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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.

Givens was questioned by Police

"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."