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RITA LESLIE SILDERNAN advised she resides at 12215 Hughes Circle, Dallas, Texas, where her telephone number is AD 9-5480. She said her stepfather, NORMAN SIEGEL, and her mother, LESLIE RODMEY SIEGEL, reside at that address and their telephone number is AD 9-5546. She said she is a student at Hillcrest High School and she is in the twelfth grade.

She said on November 22, 1963, about 8:00 or 8:30 P.M., she, together with MARGUERITE RIEGLER, DENNIS MARTIN, BILL NIKOLIS and BOB SINDELAR, met at Smith Dormitory at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Thereafter they drove to Phil's Delicatessen, which is located in Dallas, Texas, near the Love Field Airport on Oaklawn Avenue. She said they ordered food and while waiting for it to be served they observed a man talking to other patrons and also making a phone call. She said they paid no attention to this person's conversation, but after he finished his call he came to the table where he took a newspaper from BOB SINDELAR, asking him for it and taking it before he got permission to read it. She said this person took the paper and remarked, "How horrible it is", referring to the assassination of President JOEN F. KENNEDY.

Then the man made another telephone call and returned to the table, where he took the paper and talked about his hight clubs. She said the man turned to a couple of advertisements in the paper and she recalled that they were for the Carousel and Vegas Clubs, and this man said that he owned the clubs and would give passes to the group. Then he looked them over and remarked he could not give them passes because they were too young. One of the boys in the group jokingly said that he was over 21 and thereupon the man, presumably JACK RUBY, said, "Well, come around sometime and perhaps I'll let you in.

She said JACK RUBY seemed to be "upset" and he remarked htw horrible the death of the President was and, like everyone else, he talked generally about the assassination and articles which had been published concerning it.

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closing notices concerning the cluba. RUBY then walked to a telerhone and talked to someone on the telephone, but NIXOLIS and his party were unable to hear any of the conversation. RUBY then brought the paper back to the table. NIXOLIS asked RUBY what effect he thought the assassingtion of President KENNEDY would have on the city of Dallas and RUBY replied to the effect it would hurt business and that Dallas would get no more conventions.

DENNIS MARTIN asked RNBY several times about the passes to the Carousel Club, but RUBY commented that they were too young and never did give them any of the passes. To the best of his recollection this ended the conversation with RUBY and although he is not certain, he believes that he and his party left the delicatesser while RUBY was still there. They drove around town for a short time that evening, then went home. NIKOLIS continued that he was watching television and saw JACK RUBY shoot and kill LEE HARVEY OSWALD and from the many photographs he has sien of RUBY since then, he is almost positive in his own mind that the man in the delicatessen was JACK RUBY. The others of his group who were present at the delicatessen that night were of the same opinion and he was told by BOB SINDLAR that RICA SILEERMAN had called the Dallas Police Department after OSWALD was killed and told them of their encounter with JACK RCBY at the delicatessen. To his knowledge, none of their group were ever interviewed by members of the Dallas Police Department. He continued that to his knowledge, none of his group had ever seen JACK RUBY before, did not know him, and further none of them knew or had ever seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

NIKOLIS continued that he expects to leave Tyler, Texas at the end of May, 1964, and during the summer months of 1964 can be contacted in care of his uncle, NICK ZELIOUS, Besco Company, Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas.

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She said this man was only in the delicatessen a short time and left about the time that her group received their food crder. She said that they learned of the mar's identity as JACK RUBY through his telling them of his ownership of the night clubs and, also, through news articles which were published and radio broadcasts which announced that JACK RUBY killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD on November 24, 1963.

She looked at a Dallas Police photograph of JACK RUBY and remarked it appeared to be the same person who was present in the delicatesses on the night of November 22, 1963. She said the person in the restaurant wore a regular business suit and a hat and he did not look exactly like the police photograph because of his dress and the fact that he was wearing a hat.

She said she had never known or observed this person before this incident and she had never known LEE HARVEY OSWALD and knew of no connection between OSWALD and RUBY.

She said she believed that BILL MIKOLIS is currently encolled in Tyler Junior College. She did not know the whereabouts of DENNIS MARTIN. 1

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ROBERT LOUIS SINDELAR advised he has a room, number 362, in McElvaney Dormitory, located on the campus of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He said he resides in Apartment # 16 at 4630 Palm Gardens Apartments, where he has telephone number LA 6-0780 in Dallas, Texas. He said his home residence is 1821 Cuyler Avenue, Erwyn, Illinois, where he resides with his father, LOUIS SINDELAR.

He said on November 22, 1963, he joined a group of friends and all of them went to Phil's Delicatessen, 3531 Oaklawn Avenue, about 8:00 F.M. He said his friends wore BILL NIKOLIS, DENNIS MARTIN, RITA SILBERMAN and MARGUERITE RIEGLER. He said he recalled they bought a newspaper which they were reading and discussing at a table in Phil's Delicatessen while waiting for their food order to be prepared, and suddenly a man pulled the paper from his hand, at the same time asking him if he could borrow the paper. He said the man glanced at the paper, put it down on the table, and walked to a telephone fifteen or twenty feet away, where he proceeded to make a telephone call.

Mr. SINDELAR said he was unable to understand the conversation that this man had on the telephone, but when he completed his call he returned to the table and asked again if he might see the paper, at which time he advised SINDELAR and his companions he was the owner of the Carousel and Vegas Clubs in Dallas. The man remarked he wanted to see if his advertisements appeared that he had ordered for the paper and remarked that his two clubs were the only clubs that were closed because of the President's assassination. He said the man located the advartisements and showed them to the group, and BILL NIXOLIS asked the man if he thought the death of the President would affect Dallas and the man, later identified as JACK RUBY, replied that it would affect the convention business in the City of Dallas. He said BILL NIKOLIS then told JACK RUBY that he knew a former entertainer at the Vegas Club but he did not name the entertainer and RUBY did not discuss it at any length.

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