

Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

Caller

Conversation

108 (Patrolman R. J. ROSS)

Any further assignment for me?
I'm still in the basement.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

10-4. (11:54).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

108 (ROSS) are you needed in the
basement?

108 (ROSS)

I don't believe so. They have
about cleared out.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

Return to service.

108 (Patrolman R. J. ROSS)

10-4. (11:55 a.m.)

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN).

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

On a mark out report to Main and
Harwood, transfer all reserve
officers to Parkland Hospital,
11:59.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

10-4.

701 (Mr. C. D. WEST, Civil
Defense Coordinator)

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Defense Coordinator)

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

701 (Mr. C. D. WEST)

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701 (Mr. C. D. WEST)

If you need a command post
inside Parkland or another
building, I have that A. C.
Equipment transmitting and
receiving on Channel 1 only.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

10-4, 701 (Mr. C. D. WEST).
We will notify you. (12:01)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN) en route to
Parkland from the basement.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

Received 101 (DORAN), 12:05 p.m.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

101 (DORAN).

101 (DORAN)

Any code on this transfer?

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

Code 2 (Urgent - red lights and
siren as needed), 101 (DORAN).

101 (DORAN)

10-4.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

Use caution, 101 (DORAN); there
is other emergency equipment
running in that area.

(End of Belt Three)

101 (DORAN)

10-4. (12:15 p.m.)

101 (DORAN)

101 (DORAN).

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101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

Leaving Parkland now, en route
to basement now to get another
load. Would you call down
there and have one of the re-
serve supervisors round up
about six; have them ready in
the basement?

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

12:16 p.m.

99 (Patrolman S. E. NORMAN)

99 (NORMAN), Code 5 (en route)
to Parkland.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

10-4, 99 (NORMAN), 12:17.

29 (Patrolman J. M. WILLIAMS)

29 (WILLIAMS).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

29 (WILLIAMS).

29 (Patrolman J. M. WILLIAMS)

Code 5 (en route), PMH (Parkland
Memorial Hospital).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

10-4. 12:17.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN)

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Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

Report to Conference Room,
Room 324, to pick up the
police reserves.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

Report where?

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

The Conference Room - Room 324.

101 (DORAN)

10-4. (12:18 p.m.)

262 (Patrolman T. W. YETTS)

262 (YETTS).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

262 (YETTS).

262 (Patrolman T. W. YETTS)

Myself and five other three
wheelers en route to Parkland.

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

12:18.

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

120 (RICHCREEK).

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

120 (RICHCREEK).

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

I'll be en route to rear of
Parkland Hospital. Did you
contact 29 (Patrolman J. M.
WILLIAMS) and 99 (Patrolman
S. E. NORMAN)?

Dispatcher (FARR and
HUFFSTUTLER)

They are en route at this time.

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120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

10-4. I don't know what the crowd situation is out there but the Fire Department left the rope at the Trade Mart at Stemmons and Industrial. Have a squad go by there and pick up all that rope and report to Parkland with it.

Dispatcher (FARR and HUFFSTUTLER)

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN).

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

Stemmons and Industrial. Any code?

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

What is the crowd situation at Parkland?

Dispatcher (FARR and HUFFSTUTLER)

Channel 2, 120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK). Code 1 (Routine), 113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN).

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

10-4.

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

120 (RICHCREEK).

Dispatcher (FARR and HUFFSTUTLER)

120 (RICHCREEK).

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

I'm going to switch to Channel 2 just a moment. (12:25 p.m.)

29 (Patrolman J. M. WILLIAMS)

Code 6. (Out at destination).

Dispatcher (FARR and HUFFSTUTLER)

10-4, 29 (Patrolman J. M. WILLIAMS, 12:26 p.m. 103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE), code 4 (disregard).

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Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

61 (Patrolman G. W. TEMPLE),
your location?

61 (Patrolman G. W. TEMPLE)

Fair Park.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Code 3 (Emergency - red lights
and sirens), report to Wadley
Blood Bank, transfer blood to
Parkland.

61 (Patrolman G. W. TEMPLE)

10-4.

99 (Patrolman S. E. NORMAN)

Code 6 (out at destination)
Parkland.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4, 99 (Patrolman S. E.
NORMAN), 12:33 p.m.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

Clear.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

101 (DORAN) clear, 12:34 p.m.

48 (Patrolman T. R. BURTON and
D. K. ERWIN)

48 (BURTON and ERWIN)

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

48 (BURTON and ERWIN)

48 (BURTON and ERWIN)

We are clear at Parkland
assignment, en route to radio
station; mike trouble.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4, 12:37 p.m.

43 (Patrolman W. E. HIBBS)

43 (HIBBS).

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

43 (HIBBS).

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43 (Patrolman W. E. HIBBS)

Clear at Parkland en route to
our...back to our district.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Clear, 12:37 p.m.

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

120 (RICHCREEK)

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

120 (RICHCREEK)

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

What have you heard from 113
(Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN) on
the rope?

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

113 (ORSBURN) or 103 (Patrolman
J. M. VALENTINE).

103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)

I'm not out there yet. I'm at
Industrial and Oak Lawn at
this time.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Let us know something as soon
as you get there.

103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)

All right.

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

I'm going to switch to Channel 2
just a minute.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4.

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

113 (ORSBURN).

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

113 (ORSBURN).

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

I've got the rope en route to
Parkland.

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Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4. 120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK).

120 (Sergeant G. B. RICHCREEK)

10-4. Tell him to report to the rear of Parkland with it, no code.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Code 1 (routine) to the rear, 113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN).

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

10-4. (12:39 p.m.)

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Any unit at Parkland...any unit at Parkland?

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

40 (Patrolman D. F. FLUSCHE), you at Parkland?

40 (Patrolman D. F. FLUSCHE)

Yes, I am at the front entrance.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Disregard. We have unit on Channel 2 now.

40 (Patrolman D. F. FLUSCHE)

10-4.

61 (Patrolman G. W. TEMPLE)

61 (TEMPLE) en route to Parkland.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4, 61 (TEMPLE), 12:47.

113 (Patrolman C. R. ORSBURN)

Clear at Parkland.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

113 (ORSBURN) clear, 12:48 p.m.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN)

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Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)
101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)	Elm Street is impassable from St. Paul on down.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	10-4, 12:57 p.m.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	Attention any unit on emergency call, do not use Elm Street. Any unit on emergency call, do not use Elm Street.
118 (Patrolman V. O'DELL)	118 (O'DELL).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	118 (O'DELL).
118 (O'DELL)	I'm clear at Parkland.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	Clear, 12:58.
61 (Patrolman G. W. TEMPLE)	Clear at Parkland.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	61 (TEMPLE) clear, 12:59 p.m.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN), your location?
101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)	Young and Field.
(End of Belt Four)	
103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)	103 (VALENTINE)
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	103 (VALENTINE)

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103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)

103 (VALENTINE) En route to
Parkland.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN),
your location?

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

Harwood and Ross.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

Code 3 (Emergency - red lights
and sirens) Wadley Blood Bank;
transfer blood to Parkland.

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

10-4.

103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)

103 (VALENTINE).

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

103 (VALENTINE).

103 (Patrolman J. M. VALENTINE)

I'm going out there anyway if
you want me to go by there.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4, you might as well. 101
(Patrolman N. P. DORAN), Code
4 (disregard), 103 (Patrolman
J. M. VALENTINE) will get it.

97 (Patrolman L. L. FOX)

Clear Parkland Hospital.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

10-4, 1:12 p.m.

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN).

101 (Patrolman N. P. DORAN)

101 (DORAN).

Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)

101 (DORAN), report to basement.
Transfer reserve to Elm and
Houston, 1:25 p.m.

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101 (Patrolman H. P. DORAN)	10-4.
Unknown	Can we get into basement yet?
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	As far as we know, it's all clear, 1:32 p.m.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	430 (Captain F. M. MARTIN).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	430 (Captain F. M. MARTIN).
430 (Captain F. M. MARTIN)	430 (Captain F. M. MARTIN).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	430 (MARTIN), disregard you present assignment. Call 3 (Deputy Chief M. W. STEVENSON) on 622 (telephone extension at Police Department) as soon as possible, 1:34 p.m.
430 (Captain F. M. MARTIN)	10-4.
232 (Patrolman J. W. LOVING)	232 (LOVING).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	232 (LOVING).
232 (Patrolman J. W. LOVING)	Can you get into City Hall now?
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	Unknown, 232 (LOVING).
232 (Patrolman J. W. LOVING)	I got a DWI (driving while intoxicated). I was wondering if was still crowded and if you could get in or not.
Unknown	Yeah, you can get in down there.

(End of Belt Five)

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Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	105 (Patrolman R. E. VAUGHN)
105 (Patrolman R. E. VAUGHN)	105 (VAUGHN).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	105 (VAUGHN)
105 (Patrolman R. E. VAUGHN)	105 (VAUGHN), you call?
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	Stand by 105 (VAUGHN).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	105 (VAUGHN), call 15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT) on 401 (telephone extension at Parkland) at Parkland, 1:49.
105 (Patrolman R. E. VAUGHN)	All right.
63 (Patrolman C. F. BENTLEY)	63 (BENTLEY).
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	63 (BENTLEY).
63 (Patrolman C. F. BENTLEY)	I'm going to be clear at Parkland, en route to garage, get another battery on this car.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	10-4.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	Any homicide unit have Judge MC BRIDE in their unit with them?
136 (Patrolman B. W. HARGIS)	136 (HARGIS), I believe Judge MC BRIDE is at Parkland Hospital.
Dispatcher (HULSE and JACKSON)	10-4, 2:18 p.m.

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Channel 2, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, November 22, 1963

Caller

Conversation

Dispatcher
(Sergeant H. D. HENSLEE)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER), would you stay on Channel 2. We have another alert 2 (standby for a potential airplane crash problem at Love Field), did you know it?

39
(Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER
and C. W. COMER)

No.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

What was it?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

An alert 2 (standby for a potential airplane crash problem at Love Field).

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L. LUMPKIN), it has been tapped out - the plane is down.
10:15 a.m. KKB-364

24 (Patrolman D. L. PATE)

Is there an ambulance en route out here, 39? (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER
and C. W. COMER)

Yeah.

24 (Patrolman D. L. PATE)

Well, tell him to come on around here to the Fire Station, that's where he's supposed to be.

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39 (Patrolman J. F. BUTCHER
and C. W. COMER)

All right.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

Go ahead.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Any information as to the estimation
of the crowd out there now?

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

About 500.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10:30 a.m. KKB-364.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

When the planes make their landing
approach, I'm going to use 21
(Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R.
GRAHAM) and 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH
and W. L. HACKNEY), (they're both
2-man) to cut traffic. How about
holding them off anything they might
get tied up on for the next few minutes -
then we'll have them meet us at the old
Love Field Terminal.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

About what time?

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

Well, you'd better have them meet us
no later than 11:00 a.m.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE
E. CURRY)

I want to advise we need someone to
work traffic Mockingbird and Cedar
Springs.

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257 (Patrolman C. E. WHITMAN)

We have four men here.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)

DECKER and I went through Mockingbird and Cedar Springs and didn't see anyone working. Have them form two lanes and help them make left turns that are backing up about two blocks.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10:45 a.m. KKB-364.

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)

I am approaching Mockingbird and Cedar Springs. I'll get the men working.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. I'll advise 4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER) to disregard contact at the Trade Mart.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)

Some of the detectives out here don't have the proper identification. Ask him if he has anymore down there.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), can you notify 3 (Deputy Chief of Police M. W. STEVENSON) that some of his detectives are at Love Field and do not have the proper identification. 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) is standing by for the information.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER), landing will be at Southeast, won't it?

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

Yes, sir.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)

We want to be sure that you get your squads alerted so that they cut the traffic on Northwest Highway just prior to the President's plane coming over Love Field.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER),
we sent 21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER
and C. R. GRAHAM) and 32 (Patrolmen
J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY) to the
old Love Field Terminal to meet 20
(Sergeant S. W. BURKHART).

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

10-4.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS), when you
start receiving information from the
tower on that plane, advise 531 (Radio
Dispatcher's telephone extension).

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

10-4. Will be on Channel 2.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER),
will you advise as to the crowd esti-
mate and weather condition at this
time? 11:00 a.m. KKB-364.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

10-4. It's not raining now and we have
an estimate of a crowd of 1100 people.

2 (Assistant Chief of
Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

What is 1's (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY) location at Love Field? (11:02)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE
E. CURRY)

Right at the Love Field where the planes
will unload.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR), he is at Love Field where
the planes are to unload.

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1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR) advises he is sending the
identification to your location by
motorcycle officer.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

10-4.
(11:15 a.m.)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W.
COMER), do you have any information yet?

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER
and C. W. COMER)

No.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W.
COMER), they changed landing directions,
on us, did you know that?

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER
and C. W. COMER)

Yes, sir.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

10-4. We will have to set up at
Mockingbird there.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR), are we going to have any
more men on Main Street than what we
have now assigned? The crowds are
getting large and we have very few
officers.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police
CHARLES BATCHELOR)

The only ones we have are assigned on
the corners. There should be reserves
assigned along the route.

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9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

The route on Harwood is not so bad. If we had some of those men we could certainly use them.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R. GRAHAM) and 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY), cut traffic.

21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R. GRAHAM) & 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY)

10-4.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), have you received information that his arrival is about 20 minutes late?

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

I have not received the information.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR), Air Force 1 is on final approach now.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

One plane is down, second plane is coming in and Air Force 1 will be right behind it.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 11:34 a.m.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), we have some 15 solo motorcycle officers that are assigned with the convoy. These can probably help in controlling crowd - as to approach, there are five in front of the convoy plus those on the side. I think they will be able to move back the crowd.

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9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

10-4. Message received.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER), is Air Force 1 down?

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

No, he is just coming in.

Unknown

He's down.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R. GRAHAM) & 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY), all clear, 11:35 a.m.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

Air Force 1 is not on the ground yet.

531 (Sergeant G. D. HENSLEE)

21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R. GRAHAM) & 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY), remain on your assignment.

21 (Patrolmen D. P. TUCKER and C. R. GRAHAM) & 32 (Patrolmen J. T. SMITH and W. L. HACKNEY)

10-4.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

He is on the ground. (11:37 a.m.)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS), weather and crowd estimate.

30 (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS)

Weather is good.

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540 (Patrolmen A. B. HAMMETT) Will remain clear the rest of the day. Temperature probably stay about the same.

20 (Sergeant S. W. BURKHART) There is quite a crowd all along Mockingbird Lane and around the Coca-Cola Bottling Plant. There is quite a crowd.

250 (Sergeant W. H. SIMPSON) Ask 125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE) if he wants a man assigned to Herschel and Lemmon and at the signal light.

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE) Yes, have one of the men from Loma Alto and Lemmon go there.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L. LUMPKIN) to 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) out at communications - I'm at the front gate out here.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) Loud and clear.

280 (Sergeant GEORGE W. C. CAMPBELL) 9 (Inspector J. SAWYER), Ervay Street is completely blocked with pedestrians and is completely out of control. I have 2 3-wheels with me and we still can't get the pedestrians off of Ervay so Ervay is completely closed.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER) 10-4. I am on my way there.

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15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

Progress report, please.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

Moving out very slow.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

10-4.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L.
LUMPKIN), that traffic up and around
Mockingbird - try to get them over to
one side. (11:50 a.m.)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to
Motorcycle Escort - send 2 men to
Mockingbird and Cedar Springs to help
clear the traffic.

Unknown

What is the location now?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Just made the turn out of Love Field
onto Cedar Springs now.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), they are
just leaving the field now on Cedar
Springs at 15 mph.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L.
LUMPKIN) to 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY), might need a motorcycle at
Lemmon and Manor Way. Quite a few
people on Lemmon on the median strip
and on the curbs. Location now?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

At Airdrome and Mockingbird Lane.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), Airdrome
and Mockingbird Lane - proceeding ap-
proximately 15 mph.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

12:00 Noon KKB-364.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

At Lemmon, approaching Inwood at ap-
proximately 12 to 15 mph. (12:01 p.m.)

3 (Deputy Chief M. W.
STEVENSON)

The ambulance is standing by?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Standing by at Love Field and when they
complete that assignment, they will
report to your location.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to
motorcycle leading - drop back closer -
hold up about 50 feet ahead of us.

Unknown

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), this
greeting committee has turned South
on Hines from Mockingbird. (12:03 p.m.)

(End of Record #1)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
what is your location now?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE
E. CURRY)

We are approaching underpass - Cotton
Belt - near Loma Alto.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), now on
Lemmon near Loma Alto (12:05 p.m.)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to
Motorcycle Escort - 3 or 4 miles faster.

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1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)
to escort - pull those cars off the
street

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Cut traffic at Oak Lawn.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

We have got a pretty good crowd of
people down here at Turtle Creek.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L.
LUMPKIN), get the traffic off of it.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Are you approaching Oak Lawn?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

About a block away at Knight Street.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), on Lemmon
now.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Crossing Oak Lawn.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

Advise 3 (Deputy Chief M. W. STEVENSON)
that the ambulances have arrived and
are standing by.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

3 (Deputy Chief M. W. STEVENSON), the
ambulances have arrived and are stand-
ing by, 12:11 p.m.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Just turning off Turtle Creek.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	Just turning off onto Turtle Creek off Lemmon.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	12 mph.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	At the MK&T Underpass at Turtle Creek.
Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	10-4, 12:14 p.m.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to Motorcycle Escort - 3 or 4 miles faster, let's try it.
Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	12:15 p.m. KKB - 364 Dallas.
Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), now turning onto Cedar Springs Road off Turtle Creek, Cedar Springs and Fairmount. (12:16 p.m.)
139 (Patrolman L. H. MARSHALL)	For your information, have cars lined up on both shoulders of Lemmon north from (garbled) to Oak Lawn.
5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)	1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY), going to be a pretty good crowd from Reas on, on Harwood Street.
3 (Deputy Chief M. W. STEVENSON)	1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY), everything in good shape at Market Hall - traffic's moving well, not any crowd on side of street - good crowd along the barricades.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
for your information, Stemmons is
pretty well crowded from Continental
on to the Trade Mart.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L.
LUMPKIN), have an officer keep the
crowd over to Harwood and Ross. They
are out of the street here.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

We got them.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY, are
you approaching Ross?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

10-4. Just approaching at this time.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 12:20 p.m.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), are you
reading all right now?

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

10-4.

212 (Patrolman L. W. SPRADLIN)

Telephone crew wants to know what time
the president will be back through here
so they can clear out.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

What location?

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212 (Patrolman L. W. SPRADLIN)

On Mockingbird near Denton.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

It will probably be after 2:30 p.m.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
crowd on Main Street in real good
shape. They have them back off of
the curb.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Good shape, we are just about to cross
Live Oak.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)
1 (Chief of Police)

12:22 p.m.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to
escort - drop back. We will have to
go at a real slow speed here on now.

1 (Chief of Police)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) to
motorcycle - hold up escort. O.K. move
along.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Check and see if we have everything
in sight. Check with the rear car.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY), who
is in the rear car?

158 (Patrolman L. S. DAVENPORT) Everything is O.K.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
158 (Patrolman L. S. DAVENPORT) advise
O.K., 12:26 p.m.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Crossing Lamar Street.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	10-4. Pretty good crowd there, 12:28 p.m.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	Big crowd, yes.
5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)	Notify Captain Souter of the location of the convoy now.
Dispatcher (HENSLEE)	15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), now on Main, probably just past Lamar.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	Just crossing Market Street (12:28 p.m.)
4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)	125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE), what traffic personnel do you have on Mockingbird?
125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)	"On Mockingbird at Cedar Springs," is the question?
4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)	10-4. It's moving out of this lot very slow.
125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)	I am at the Trade Mart now headed out that way.
4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)	That is all right - I'll check it.
1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)	Approaching Triple Underpass.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

12:30 p.m. KKB 364.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Go to the hospital - Parkland
Hospital. Have them stand by.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Get a man on top of that triple
underpass and see what happened up
there.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Have Parkland stand by.

Dallas 1 (Sheriff J. E.
"BILL" DECKER)

I am sure it's going to take some
time to get your man in there. Pull
every one of my men in there.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Dallas 1 (Sheriff J. E. "BILL" DECKER),
repeat, I didn't get all of it. I
didn't quite understand all of it.

Dallas 1 (Sheriff J. E.
"BILL" DECKER)

Have my office move all available men
out of my office into the railroad yard
to try to determine what happened in
there and hold everything secure until
Homicide and other investigators should
get there.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. Dallas 1 (Sheriff J. E. "BILL"
DECKER) - Station 5 (Dallas County
Sheriff Dispatcher) will be notified.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY), any
information whatsoever?

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1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Looks like the President has been hit.
Have Parkland stand by.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. They (Parkland) have been
notified.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

We have those canine units in that
vicinity, don't we?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE
E. CURRY)

Headed to Parkland. Something's
wrong with Channel 1.

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY),
what do you want with these men out
here with me?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Just go on to Parkland Hospital with me.

83 (Patrolman R. L. GROSS)

Dispatcher on Channel 1 seems to have
his mike stuck.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Get these trucks out of the way.
Hold everything. Get out of the way.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Unknown motorcycle - up on Stemmons
with his mike stuck open on Channel 1.
Could you send someone up there to
tell him to shut it off? (12:34 p.m.)

190 (Sergeant S. Q.
BELLAH)

Do you still want me to hold this
traffic on Stemmons until we find out
something?

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1 (Chief of Police JESSE B.
CURRY)

Keep everything out of this emergency
entrance.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Did you get all that information,
136 (Patrolman B. W. HARGIS)

136 (Patrolman B. W. HARGIS) 10-4.

142 (Patrolman C. A. HAYGOOD) I just talked to a guy up here who
was standing close to it and the best
he could tell it came from the Texas
School Book Depository Building here
with that Hertz Renting sign on top.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. Get his name, address, telephone
number there - all the information
that you can from him. 12:35 p.m.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

Captain advises have all emergency
equipment - have 283 (Patrolman C. R.
HAMILTON) cut the traffic at Hines
and Industrial. Have all emergency
units on South Industrial.

531 (Sergeant G. D. HENSLEE)

283 (Patrolman C. R. HAMILTON), cut
traffic Hines and Industrial.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Attention, do not use Industrial Blvd.
12:36 p.m.

260 (Sergeant D. V. HARKNESS)

I have a witness that says that it
came from the 5th floor of the Texas
Book Depository Store.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

220 (Sergeant W. R. RUSSELL), keep all emergency equipment off the entrance to Parkland and all of the emergency equipment there off of Industrial Boulevard.

Unknown

We have the emergency entrance secured.
(12:37 p.m.)

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)

We have the emergency entrance to Parkland secured.

22 (Patrolman L. L. HILL)

Get some men up here to cover this school depository building. It's believed the shot came from, as you see it on Elm Street, looking toward the building, it would be upper right hand corner, second window from the end.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. How many do you have there?

22 (Patrolman L. L. HILL)

I have one guy that was possibly hit by a ricochet from the bullet off the concrete and another one saw the President slump.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4.

137 (Patrolman E. D. BREWER)

We have a man here who says he saw him pull the weapon back through the window from the southeast corner of that depository building.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

All right, do you have the building covered off?

137 (Patrolman E.D. BREWER)

No, about 3/4 of a block away from there.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

All right, pull on down there.

137 (Patrolman E.D. BREWER)

10-4. I'll leave these witnesses here.

257 (Patrolman C.E. WHITMAN)

Do you want us to go back to Mockingbird and Cedar Springs?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4.

290 (Sergeant E.B. HOWARD)

See if you can contact 125 (Captain P.W. LAWRENCE).

125 (Captain P.W. LAWRENCE)

290 (Sergeant E.B. HOWARD), I am at Parkland.

290 (Sergeant E.B. HOWARD)

125 (Captain P.W. LAWRENCE), do you want us to stay on Industrial or where do you want us to go?

125 (Captain P.W. LAWRENCE)

At your location right now.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

Can you give us any information as to what happened for these people out here, evidently they had - seriousness of it - the President involved - 1 (Chief of Police JESSE B. CURRY) is at Parkland, along with Dallas 1 (Sheriff J. E. "BILL" DECKER). We have word it is unknown - Texas Depository Store, corner of Elm and Field - officers are now surrounding and searching the building. (Garbled)

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2 (Assistant Chief of Police
CHARLES BATCHELOR)

Where did this happen - at Field and
Main?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

At Stemmons and the Triple Underpass -
12:40 p.m.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR), there's a possibility that
6 or 7 more people may have been shot.

295 (Patrolman WILLIAM PRICE)

I believe the President's head was
practically blown off.

303 (Detectives R. M. SIMS
& E. L. BOYD)

What hospital did the President go to?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Parkland Hospital.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

303 (Detectives R. M. SIMS & E. L.
BOYD), where are you?

303 (Detectives R. M. SIMS
& E. L. BOYD)

Parkland Hospital.

300 (Captain JOHN WILL FRITZ)

300 (Captain JOHN WILL FRITZ) en route.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

300 (Captain JOHN WILL FRITZ), are
you en route to Elm and Houston to
that store?

300 (Captain JOHN WILL FRITZ) En route to the hospital.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

295 (Patrolman WILLIAM PRICE), do you know the extent of the injury?

295 (Patrolman WILLIAM PRICE) It's not for me to say, I can't say.
(12:41 p.m.)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

Give me a squad to Elm and Houston.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

Did they advise they have the suspect?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

No, they do not have the suspect.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

We need some more men down at the Texas School Book Depository. We should have some on Main if we could get someone to pick up and bring them down here.

250 (Sergeant W. A. SIMPSON)

I will start down Elm Street and pick up as many as I can on the way (12:43 p.m.)

190 (Sergeant S. Q. BELLAH)

We can release this traffic here? We can go down there or stay here and hold it.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Release the traffic and report Code 3 (Emergency-red lights and sirens) to Elm and Houston; 12:43 p.m.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Are you having them contain that block or 2 block area?

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, we are trying to seal off that building until it can be searched.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

More than that building. Extend out from that building so it can be searched

267 (Patrolman J. H. CALDWELL)

Do you want me to head south?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, 12:44 p.m.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

The type of weapon looked like a 30-30 rifle or some type of Winchester.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), it was a rifle?

9 (Inspector J. H. Sawyer)

A rifle, yes

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), any clothing description?

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

About 30, 5'10", 165 pounds

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Attention all squads, the suspect in the shooting at Elm and Houston is supposed to be an unknown white male, approximately 30, 165 pounds, slender build, armed with what is thought to be a 30-30 rifle. - repeat, unknown white male, approximately 30, 165 pounds, slender build. No further description at this time or information, 12:45 p.m.

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15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

531 (Sergeant G. D. HENSLEE)

5 (Deputy Chief of Police
GEORGE L. LUMPKIN)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

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Could 9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER) determine whether man was supposed to have been still in the building or was he supposed to have left?

I didn't know for sure and the witnesses didn't have the description, but we have got that building saturated by now and we should know something before long.

On this building, it's unknown whether he is still in the building or not known if he was there in the first place.

Well, all the information we have received, 9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER), indicates that it did come from about the 5th or 4th floor of that building.

What building?

The Texas School Book and Depository Building, 5 (Deputy Chief of Police GEORGE L. LUMPKIN), at Elm and Houston.

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260 (Sergeant D. V. HARKNESS)

We have an epileptic before this.
The person went to Parkland Hospital.
Send a squad there to get all the in-
formation you can. (12:48 p.m.)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE); do you
have any information that the governor
also was hit?

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)

Not yet, I'll check in just a minute.

157 (Patrolman J. W. WILLIAMS)

Have you notified a DPS (Texas Depart-
ment of Public Safety) on this suspect
yet?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Haven't had time yet but we will.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR), advises to contact 401
(phone extension at Parkland Hospital)
at Parkland and see if I can (garbled)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Stand by.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police
CHARLES BATCHELOR)

Contact the Parkland Hospital and see
whether the President will be able to
appear out here or not. We have all
these people and we want to know what
to announce out here.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, as soon as we can obtain that in-
formation.

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211 (Patrolmen R. HAWKINS
and E. R. BAGGETT)

Numerous people asking us what
happened. Can you give us any
information about it at this time?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Wounded the President or the extent
of it at this time. 12:51 p.m.

211 (Patrolmen R. HAWKINS
and E. R. BAGGETT)

Was he shot or do you know?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

I understand he was involved in it,
yes.

211 (Patrolmen R. HAWKINS
and E. R. BAGGETT)

10-4. Thank you.

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE)

The goveror was also shot.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

125 (Captain P. W. LAWRENCE), can you
obtain from 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY) if the President is going to
appear at the Trade Mart?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE
E. CURRY)

It's very doubtful.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police
CHARLES BATCHELOR)

(garbled) whether or not what his
condition is so we can know what to
tell people (garbled).

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2 (Assistant Chief of Police
CHARLES BATCHELOR)

Are there any definite arrangements
being made as to whether he will or
will not appear?

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E.
CURRY)

Not at this time that I know of. I
don't know but I feel reasonably sure
that he will not.

190 (Sergeant S. Q. BELLAH)

We need some ropes here at Main and
Houston. We are getting a terrific
crowd.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

What else do you need?

190 (Sergeant S. Q. BELLAH)

Just a lot of rope.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

We are going to send a Fire Department
Rescue Unit with a lot of rope to that
location, 12:54 p.m.

31 (Patrolman J. E. CHISM)

Have a squad go to Community Blood
Bank and pick up some blood and bring
to Parkland, Code 3 (Urgent. Red
lights and siren as needed.)

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Have they been notified?

31 (Patrolman J. E. CHISM)

10-4. Parkland has notified them.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES
BATCHELOR) requests information the
condition of the President and also if
the governor was hit.

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Conversation

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Have information that the governor was hit, 1:03 p.m.

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER), there was some statement made concerning the outer perimeter - he stated (This conversation was covered by other squads and unable to read it from the recorder).

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

Clear me on Code 2 (Urgent. Red lights and sirens as needed at intersections) assignment and 30's (Sergeant R. C. CHILDERS) station wagon, the Secret Service agents downtown. (1:09 p.m.)

139 (Patrolman L. H. MARSHALL) Have 39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER) meet me at the entrance to Love Field. I have the 2 Presidential cars en route out there.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

139 (Patrolman L. H. MARSHALL), you will have to take them on yourself because he is coming downtown.

139 (Patrolman L. H. MARSHALL) See if you can find out where they are supposed to go out here.

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

I am in sergeant's car and other half of 39 is still at the field in the Love Field car.

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15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER), do you have 29 (Patrolman J. M. WILLIAMS) and 99 (Patrolman S. E. NORMAN) there?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

That is the 2 dog men that are supposed to be working it without the dogs. We can use them if you can release them.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

Find out any further information at Parkland about the condition of the President, whether he can be there or not. Mr. Crull is standing by here and needs to know immediately if you can find out so we can do something to these people out here.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 1:11 p.m.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

On the 3rd floor of this book company down here, we found empty rifle hulls and it looked like the man had been here for some time. We are checking it out now.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 1:12 p.m.

158 (Patrolman L. S. DEBENPORT) Notify 170 (Sergeant R. SMART) I am

taking prisoner to the downtown jail and that I'll report back to him down to Parkland as soon as I can.

243 (Patrolman B. L. APPLE)

I am down here with this 3-wheeler at the dead end. He has a loud colored jacket on. He is pretty drunk. Do you want me to take him up there or what do you want me to do with him?

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Take him back up there to 505 Main
and contact 9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)
at Elm and Houston.

243 (Patrolman B. L. APPLE)

10-4.

39 (Patrolman L. H. MARSHALL)

I have 2 Presidential vehicles and I
am trying to get across the field.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. If I can contact 39 (Patrolmen
J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER), I'll
try to.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER)
call 504 (Patrolman E. B. TAYLOR) im-
mediately. Do you have 39 (Patrolmen
J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER) there
with you? 139 (Patrolman L. H.
MARSHALL) . . .

needs clearance across the
field with those cars.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER),
do we hold all that is on duty now?

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

10-4. That is right.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

General Broadcast - All squads, we
have a report that an officer has been
involved in a shooting in the 400 E.
10th. 1:18 p.m.

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280 (Sergeant GEORGE W. C. CAMPBELL) Do we have a Command post set up anywhere for extra squads. We need additional men to work traffic around Parkland Hospital.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Well, about everything I have got tied up now is down at Elm and Houston.
1:19 p.m.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Notify 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) that we have an officer involved in a shooting at 10th and Patton. We don't know the extent of it yet.

2 (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR)

We got some officers that we could release. Do you need them anywhere?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, we could use some at Parkland Emergency and the traffic on Hines is terrific.

39 (Patrolmen J. F. BUTCHER and C. W. COMER)

I am at the Sheraton with the Secret Service men. Do you have anyone to carry back?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

No, not right now.

251 (Patrolman J. E. JENNINGS) I was en route back to 2's (Assistant Chief of Police CHARLES BATCHELOR) location but if he doesn't need me there, I am right here at Parkland Hospital.

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10-4. Check out there and help with the traffic.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Go ahead, 19 (Sergeant C. B. OWENS). Are you en route? Yes. It's in the 400 or 500 block of E. 10th, I believe.

19 (Sergeant C. B. OWENS)

10-4. We are almost Code 6 (Out at Destination).

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 1:21 p.m.

170 (Sergeant R. SMART)

Any manpower that you can spare have them to meet 170 (Sergeant R. SMART) or 280 (Sergeant GEORGE W. C. CAMPBELL) at the entrance out here (Parkland Hospital) on Hines.

251 (Patrolman J. B. JENNINGS) I am right here at the entrance now if you want me to check out.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, go ahead.

10 (Inspector H. J. PUTNAM, JR.)

By orders of #1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY), get us 20 more uniformed officers out here to the entrance of Parkland Emergency entrance immediately.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

251 (Patrolman J. B. JENNINGS), are you there at Parkland Emergency entrance?

251 (Patrolman J. B. JENNINGS) Yes.

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10-4.

(Garbled)

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

At this time it was a precautionary move.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Wants 20 men Parkland at this time.
1:25 p.m..

15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER)

I'm en route.

254 (Patrolman J. B. JONES)

Can I help you?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, report to Hines in the 5200 block.

254 (Patrolman J. B. JONES)

What code?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Code 1 (Routine).

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

Bring him around to the emergency entrance.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Do you want him, Code 2? (Urgent. Red lights and sirens as needed at intersections)

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

Yes.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

All squads en route to Parkland Code 2 (Urgent. Red lights and sirens as needed at intersections).

254 (Patrolman J. B. JONES)

I am en route.

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10 (Inspector J. B. JONES), would it be possible to establish a Command Post there with a radio to man a car with a Channel 2 and get somebody to man it?

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

Yes, it will be done immediately.
(1:26 p.m.)

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

Do you have any condition of the officer on 10th?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Stand by. Notify 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) that officer involved in this shooting, Officer J. D. TIPPIT, we believe, was pronounced DOA (Dead On Arrival) at Methodist 1:28 p.m.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

Is there any indication that it has any connection with this other shooting?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Well, the descriptions on the suspect are similar and it is possible.

4 (Deputy Chief of Police
N. T. FISHER)

Thank you.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

10-4. 1:29 p.m.

15 (Captain C. B. TALBERT)

If you get ahold of 15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER) to send some of his people to relieve people at the scene on this book building, we will meet back in service.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT), you received the information on TIPPIT, didn't you?

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

10-4. En route to Oak Cliff now.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT), do you want 4 (Deputy Chief of Police N. T. FISHER) to relieve some of those people on the building?

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

He has some people at Love Field I think I can send down here.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

I think he is going to have to leave them, Captain, because they are going to have to move back out. They are not going to allow anybody on that field.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Check with 15/2 (Captain J. M. SOUTER) and see if he has any he can spare.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Well, I have got 20 from him and I had to send them out to Parkland and block it off.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

We will leave it like it is.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Clear. 1:30 p.m.

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211 (Patrolmen R. HAWKINS
and E. R. BAGGETT)

Can you give Captain WESTBROOK any
information as to where he was shot?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Repeat.

211 (Patrolmen R. HAWKINS
and E. R. BAGGETT)

Can you give Captain WESTBROOK any
information as to where this happened?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

It was in the 400 block of East 10th
near Patton.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Did you say he was DOA (Dead On
Arrival) at Methodist?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Have they released any condition on
the President?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

We understand he is DOA (Dead On
Arrival), too.

Unknown

Was the governor hit?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Unknown.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Was 19 (Sergeant C. B. OWENS) asking
for a squad to cover that area?

531 (Sergeant G. D. HENSLEE)

Yes, we have 10 squads over there
now.

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

Do you think you have a suspect?

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800 E. Jefferson, 15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT).

15 (Captain C. E. TALBERT)

10-4. Have you run a make on that license number yet?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Yes, we are running a (garbled) on it now.

254 (Patrolman J. B. JONES)

Do you want us at the emergency entrance or at the front?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

They are going to set up a Command Post at the entrance at Hines on Lofland Drive and don't let any traffic in there whatsoever unless its an emergency.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

Have the escorts cut their sirens.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Cut the sirens, escorts. Cut the sirens.

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

Notify the escorts on North Hines to cut their sirens.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Attention escorts going north on Hines - cut your sirens.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Notify 9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER) that we have information that the ladder that runs up to the roof on this building there is concealed space under a sheet metal plate, sheet metal has to be raised and there is some concealed space under that sheet metal. 1:33 p.m.

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Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Lead escort motorcycles (escort - cut your sirens. 1:33 p.m. Continue broadcasting for the escorts to cut their sirens. Attention escort, 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) now going north on Hines cut your siren. 1:34 p.m.

1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY)

With as little attention as possible, get up and break traffic ahead of the cars.

10 (Inspector J. B. JONES)

He said notify those jockeys to attract as little attention as possible, barely crack the intersection, get up and break traffic ahead of the cars.

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Attention: motorcycle escort with 1 (Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY) - attract as little attention as possible, continue advising the escort to cut the siren. 1:35 p.m.

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

I have been out of the car. Have you been trying to contact me?

Dispatcher (HENSLEE)

Did you get that information. Did the motor jockey give you the information about the building?

9 (Inspector J. H. SAWYER)

It's being secured now.