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1. Identifying Information:

   Name Emmett "Charles" Burke
   Address 34724 Well Dr
   City/State Chaffey, CA
   Date of Birth 10-3-35
   Social Security JFK Act 6 (3)
   Date 2-14-78
   Place Residence
   Telephone 504/244-8415
   M or S M
   Spouse
   Children 2

2. Physical Description:

   Height 6'-1"
   Weight 225
   Ethnic Group
   Color Eyes Grey Hair Bald
   Special Characteristics

3. Personal History:

   a. Present Employment: Amateur Corp
      Address N. Peters St, Bakersfield
      Telephone 504/241-3331
   b. Criminal Record
      1. Arrests
      2. Convictions

4. Additional Personal Information:

   a. Relative(s): Name
      Address

   b. Area frequented:
   c. Remarks:

   Investigator William A. Crusoe
   Date 2/28/78

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

NAME Emmett "Charles" Barbee Date 2/14/78 Time 6:45 p.m.
Address 3417 Lyndel Drive Place Residence
Charmant, La.

Interview:

Emmett C. Barbee was LHO's immediate supervisor
while LHO was employed at the Reily Coffee Company in New
Orleans, La.

On February 14, 1978 at about 6:45 p.m. at his
residence, 3417 Lyndel Drive, Charmant, La., (504) 279-3715,
Mr. Emmett Barbee was interviewed and states that he was
employed as a mechanic by the Reily Coffee Company in
March, 1959, promoted in 1962 to Maintenance Supervisor and
that LHO was hired by Al Claude, Plant Manager while he
(Barbee) was on leave; that LHO was surly, immature, spoke
little and was a poor worker, that when Al Claude left the
Reily Company and John Clark became V.P. in charge of produc-
tion, he (Barbee) was criticized because the machines were
not properly maintained, that he constantly urged LHO to
properly service the machines. After repeated urging,
he fired LHO, which was not unusual in that the job helper
was a low skill job and as a result of same, they (Reily
Company) had a large turnover of employees.

Interviewer
(Signature)
William Brown
(Typed)

Date Transcribed 3/2/78
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Mr. Barbee further states that he did not end his employment at the Reily Company until 1966, that he never left to go to the NASA Base as most of the younger men did because he was of the opinion that the job would only last about five years, and he wanted something that he knew to be steady.

"Upon being fired, LHO had a day or two's pay going and gave him (Barbee) an address to mail the check to which was the same Post Office Box that was used to order the rifle alleged to be the weapon used in the assassination."

FOOTNOTE -- "Barbee" further offered that one "William Monahan" V.P. of Finance - Reilly Coffee Company, ex-FBI agent, notified the FBI that LHO was employed at the Reily Coffee Company prior to the assassination.