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The following investigation was conducted by SA ROY M. OSBORN, at Birmingham, Alabama on November 25, 1963.

The following gambling informants of the Birmingham Office were contacted on November 25, 1963 and all denied knowing RUBY: BH 227-C, BH 220-C, BH 282-PC, BH 283-PC, BH 293-CP, BH 299-CP, and EUGENE MORRIS RILEY, PCI.

The following logical gambling sources were likewise contacted and could furnish no information concerning RUBY, and denied knowing him: CHARLES PHARO, Manager Bowlo-Mac, 3221 Third Avenue, South; ESTHER WRIGHT, Meyers Drive-In, 2731 Eighth Avenue North; ISRAEL COPLON, 1819 Fourth Avenue North, LOUIS KOPLON, 1813 Fourth Avenue North, GEORGE HARRISON, 3510 Sixth Avenue South, and JONES ANDERSON, 1827 First Avenue North. The above sources are either known gamblers or associates of same.

Records of the Birmingham Police Department contain no information concerning a JACK RUBY or RUBENSTEIN.

PCI NORMAN SIMON, personally negative on RUBY, provided name of MORRIS BLOCK, old-time Chicago bar operator and bookie, who furnished information forwarded in FD-302 and teletype lead for Chicago. Others contacted with negative results are LA 3445-C, LA 4400-PC, LA 4410-C, LA 4448-PC, PCI JACK IRVING FOX, PCI SAM FARKAS. PCI COSSLETT PALMER.

On November 26, 1963, Salt Lake City Office advised all logical sources and informants in the Salt Lake City Division have been contacted and alerted for information regarding RUBY. No pertinent information has been developed to date. Information as to sources contacted is being maintained in Salt Lake City files.

On December 2, 1963, the Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division, advised as follows:

"Fingerprints and palm prints Jack L. Ruby, FBI #693083E, not identical with latent impressions remaining unidentified in the case entitled 'Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, November 22, 1963; AFO.'"

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AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Gambling informants and sources, LV 26-C, LV 127-PC, LV 117-C-TE, CHARLES EDWARD ANDERSON, PCI, HARRY COOPERSMITH, PCI, EMANUAL FREEDMAN, PCI, all contacted 11/25/63, negative concerning RUBY. Las Vegas indices negative re YUDIE JACOBS, ART WAYNE, and SAMMY MENOSH.

On 11/26/63, Salt Lake City Office advised all logical sources in the Salt Lake City Division have been contacted and alerted for information regarding RUBY. No pertinent information has been developed to date. Information as to sources contacted is being maintained in Salt Lake City files.

LV 54-C advised on 11/29/63, Las Vegas telephone number 735-4303 called by RUBY is unpublished number of LEWIS McWILLIE, associate of RUBY, previously interviewed.

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LV 54-C, on November 29, 1963, advised SA ROBERT D. LEE, that Las Vegas telephone number 735-4303 is a non published number listed to LEWIS MC WILLIE, 3627 Eastern Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

MC WILLIE was interviewed in this matter on November 25, 1963. Information and FD-302, reflecting results, have been furnished to Bureau and Dallas.

PCI PAUL F. COE, Assistant Manager, Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas, on November 29, 1963, advised SA WAYNE H. DRAKE that no records on incoming calls to the Thunderbird Hotel are maintained. The Thunderbird Hotel telephone is 735-4111.

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AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

On 12-4-63, SL 1130-C advised SAA HOWARD C. KENNEDY that on the night of 12-3-63, he was talking to JACK BUHLINGLER, address unknown, who is employed as a cab driver by St. Louis County Cab Company. BUHLINGLER remarked to the informant that JACK RUBY, the man who shot LEE OSWALD in Dallas, Texas, was a cab driver employed by the Ace Cab Company at St. Louis "years ago." The informant said that BUHLINGLER indicated to him that BUHLINGLER had been furnished this information by one or more "old-time cab drivers" who used to work for Ace Cab Company, or by veteran cab drivers still at Ace Cab Company.

The informant expressed awareness that several drivers who worked for Ace Cab Company ten to fifteen years are now employed by St. Louis County Cab Company, although he was unable to furnish their names. The informant could furnish no further information concerning this matter and requested that his identity as the recipient of this information from BUHLINGLER be concealed since he did not know whether BUHLINGER had furnished the information to anyone other than the informant.

With regard to the interview with JOSEPH P. MUETH on 12-4-63, as reflected in this report, the following information was received:

SL 1214-C*, on 12-5-63, advised that MUETH told Mrs. JOSEPH (BARBARA) COSTELLO, owner of Checker Cab Company (formerly known as Ace Cab Company) that he had been interviewed by the FBI regarding the investigation being conducted in Dallas, Texas, and that he had been questioned as to whether RUBY had ever been employed as a driver with the company. Mrs. COSTELLO exclaimed, "RUBY!", and asked, "What did you tell them?" MUETH stated he told the FBI that RUBY had never been employed there to his knowledge. Mrs. COSTELLO then indicated to MUETH that what MUETH should have told the FBI was that RUBY was employed there and that he should have told them that "about two days before that happened he must have taken a plane down there."

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ROYAL L. BLASSINGAME at San Juan, Puerto Rica, on November 26, 1963:

SARAH TORRES PERALTA, PCI, an attorney for Local 610, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union, San Juan, advised ANA MARIA DEL VALLE, Secretary-Treasurer, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union, was approached by MIGUEL CRUZ, Organizer for Local 901, Teamsters Union, who made a statement, "Now that we've taken care of President KENNEDY, we'll have no trouble in taking over things".

PERALTA also furnished above information to THOMAS A. KENNELLY, Departmental Attorney, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington.

