August, 1958, to June, 1961, under the leader-ship of Captain FERRIE.

He said FERRIE is currently employed as a research librarian for G.WRAY GILL, a New Orleans Attorney and that he is also a psychologist.

When he was "kicked out" of his mother's place, FERRIE suggested that he come to live with him until he could find a place to live. MARTENS is currently employed as a Photostat Technician for the New Orleans Blueprint Company, 824 Union Avenue.

Through his association with FERRIE, he became associated with the Cutan Revolutionary Front on about April 17, 1961, until the latter part of August, 1961, when he left to go to collage at the University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana. MARTENS'job with the organization was a voluntary one and he visited consulates and local businessmen to secure funds to finance the organization. He said it was run under the leadership of ARCACHA SMITH whom he described as the third ranking delegate in the Provisional Government of Cuba and that the organization was anti-CASTRO.

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The office was located on the second floor of the Balter Building located on Carondelet Street.

On August 29, 1961, he, along with FERRIE, MELVIN

SEELING, age 24, whose mother lives in Gretna, Louisiana, and
who is protably employed as an airport control tower operator
in Corpus Christi, Texas, ANDREW ELACKHON, age 22, who was
attending Perkinston Junior College in Mississippi, were
arrested by the Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, Sheriff's Office
and FERRIE was charged with Crime Against Nature and he, MARTENS,
was charged with Vagrancy. MARTENS said they were released and
does not believe anyone was convicted as a result of the charges
made against them. Another member of the Cuban Revolutionary
Front was LAWPENCE FOX, about 25 years of age, who had been
born in a Latin Country, but lived in New Orleans for most of
his life.

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About 1:00 PM, November 24, 1963, G. WRAY GILL stopped at 3330 Louisiaza Avenue Parkway, the residence of FERRIE and said he was looking for FERRIE, but MARTENS, who was home alone, said he was not in. GILL stated that he had gotten word that LEE OSWALD, when he was picked up, had been carrying a library card with DAVID FERRIE's name on it and that FERRIE should contact him, GILL, and he would represent him as his attorney. In addition, GILL said that JACK MARTIN, an ex-policeman and private detective in New Orleans, who MARTENS knows to be a personal enemy of FERRIE, had gone to the police and the FBI and said that FERRIE had stated in his, MARTENS' presence, that the President should be killed and outlined plans to this effect.

MARTENS said GILL was there approximately five to ten minutes and left.

At about 3:00 PM, on November 24, 1963, he received a call from FERRIE who said, after MARTIN had related the above information to him, that he had talked with GILL and there was nothing to worry about. MARTENS said he did not know if the call was local or long distance and that he made an inquiry concerning this and FERRIE replied something to the effect that it was none of his business. During the conversation, FERRIE stated that the name of OSWALD did not ring a bell with him and that he did not know him.

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MARTENS said during his association with the Civil Air Patrol that, under the supervision of FERRIE, the group had built a telescope to be used for Astronomy, but that to his knowledge, FERRIE did not possess a telescope of his own. He said FERRIE owned a .38 caliber revolver and a short 30.06 caliber Mauser which had "peep" sights and no telescopic sights.

MARTENS said he knows FERRIE to be a great admirer of President KENNEDY and that he would classify him as a desegregationist.

In addition, MARTENS said he graduated in June, 1961, from Fortier High School located at the corner of Nashville and Freret, New Orleans, and had attended McMain Junior High School located at the corner of Nashville and South Claiborne, New Orleans.

MARTENS said LEE HARVEY OSWALD was unknown to him until the assassination of the President of the United States and that he has no knowledge which would shed any light concerning the assassination other than what he has read in the newspapers and heard through other news media.

To his knowledge there has been no association between FERRIE and OSWALD.

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ALVIN ROLAN BEAUBOUEF, 2427 Alvar Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, was contacted at the Second District Police Station, at Napoleon Avenue and Magazine Street. BEAUBOUEF advised that at approximately 1 a.m., November 25, 1963, he had gone to DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE's apartment at 3303 Louisiana Avenue Parkway to obtain a book from him and shortly after his arrival some New Orleans Policemen some how connected with the District Attorney's Office came in and arrested FERRIE, a boy named MARTINS and himself, after which he was taken to the Second District Police Station.

BEAUBOUEF stated that he had mef FERRIE approximately three years ago when he used to play hockey. It was his understanding that FERRIE was in some way connected with the Civil Air Patrol in New Orleans, and was a learned individual. BRAUBOUEF stated that he had been attending the John Curtis Christian High School and since he was falling behind in his subjects FERRIE had been tutoring him in his school work. He stated that he guessed since his arrest he would be kicked out of school and appeared to be extremely concerned over this. When asked why he had gone to FERRIE's apartment at 1 a.m. in the morning, he continued to state he had just gone for a book. He was then asked about his whereabouts for the past two or three days and as to whether he knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD at which time he stated that he did not want to answer any more questions until he had consulted with his attorney, G. WRAY GILL, and wanted to know if he was free BEAUBOUEF stated he had been booked at the to leave. Second District on a state vagrancy charge and that they had just released him at about 8 p.m. and wanted to know if there was any charge or reason why he could not now leave.

BEAUBOUEF was advised that he was not being charged or accused of anything but that it was desirous that he submit to further questioning and again he stated

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JACK S. MARTIN, 1311 North Prieur Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that he was listening to a TV program on WWL-TV reporting the life of LEE OSWALD and reporting various interviews with people in New Orleans that were acquainted with LEE OSWALD. MARTIN stated that one of the people interviewed whose name he does not know who he described as a white male, age early 20's, wearing horn rimmed glasses, recalled that OSWALD had been active in the Civil Air Patrol with DAVID FERRIE. MARTIN stated that when he heard this he "flipped". MARTIN advised that in his occupation as a private investigator he has had occasion to develop considerable, information about FERRIE and reported it to RICHARD EXROBY, Special Agent, Investigative Division, Office of Compliance and Security, Federal Aviation Agency, Washington, D. who must have a big file on FERRIE as they conducted a complete investigation of his activities in New Orleans several years ago. MARTIN advised that he called WWL-TV Station and furnished the station with background information about FERRIE, particularly his homosexual tendencies and the fact that he formerly operated the Civil Air Patrol. He also told them that FERRIE was an amateur hypnotist and

MARTIN stated that he has visited in the home of DAVID FERRIE and he saw a group of photographs of various Civil Air Patrol cadet groups and in this group he is sure he saw several years ago a photograph of LEE OSWALD as a member of one of the classes. He stated he did not recall the group that OSWALD was in or any other details. In addition he stated that FERRIE conducted military type drills with rifles, fatigue clothes and helmet liners of the Civil Air Patrol Cadets and he recalled that FERRIE claimed to have taught these cadets how to shoot. MARTIN stated that he has observed in FERRIE's home a number of foreign made firearms and it is his opinion that FERRIE

that it was his idea that FERRIE may have hypnotized LEE OSWALD and planted a post-hypnotic suggestion that he kill

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could have taught OSWALD how to purchase a foreign made firearm or possibly have purchased the gun that was shown on television. He advised that he saw similar type weapons at FERRIE's home when he visited there two years ago.

MARTIN advised that FERRIE discussed with him the charges of crime against nature which resulted in his arrest by Jefferson Parish authorities and he recalled that FERRIE had told him that one of the "kids that was a witness against him" had moved to Mississippi from New Orleans and subsequently joined the United States Marine Corps. He heard on television that OSWALD had been in the Marine Corps therefore he surmised that OSWALD was that "kid", that he was a witness against FERRIE in the crime against nature charge that had joined the Marine Corps. MARTIN explained it might have been the same individual or a very close coincidence.

MARTIN advised that he has reported this matter to Major TROSCLAIR of the New Orleans Police Department, Intelligence Division, and he felt that Major TROSCLAIR was not giving the matter sufficient concern so he called Assistant District Attorney HERMAN KOHLMAN who was a former newspaper reporter and who was very familiar with the FERRIE case as he had written various feature stories about FERRIE. MARTIN stated that he explained all of his ideas and suspicions to KOHLMAN.

MARTIN advised that he was really suspicious of FERRIE's activities when he received a report from W. HARDY DAVIS, a New Orleans Bail Bondsman, who told him that G. WRAY GILL, New Orleans attorney and employer of FERRIE had called him to locate FERRIE who lives down the street from him and at the same time had denied to the TV station that FERRIE was an employee of GILL's Office. DAVIS furnished MARTIN information that FERRIE had left town for Texas on Friday evening, November 22, 1963, which information he

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also made available to Mr. KOHLMAN of the District Attorney's office. MARTIN stated that FERRIE is a completely disreputable person, a notorious sex deviate with a brilliant mind being highly trained in mathematics, sciences, several foreign languages including Latin, modern Greek and ancient Greek. MARTIN advised that FERRIE had been educated in a seminary and subsequently expelled from the Catholic Church and he, MARTIN, suspected him of being capable of committing any type of crime.

MARTIN stated that he felt that FERRIE's possible association with LEE OSWALD should be the subject of close examination as he personally believed that he could be implicated in the killing of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

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EDWARD VOEBEL, 4916 Canal Street (rear of Quality Flower Shop), was recontacted, VOEBEL stated that he had just been advised by BILL SLATTER of WDSU Television that DAVE FERRIE, who was commander of a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Unit at New Orleans in which VOEBEL was a member, was a homosexual. VOEBEL stated that now that he thinks about this situation, he recalled that FERRIE seemed to be an "odd ball" who rode a motorcycle and appeared very emotional. VOEBEL recalled that on one occasion FERRIE cried while listening to some music.

VCEBEL stated that during the 1955 school year at Beauregard Junior High School he joined the CAP. He stated that a fellow student, ROBERT/ESTAVE (PH), wore a CAP Uniform to school and told VCEBEL about the CAP and invited VCEBEL to join. VCEBEL remembered that he went with ESTAVE to Moisant Airport in Kenner, Louisiana, to a CAP meeting in the Eastern Airlines Hangar. VCEBEL stated that the meetings were held in a room located upstairs in the hangar. He stated that DAVID FERRIE was not commander of this CAP Unit at that time, and he was unable to recall the identity of the commanding officer of this unit. He recalled having to fill out an application and having it signed by his mother but could not remember whether he was given an oath when he joined.

VOEBEL stated that the unit held meetings on Sundays and sometimes on a week night. As best he could recall, the meetings were held about once a week. He said there were two "Wings" which totalled roughly 20 to 25 members, including a section for girls. He said he could not remember what the official designation was for the unit other than being the Moisant Airport Group. VOEBEL said he remained in this group for about one year and quit while he was attending Fortier High School sometime in 1956. He recalled that they attended classes in Meteorology, Engine Mechanics, Flight Instruction, Aerodynamics, Reading of Weather Reports, and Drills. He stated that the group never received any firearms training of any kind while he was a member.

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leader for Post 125 of the American Legion.

VOEBEL stated he believes that OSWALD never intended to remain in the unit at the New Orleans Municipal Airport and used this as an excuse to get out of the CAP. VOEBEL explained he did not believe OSWALD liked authority nor did he like drilling and he did not really want to be a member of the CAP but he, VOEBEL, talked OSWALD into joining. VOEBEL stated that he could not recall if Captain DAVE FERRIE was commander of the unitat the time OSWALD attended meetings or whether OSWALD attended meetings prior to Captain FERRIE taking command.

VOEBEL stated that the only other person he could recall as a member of the CAP Unit at Moisant Airport was (First name unknown) RONDELL (PH), who was a radio man. He recalled that RONDELL's father had a radio license and expected that his son through code training at the CAP would get a license, too. VOEBEL stated he had no contact with FERRIE other than at meetings with the CAP. He stated that FERRIE never indicated to anyone that he was fond of guns and appeared to be a music lover of sorts.

VOEBEL recalled that one time there was a big meeting scheduled for the CAP at Alexandria, Louisiana, and in order to get some training for the unit before going to this meeting, Captain FERRIE arranged for a one night bivouac. As best as VOEBEL can recall, this bivouac was held on a farm in Kenner, Louisiana, near Jefferson Highway, which belonged to a father of a member of the unit. He stated that they set up bunks in a barn. He recalled that Captain FERRIE told them they were going to have some rifle shooting practice and requested each member bring his own gun. VOEBEL stated he took his own personal .22 caliber rifle with him but it rained and they did not shoot. VOEBEL stated that OSWALD was not along on this bivouac as OSWALD had quit the unit sometime before this outing occurred.

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Mr. EHRLICKER, 111 East Oakridge Parkway, Metairie, Louisiana, Commander, Louisiana Wing, Civil Air Patrol (CAP), advised that he does not recall that LEE H. OSWALD was a member of the CAP. He said that he knows DAVID FERRIE was a CAP squadron commander, and that he was in charge of the New Orleans Cadet Squadron on two separate occasions. He said that CAP is required to keep personnel records for only four years. He stated that squadron records are distributed between HAROLD TOOLE and ALVIN MEISTER, who are Executive Officer and Commander, respectively. He contacted these two individuals, who stated that they would assemble what records they had in their possession, on November 26, 1963. He then stated that he would advise if he is able to locate a record identifiable with LEE H. OSWALD or DAVID FERRIE.

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PREDERICK O'SULLIVAN, 413 Heritage, Detective, Vice Squad, New Orleans Police Department, advised that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was in his homeroom when both attended Beauregard Junior High School in either 1954 or 1955.
O'SULLIVAN advised that he vaguely recalls OSWALD as he, OSWALD, was a rather strange individual. O'SULLIVAN explained that OSWALD was a loner and not the type of individual who attempted to make friends. About the only classmate that OSWALD seemed friendly with was an EDWARD VOEBEL, who presently works at the Quality Flower Shop on Canal Street. O'SULLIVAN knew nothing regarding OSWALD's habits, part time jobs or even where he was living while attending school. About the only other pertinent fact he could recall regarding OSWALD was that OSWALD was a member of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP).

O'SULLIVAN advised that he had joined the CAP in 1953. In New Orleans, the CAP was divided into two groups, one which met at Moisant Airport and the other held meetings at the New Orleans Airport. A Captain DAVE FERRIE was in charge of the group which met at New Orleans Airport during 1953. FERRIE then transferred and assumed command of the CAP at Moisant Airport at about the same time O'SULLIVAN thought OSWALD might have joined. Assisting FERRIE at that time was a woman by the name of GLADYS DURR, whom O'SULLIVAN believed was still living in New Orleans.

In discussing Captain DAVE FERRIE O'SULLIVAN advised that he had recently learned that FERRIE was a homosexual. He suggested if the FBI wished additional background information regarding FERRIE they contact MORRIS BROWNLEE, Jefferson Highway, who was a good friend of FERRIE and who was recently arrested on a morals charge.

In further discussing FERRIK O'SULLIVAN stated that he can recall an incident which occurred approximately eight years ago when FERRIEwas in charge of the CAP at Moisant Airport. FERRIE had acquired a reputation for being able to hypnotize people and after one of the CAP meetings, he demonstrated his ability by hypnotizing a ROBERT RADELET (phonetic) currently employed for IEM.

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DAVID PEARCE MAGYAR, Chief Pilot, Trans Gulf Seaplane Service, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that he obtained a visitors visa to travel to Mexico about September 17, 1963.

He advised he departed New Orleans by seaplane on September 24, 1963, and returned September 30, 1963. He was hired by the Williams - McWilliams Dredging Company of New Orleans to fly two employees to a point about 60 to 70 air miles south of Tampiko, Mexico. He advised that these employees of the Williams - McWilliams firm were CARL HACKENJOS and CARLYSHEARRER (Phonetic). He stated that they passed through American Customs at Brownsville, Texas, on going to and returning from Mexico. He stated that the Williams - McWilliams firm was hired by the Mexican Government to conduct an aerial survey in regards to dredging a canal in Mexico.

MAGYAR viewed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and advised that he does not personally know OSWALD and other than viewing him on television and reading about him in the newspapers, he does not know anything else about him.

MAGYAR advised that he was personally acquainted with Captain DAVE FERRIE but that this relationship was very casual as he did not consider FERRIE to be a close personal friend. He advised that FERRIE was a former Eastern Airlines pilot who about 10 years ago was in charge of the Civil Air Patrol Unit which held meetings at Moisant Airport. He recalls that FERRIE seemed to be able to handle young boys very well but does not know whether LEE HARVEY OSWALD was a member of the Civil Air Patrol at that time. He advised that GEORGE PIAZZA, 539 Henry Clay Avenue, was one of Captain DAVE FERRIE's best friends and would probably be able to furnish any pertinent information regarding FERRIE that was needed. MAGYAR was under the impression that PIAZZA was a former member of the Civil .Air Patrol and probably a member at the same time IFE HARVEY OSWALD allegedly was a member.

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