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SUBJECT: Jack RUBY

1. A reliable source has furnished this office with a copy of a communication dated December 16, 1963, received from Ben-Zion ELAN reading as follows: *NO LOC (S)*

"After hearing from you of rumors which intimated that Jack Ruby was a member of the Histadrut Delegation, and after learning that this was pinpointed to a Delegation of 1955 in which E. H. Williams participated - I culled the material in the Histadrut office in New York and I would like to present the facts to you: *(S)(U)*

"(L) In the summer of 1955 a delegation consisting of active trade union people left the United States for a short visit to Israel and the Histadrut. *(S)(U)*

"(2) The delegation consisted of the following people: *(S)(U)*

- George Cavender
- Harold Gibbons
- Jacob Clayman
- E. H. Williams
- Frank Winn
- Joseph Applebaum
- Anthony Ballerini
- Roy Brown

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"(3) Confusion resulting in present rumors may have been caused by the fact that on the same El-Al flight there likewise travelled, completely on his own initiative and at his own expense, a man named Nate Stein, head of a public relations firm from Los Angeles. This

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\* Representative of the Histadrut in New York, DEC 30 1963

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JACK L. RUBY, AKA.  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA.  
(DECEASED) - VICTIM  
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Set forth for your information below a copy of communication dated 12/16/63 which was furnished by Bureau Confidential Informant [100.] (S)

"After hearing from you of rumors which intimated that Jack Ruby was a member of the Histadrut Delegation, and after learning that this was pinpointed to a Delegation of 1955 in which E. H. Williams participated - I called the material in the Histadrut office in New York and I would like to present the facts to you: (S)(u)

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- George Cavender
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- Anthony Ballerini
- Ray Brown

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"(3) Confusion resulting in present rumors may have been caused by the fact that on the same El-Al flight there likewise travelled, completely on his own initiative and at his own expense, a man named Kate Stapp, who has public relations firm from Los Angeles. This man attached himself to Harold Gibbons during their tour around Israel and, I was told, impressed himself strongly on the minds of the group because of his boorish behaviour. (S)(u)

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- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
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- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
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- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
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- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

1 - Mr. S. J. Papich (Room 845 RB)

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Letter to SAC, Dallas  
Re: JACK L. RUBY, AKA.

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"(4) Greg Bardacke who was on that tour remembers Nate Stein very distinctly. He states categorically that Nate Stein was not Jack Ruby whose picture is publicized on both TV and radio. (S)(u)

Hugo Moratt has informed me that Jacob Clayman, on looking over again the pictures of the trip, likewise states that Nate Stein was not Jack Ruby. (S)(u)

The Regional Director of the Histadrut Campaign in Los Angeles, Bernard Jacobson, has confirmed that Nate Stein is listed in this year's telephone directory in Los Angeles under the same address as in 1955 (Nate Stein, Public and Labor Relations Counsel, 426 So. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif. Telephone CR 1-9930) (S)(u)

"(5) May I repeat again that Nate Stein, whoever he is and whatever he does, was not invited to Israel by the Histadrut. (S)(u)

"It is simpler to start a rumor than to quash one. I do hope, however, that the above mentioned facts will help clear the air." (S)(u)

NOTE: ~~X~~ The above letter <sup>from</sup> which was received ~~from~~ Bureau informant 100, [Ben-Zion ILAN] was furnished by [S] informant to SA S. J. Papich, Liaison Section. ~~X~~ Any future correspondence concerning this matter should be coordinated through SA Papich. [Information from a source in Israel originally alleged that Jack Ruby had visited Israel and the Histadrut, the national Israeli labor organization, with a group of trade union people from the U. S. in 1955. The above is a follow-up of that allegation which indicates it has no merit. Our investigation does not support the allegation and Ruby denies having made such a trip.] (S)(u)

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