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POLICE CHIEF JESSE CURRY TALKING TO REPORTERS
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Q. Any late developments?

CURRY. Sir?

Q. Any late developments other than the ones previously announced?

CURRY. No, sir.

Q. Do you know if he will be transferred today to the county -- ?

CURRY. I don't believe he will. I was talking to Frits and Frits said he didn't believe he would be through with him today. He needs to talk to him and we can't just talk to him constantly; we have to let him rest, you know. We can't just continuously talk to him. He's had a chance to call for his attorneys and he's visited with his mother and his sister [sic] and his brother and they told his brother to go up and visit him if he wanted to.

Q. Has he named any attorneys?

CURRY. He--I understand now that he is trying to contact Attorney Abt, I believe, A-B-T, I believe, out of New York, I think.

Q. New York? What is this attorney's affiliation at present? Do you know that, sir?

CURRY. What is that attorney -- ?

Q. What his affiliation is. Does he have anything to do with the Civil Liberties Union, or anything of that nature?

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CURRY. I don't know. I think so, but I wouldn't want to say because I just don't know positively. I understand that he has-- it's my understanding that this attorney, Abt, has been involved in some of the defense of some communists.

Q. Sir, naturally you will probably in the investigation be attempting to let the public know as much as you can and still not attempt to prejudice any future jury that's going to be trying this case.

CURRY. That's true.

Q. What are some of the problems that you have had to run into in doing this? Were there many?

CURRY. You just can't tell everything you know, that's all.

Q. Right.

Q. Chief, is he becoming more cooperative? He was a little arrogant, I understand, during the earlier questioning.

CURRY. I think he was a little more--I say a little friendlier with Frits during the interrogation this morning, I believe. He told Frits he'd had a good night's sleep and was well rested.

Q. Is he eating well? Is his appetite good?

CURRY. I don't know. I didn't hear him say. He said he had a good night's sleep.

Q. One last question. Would you care to make any comment on just how far the interrogation has progressed? How much good it has done, in your opinion?

CURRY. We are sure of our case; I can tell you that.

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Q. He has yet admitted nothing?

CURRY. No, he has not, but we are sure of our case.

COMMENTATOR. Thank you, Chief, very much.

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PRESS INTERVIEW OF CAPT. J. WILL FRITZ
IN DALLAS POLICE AND COURTS BUILDING

This is Captain Fritz, head of the Homicide squad who has been conducting the investigation and interrogation. Captain, can you give us a resume of what you now know concerning the assassination of the President and Mr. Oswald's role in it?

FRITZ. There is only one thing that I can tell you without going into the evidence before first talking to the District Attorney. I can tell you that this case is cinched-- that this man killed the President. There's no question in my mind about it.

Q. Well, what is the basis for that statement?

FRITZ. No, sir. I don't want to go into the basis. In fact, I don't want to get into the evidence. I just want to tell you that we are convinced beyond any doubt that he did the killing.

Q. Was it spur-of-the-moment or a well-planned long-thought-out plot?

FRITZ. That, I'd rather not discuss that, if you don't mind, please, thank you.

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