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ALBERT G. BOGARD, salesman, Downtown Lincoln-Mercury, 118 East Commerce, telephone RI 8-0611, residence 304 Brighton, telephone WH 6-1629, advised as follows:

At about 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 9, 1963, a young man came to the automobile showroom walking and alone, stating he was interested in a car. BOGARD said he introduced himself and asked the prospective customer his name about twice before the individual gave his name as LEE OSWALD. BOGARD said he seemed to recall OSWALD said he had previously looked at Rambler and Plymouth automobiles, although he could not be certain.

He said he showed OSWALD "every car in the showroom and on the Lot," following which he took OSWALD back inside in an effort to "close" with him. At this time OSWALD said he had no money but that he would have money in a couple or three weeks. BOGARD said he suggested a down payment and tried to find out where OSWALD intended his money would come from. OSWALD replied, "I've got it coming." He was particularly interested in a two door Mercury hardtop which sells for about \$3,000.00. OSWALD asked for a demonstration ride.

BOGARD said he and OSWALD got in a demonstration car, with OSWALD driving, that OSWALD drove to Industrial Boulevard, south on Industrial about two or three blocks, and made a U-turn, proceeding north on Industrial and thence to Stemmons Freeway. He drove out Stemmons at a rapid rate of speed, 75-85 miles per hour, to the Inwood Road exit to the right, back to the left under the Freeway, and again to the left and onto the Freeway, where he proceeded in a southeasterly direction. OSWALD continued on Stemmons Freeway to R. L. Thornton Freeway, turned to the right at the Colorado Avenue exit, made a left back under the Freeway, and thence back up on the Freeway, and proceeded in a northwesterly direction. At a point where OSWALD had a choice of continuing on the Freeway which would mean bearing to the left, he started to go straight northward on Cadiz Street. BOGARD called his attention

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to the fact the car had little gasoline in it, whereupon OSWALD turned back onto Industrial and thence to the automobile concern.

BOGARD said he again approached OSWALD on the proposition of a down payment, stating he could proceed with a credit check. OSWALD declined, stating he would pay cash. He would not give his address but said he lived in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas. He said as he recalled, OSWALD wore no coat or tie and was believed dressed in a "sweat shirt," was bareheaded, and did not look like a \$3,000.00 car man. BOGARD said he wrote OSWALD's name "LEE OSWALD" on the reverse side of one of his, BOGARD's, business cards.

He related that on November 22, 1963, he heard the name of OSWALD on a radio newscast and recognized the name as that of his prospective customer. He said he remarked on this to others and pulled a number of cards out of his pocket selected the card with OSWALD's name on it, and threw it in the waste paper basket. He said he saw OSWALD's picture on television, and confirmed that this was the same individual who had come to his place of business on November 9, 1963, but who had never returned to his knowledge.

He stated OSWALD did not enter into any conversation except as to the car, and he observed no unusual actions. BOGARD remarked that he has been in Dallas for a short time only and that OSWALD appeared much more familiar with the streets than is he, BOGARD. Agents requested BOGARD to travel the same route that OSWALD had driven. Agents observed this route carried BOGARD and OSWALD on Stemmons Expressway on a portion of the route traveled by President KENNEDY's motorcade on November 22, 1963, and that the site of the proposed luncheon for Mr. KENNEDY was on this route. A total distance of some 13 miles was traveled. It was observed that the Texas Schoolbook Depository Building is within sight of Downtown Lincoln-Mercury showroom, perhaps three-fourths mile distant. Upon return to the motor company, agents asked BOGARD to attempt to locate his business card on which he said he had written the name of OSWALD. He stated trash had been picked up by the janitor and placed in a large receptacle to the rear of the building, somewhat inaccessible for a thorough search. He did not locate the card.

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