TOM APPLE, 2124 Forrest Oaks, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

Mr. APPLE is employed as a co-pilot for American Airlines. On the afternoon of November 23, 1963, Mr. APPLE and Mr. FRANK BELLOCCHIO, 9832 San Lea Drive, Dallas, met at Sol’s Turf Bar, Commerce Street. Mr. APPLE and Mr. BELLOCCHIO sat discussing the death of President KENNEDY which had happened the day before. BELLOCCHIO got up from the bar and walked to the rear of the bar. A short time later BELLOCCHIO returned to the bar where APPLE was sitting and displayed to him a polaroid camera photograph showing a sign which read, “Impeach EARL WARREN.” It is Mr. APPLE’s recollection that the sign “Impeach EARL WARREN” had been nailed to a board similar to a picket sign and had been stuffed behind a business plaque presumably on the side of the building which read Potter Art Iron Works. When BELLOCCHIO displayed the photograph to TOM APPLE, BELLOCCHIO was in the company of JACK RUBY, whom APPLE had never met before. APPLE stated that he asked RUBY if POTTER, of the Potter Art Iron Works Company, was aware that the sign had been placed on POTTER’s business sign, and it was APPLE’s recollection that RUBY stated that POTTER probably was not aware of it. APPLE stated that BELLOCCHIO had asked RUBY for the photograph but RUBY refused to give it to him. It is APPLE’s recollection that RUBY had remarked that he had some plans for the photograph and in giving a reason, he had used the word “scoop.” APPLE is unable to recall or explain what RUBY meant; however, APPLE speculated that he may have planned to furnish it to a newspaper. APPLE stated that shortly thereafter, RUBY departed Sol’s Turf Bar alone. Mr. APPLE had never known RUBY before this meeting and had no other information concerning him. Mr. APPLE stated he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD nor did he have any information of any acquaintanceship between OSWALD and RUBY.

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COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 3045

AUG 28, 1964

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I refer to page 640 et seq. of the report of Special Agent O’Connor, dated December 31, 1963 at Miami, Florida; and to page 553 of the report of Special Agent Clements, dated December 14, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, which concern the allegations of Mrs. Sylvia Odio of Dallas, Texas that she observed LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the company of two Cuban or Mexican men sometime in late September or early October 1963. I also refer to your letterhead memorandum, dated July 30, 1964 at Miami and August 5, 1964 at Dallas concerning the same subject. I enclose transcript of the testimony Mrs. Odio gave to Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler of our staff in Dallas on July 22, 1964 as well as a letter to me from James J. Rowley of the United States Secret Service, dated May 5, 1964 and the memoranda covered by Secret Service Control Numbers 3670, 1426 and 1476, all of which relate to the above subject.

It is a matter of some importance to the Commission that Mrs. Odio’s allegations either be proved or disproved. It appears from the report of Special Agent O’Connor mentioned above that at approximately the time Mrs. Odio said she saw Oswald in Dallas there was considerable activity in that area on the part of “JRE,” another organization composed of anti-Castro Cubans. It is possible that Mrs. Odio has confused “JRE” and “IRE” and that the representatives she saw allegedly in the company of Oswald were from “JRE,” or from some other anti-Castro organization. It is also possible that they were in fact pro-Castro individuals attempting to infiltrate the anti-Castro groups in Dallas.