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IRVING ALKANA, 26031 18th Street, advised that he was a resident of Dallas, Texas from approximately 1949 to 1955. He stated that he frequented various night clubs in Dallas in 1952. During one of these visits to an unrecalled night club, he was introduced to JACK RUBY. He purchased the Studio Lounge, 3508 Oaklawn Avenue, Dallas, and renamed it the Club Vegas. This purchase was made sometime in the latter part of 1952 or early 1953.

ALKANA stated that he was having difficulty running this club, and he was approximately \$6,000 in debt to the United States Government. He agreed to a lease purchase sale agreement with RUBY whereby RUBY obtained one third interest in the Club Vegas. This sale was made in 1953. The lease purchase option ran until December of 1953. RUBY had complete control over the operations of the Club Vegas and he operated the club together with a close friend of his JOE BONDS. In September of 1953, RUBY advised ALKANA that he, RUBY, could not obtain funds needed for purchase of the Club Vegas prior to December of 1953, and he, therefore, offered to cancel his option for a one third interest in the Club. ALKANA stated that he agreed to this arrangement and he then took over the management of the Club. ALKANA stated that between September, 1953 and June 19, 1954, he had numerous disagreements with RUBY regarding the operation of the Club Vegas.

ALKANA stated that on one occasion in April or May, 1953, he had a fist fight with RUBY at the Club Vegas. RUBY was arrested and booked at the Dallas City Jail. ALKANA stated that he does not know the exact charge but believes that it was for carrying a concealed weapon since at the time of the fight, RUBY had a .38 caliber snub-nose revolver in his possession. ALKANA states that RUBY always carried a revolver with him, claiming that he did this since he carried large sums of money.

ALKANA states that after he sold his two third interest in the Club Vegas to RUBY on June 19, 1954, he saw RUBY on several occasions before leaving the Dallas, Texas area in 1955. ALKANA states that he has only seen RUBY once since 1955 that being on a visit he made to Dallas in 1960.

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ALKANA states that RUBY is a very emotional and unstable individual. He seemed to know every policeman in Dallas and every important official and newspaper man. ALKANA states he does not know the names of any particular police officers, officials or newspaper men with whom RUBY is acquainted, but stated that RUBY seemed to know everyone who was anybody in the City of Dallas.

ALKANA stated that on one occasion, RUBY mentioned that he had a sister and a brother, but he does not know that RUBY ever mentioned their names. He stated that he cannot recall ever meeting any member of the RUBY family. He stated that RUBY had a girl friend named ALICE (last name unknown) during the period of time that he knew RUBY in Dallas from 1953 to 1955. He stated, however, that he cannot furnish any additional information concerning ALICE (last name unknown).

ALKANA states that he never met or saw LEE HARVEY OSWALD and does not know any connection that RUBY might have had with OSWALD. ALKANA stated that RUBY never appeared to have any particular interest in politics. He did not know of any political activity on his part. ALKANA stated that he knows of no information concerning the Fair Play for Cuba Committee or any other political organization in Dallas in which RUBY was associated.

ALKANA stated that RUBY intimated that he had contacts with various underworld figures but that the only specific individual ever mentioned by RUBY was MICKEY COHEN. He stated that on one occasion during the period 1952 - 1954, RUBY mentioned that he had known MICKEY COHEN in the past. He further advised that RUBY never made any direct statements concerning important individuals whom he might have known but often gave the insinuation that he knew everybody that was worth knowing. ALKANA stated that he never believed RUBY had any associations with important people but he liked to give that impression. He stated that the only individual he knew with whom RUBY was associated who might be able to furnish additional information concerning RUBY would be JOE BONDS. He stated that to his knowledge, JOE BONDS is still located in Dallas, Texas and should be well known to Dallas City Police files since he believes that BONDS was arrested on several occasions by the Dallas City Police Department.

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ALKANA stated that RUBY had a violent temper and that he witnessed several fist fights between RUBY and customers at the Silver Slipper which was owned by RUBY and on one occasion a fist fight between RUBY and a customer at the Club Vegas. ALKANA stated that on all of these occasions, the customers were intoxicated and were attempting to disrupt entertainment activities at the clubs. He stated that on these occasions, RUBY would remove the customer by hitting him with anything at his disposal and immediately remove him from the premises. He stated he cannot recall ever seeing RUBY pull his revolver on anyone and has never heard that RUBY had, in fact, ever threatened anyone with a gun.

ALKANA stated that his only fist fight with RUBY occurred in April or May of 1954 and that the reason for this fight was that RUBY thought that he was making money with the Club Vegas and was not giving RUBY his share. He stated that RUBY telephonically contacted him at his residence in Dallas and told him that "if you're man enough, I'll meet you down at the Club Vegas and we'll settle this matter with our fists." ALKANA stated that he then called the Dallas Police Department, advised them of the statement made by RUBY and the fact that he was going to go to the Club Vegas and meet RUBY and that he expected trouble. He stated when he arrived at the Club, RUBY immediately began throwing punches and that after several minutes, he succeeded in securing a head lock on RUBY and held him until police arrived. He stated that during this altercation, RUBY at no time threatened him with the revolver which the police discovered on RUBY's person.

ALKANA stated that he considered RUBY to be an individual who always wanted to be the biggest man in Dallas and who is always looking for a "big score." He stated that by the words "big score" he means RUBY would always be looking for some way to own the biggest and best night club in the Dallas area. He stated that he knew of no criminal activities on the part of RUBY other than the various difficulties that RUBY had with city officials over violations of city ordinances concerning serving drinks at his club after curfew hours. He stated he did not believe that RUBY ever knowingly violated these regulations but that customers of his were responsible for the

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violations and since RUBY was the owner of the night club, he was held responsible by city officials. ALKANA stated he cannot furnish any specific information concerning these violations.

ALKANA stated that RUBY always appeared to him to be a person who sought the spot light in any matter in which he could possibly become involved. He stated that RUBY often frequented the Dallas Police Department and wanted to be in on every important matter concerning the City of Dallas.

ALKANA stated that his best description of RUBY would be that he is completely unpredictable in his actions.

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