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Date 12/15/63

RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS, 2207 Greenbriar Street, Irving, Texas, advised he had known JACK RUBY for approximately twelve years. He stated he cannot recall how he met RUBY but believed it was through RUBY's operation of the Vegas Club. MATTHEWS stated he was only a "passing acquaintance" of RUBY. He added all the time he has known RUBY he has never had any discussions with him other than just to "pass the time of day".

MATTHEWS stated he had never heard of RUBY being involved in any type or form of gambling activity in the Dallas area and that he had never heard RUBY discuss anything concerning politics, business, etc. He had never heard RUBY make any statements concerning his, RUBY, political affiliations, dislikes or likes.

MATTHEWS stated that he had been in Havana, Cuba, from July, 1958 until January, 1959; later returned to Cuba about the middle of 1959 until about Rovember, 1990. During these trips he was working in the gambling casinos at the Hotel Deauville. MATTHEWS stated that during his residence in Cuba, he had never seen RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD and that he had never heard of RUBY or OSWALD being in Cuba during these periods.

MATTHEWS advised he had no information that RUBY was involved with anyone else in the killing of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He stated he had never heard of OSWALD until OSWALD was arrested for the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY and he had no information of any connection between OSWALD and RUBY or between RUBY and any police officers.

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Date Dec. 1, 1963

ELIZABETH ANN MATTHEWS, reciding 7204 South Lakeshore, Shreveport, Louisiana, ME 1-3753, advised she has had this telephone number since January, 1963, and such Is listed in her name.

ELIZABETH MATTHEWS advised the is divoced from R. D. MATTHEWS of Dallas and makes her residence in Shreveport, Louisianar howaver, sha is in Dallas frequently and stays with Mrs. VIRGIL ETCHISON, 3506 Durango, FLeetwood 2-6628. She said in Shreveport she attends Watson's Sunset Beauty School and is seeking to prepare herself as the owner and operator of a beauty school in Shreveport.

Mrs. MATTHEWS claimed she does not know JACK RUBY, has never met the man, has never been in any of his clubs, and is not acquainted with any persons working for him.

She claimed she cannot recall having received a long distance telephone call from Dallas on or about October 3, 1963, advising that she receives many long distance calls, and has no independent recollection of having taken a long distance call from anyone in Dallas on or about October 3, 1963. She stated it could have possibly been a call from some "character" or some businessman with whom she is acquainted at Dallas.

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