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"I, Charles Douglas Givens, make the following statement to Special Agent Thomas T. Trettis, Jr., who has identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I presently reside at 4208 First Avenue, Dallas, Texas. I was born on May 16, 1925, and I am a member of the Negro race. I am employed as a wrapper and order-filler at the Texas School Book Depository Building, and was so employed on November 22, 1963. When President John F. Kennedy was shot I was standing at the corner of Record and Elm Streets after having watched the parade on Main Street. I was accompanied by Edward Shields of 416 Cleve Street, Dallas, an employee of the Texas School Book Depository Building, and a man I know only as James' who was employed at the Classified Parking Lot on the corner of Record and Elm Streets. I do not know James' home address but I believe he is still employed by Classified in one of their downtown lots.

"I did not see Lee Harvey Oswald when the President was shot. I do not recall seeing any strangers in the Texas School Book Depository Building on the morning of November 22, 1963.

"After the President was shot I returned to the Texas School Book Depository Building, and was told by a Dallas policeman that I could not enter the building. About an hour later I went to the Dallas Police Department and was questioned by the police for about forty-five minutes. Then I returned to the Book Depository Building about five o'clock that same afternoon to pick up my hat and coat. I left the building a few minutes after I picked up my hat and coat.

"I have read the above statement consisting of two pages and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/Charles Douglas Givens 3-18-64
Dallas, Texas

"Witnessed: /s/Thomas T. Trettis, Jr., Special Agent, FBI,
3-18-64, Dallas, Texas

"/s/E. J. Robertson, Special Agent, FBI, 3-18-64, Dallas, Texas."

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