

Date December 4, 1963

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Detective H. BARON REYNOLDS, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, who resides at 1607 Pat Drive, Dallas, was contacted concerning the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD on the morning of November 24, 1963, at the Dallas City Hall. REYNOLDS was advised he did not have to make a statement; that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he could consult an attorney at any time he desired. REYNOLDS voluntarily advised as follows:

On the morning of November 24, 1963, he was assigned by Lieutenant (FNU) SWAIN, Burglary and Theft Division, Dallas Police Department, to security duty in the lobby of the basement at City Hall, which area is adjacent to the basement ramp where OSWALD was shot and killed. REYNOLDS said he did not arrive at his duty station until approximately 11 a.m. He said to the best of his knowledge all exits to the basement were secure, but added he had no occasion to personally observe the basement ramp or the two exits to the ramp leading to Commerce and Main Streets. He stated that everyone in the lobby where he was assigned was required to properly identify himself and there was no unauthorized person in the lobby, to his knowledge.

He said at approximately 11:20 a.m. that morning he saw OSWALD leave the basement elevator, accompanied by two plain clothesmen. He and others in the lobby were able to see OSWALD as he left the elevator, through windows on one side of the lobby, but no one in the lobby could see OSWALD as he was led on to the basement ramp since the view was blocked shortly after OSWALD left the elevator. He said moments later he heard what sounded like a revolver being fired. He then heard someone yell that OSWALD had been shot, and he immediately proceeded to the Commerce Street side of the basement and instructed a uniformed officer, name unknown, on duty there to block the exit.

REYNOLDS said at the very moment he heard the shot he also heard Dallas Police Detective J. R. LEAVELLE, who was one of the two plain clothesmen escorting OSWALD on to the ramp, yell "You S.O.B." REYNOLDS later heard from unrecalled sources that Dallas Police Officer (FNU) VAUGHN of the Radio Patrol Division was on duty at the time of the shooting at the Main Street entrance to the basement ramp.

He also heard later from unrecalled sources there was a rumor to the effect that shortly before the shooting of OSWALD, JACK RUBY was seen getting out of an unattended Dallas police squad car parked in the basement parking area. He knew nothing further concerning this matter.

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by Special Agent JAMES E. GARRIS and JACK B. PEDEN/bms Date dictated 12/4/63

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Other Individuals and Organizations
Involved or Interviewed
Date Dec. 11, 1963

Patrolman GERALD K. SPRINGER, 12211 Sunland, Dallas Police Department, was interviewed and was immediately advised of the official identity of Special Agent LEO L. ROBERTSON. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law and that he had the right to consult an attorney prior to making any statement. He then furnished the following information:

He advised that on November 24, 1963, he was in a patrol car in the downtown area. He stated a call came on the radio for any cars who were unassigned to check in the radio. He stated his call number was 111, and when he checked in, he was instructed to come to Central Headquarters and report to the Chief's office for assignment.

He stated that he drove into the Main Street ramp, that Patrolman VAUGHN was on duty along with a couple of reserve policemen, whose names he did not know. He stated he observed 10 or 15 people standing back a few feet from either side of the ramp but they were not trying to go down into the basement. He did not pay much attention to the crowd and did not recognize anyone standing there on the sidewalk. He stated he parked his car near the First Aid Station, which is located on the northeast corner of the basement garage and proceeded to the 3rd floor of the building to the Chief's office. He stated this was at approximately 10:30 a.m. as nearly as he can recall and that when he arrived on the 3rd floor, Patrolman ART HAMMETT advised him to pick up some telegrams and other mail and deliver it to Mrs. TIPPIT, the wife of the slain policeman.

When he left the 3rd floor and started back to his car, he noticed several newsmen, cameras, photographers and other persons there, but he did not pay too much attention to them and did not recognize any of them. He stated there could have been 8 or 10 or possibly more, but he was not thinking about how many were there could not give a more accurate estimate.

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