

Dallas, Texas
September 5, 1975

I, Raymond C. Eckenrode, being duly sworn, hereby make the following free and voluntary statement to Inspector Edgar N. Best and SAC Arthur F. Nehrbass. I have been advised that an allegation has been made that prior to the assassination of President Kennedy, Lee Harvey Oswald appeared at the Dallas Office and left a note for SA James P. Hosty.

I have been asked to furnish any information in my possession bearing on this alleged incident. I do not have any specific recollection of being told by any employee in the Dallas Office of the delivery of this letter or of its existence. It is conceivable, due to the passage of time, that if the existence of such a note were discussed in the office, I may have heard a rumor to that effect, but again, I have no specific recollection of having heard about it.

SA James P. Hosty and I were neighbors and for a period of time prior to the assassination of President Kennedy, car pooled to and from work together. The extent of my association with SA Hosty was limited to this car pool and contacts within the office, and we did not have a significant social relationship. At no time did Jim Hosty tell me that

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he had received a note, letter or whatever, which was delivered to the Dallas Office by Lee Harvey Oswald, nor did he, at any time, inform me prior to, or subsequent to the assassination that such a communication was destroyed by him or anyone else.

W. F. White

Sworn to and subscribed before me on September 5,

1975, at Dallas, Texas.

W. F. White

Edgar W. West