F. Profiles of Jack Ruby Associates *

INTRODUCTION

(865) The committee undertook an extensive review of Jack Ruby's friends, associates, and contacts in an effort to develop information relating to his background, activities, and possible criminal associations. The committee made an effort to examine more closely the full dimensions of Ruby's life, focusing in greater detail on his associations than was attempted by the Warren Commission or the FBI. In this connection, staff papers were prepared containing investigative profiles of a number of his associates and contacts, some of whom had organized crime connections.

(866) The following biographical summaries of these individuals are intended to provide a more complete picture of the range of Ruby's associations and activities, with emphasis on various criminal associates.** These staff papers were prepared at various times over the life of the committee. The information in them was taken from law enforcement and other files.

(867) It was not in all cases independently verified and should not necessarily be taken as the truth. Further, not all of the staff papers were updated as new material was developed or depositions of the subjects were taken. Consequently, they should be read as what they are: working documents summarizing relevant and irrelevant information, not all of which could be or was verified.

i. Andrew Armstrong, Jr.

Biographical Summary

(868) Andrew Armstrong, Jr., was born on March 20, 1937, in Pittsburg, Tex. He left school after completing 11th grade and moved to Dallas. (994) He was then 16 years old and has resided in Dallas ever since. (995) He has had a variety of occupations since leaving school. His first job was as a caddymaster at River Hills Golf Course. (996) When Armstrong left there he went to work at Wilson's Cafeteria in the Republic Bank Building. (997) He then worked at Vick's Restaurant. (998) From there he went to Vinson Steel Corp. where he filled orders for cut stainless steel and magnesium. (999) From 1958 to March 18, 1961, Armstrong was in prison on a narcotics charge. After his release, he began working at the El Rancho Hotel as a night clerk. (1000) Following this he worked as a maintenance man at the Holiday Hills Apartments, which belonged to the Hunt Oil Co. (1001) Armstrong said he never met H. L. or Lamar Hunt. (1002) He worked at the apartments until Christmas 1961. (1003) In January 1962, he got a job at the Marilyn Belt Factory. (1004) While working there, he also took a part-time job at the

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^{**}A number of profiles are followed by the depositions of the individuals taken by the committee. In one case, a copy of the staff summary of the interview with the individual has been included.