November 26, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry Chief of Police

Subject: Assignment Of Sergeant
Patrick T. Dean On
Sunday, November 24, 1963

Sir:

On Sunday, November 24, 1963 at approximately 9:00 A.M., I was advised by Lieutenant R. S. Pierce to take a group of men and thoroughly search the garage portion of the basement. This assignment was in preparation and security purposes in the transfer of Harvey Lee Oswald, W/M/24, to the County Jail from the City Jail.

I then obtained thirteen (13) Reserve Officers from the Detail Room and with the aid of Sergeant J. A. Putnam, Officers L. E. Jez, and A. R. Brock we conducted a systematic search of the basement. The men were advised to check very carefully the cars, trucks, and the overhanging pipes, and air conditioning ducts. Before the search was started at the northern side of the basement, the following men were assigned at these locations:

B. G. Patterson
R. E. Vaughn
A. R. Brook
R. C. Nelson
Reserve Officer

Top of ramp on Commerce
Top of ramp on Main
Basement Elevators
Basement Entrance From City Hall
South Portion Of Basement At The
Engine Room Entrance

These men were advised to permit no one in the basement other than properly identified pressmen or law enforcement officers, and not to leave these assignments for any reason until relieved, by either myself or Sergeant Putnam.

The above assignments were later supplemented by the officers as follows:

L. E. Jez L. C. Taylor

Top Commerce Street Ramp Top Commerce Street Ramp

In addition numerous reserve officers (names of which I did not retain) were assigned to these locations.

At approximately 11:00 A.M. an armored car was backed into the Commerce Street Exit to the basement.