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Under date of December 29, 1963, the Memphis Office advised that JAMES PREDERICK HURPHY had been located on the night of December 28, 1963, as an itinerant lodger at the Salvation Army, Nashville, Tennessee.

MURPHY advised he had been drifting around the country for several years, and on October 31, 1963, went alone to the Statler-Hilton Hotel Personnel Office, arriving between 9:00 and 9:30 A.M. MURPHY advised he recalled there was a girl in her twenties with red hair working in the personnel office. MURPHY filled out an employment application form, and to his knowledge, was the only applicant in the office at the time. MURPHY stated he was interviewed by the employment Supervisor, a Mrs. FISHER, shortly thereafter, and accepted a job in the employees' cafeteria.

MURPHY stated his only associate at the Statler-Hilton Hotel was a male Mexican, name unrecalled, who was also employed in the employees' cafeteria, and that this individual assisted MURPHY in obtaining a room next door to his residence, exact address unrecalled. MURPHY advised he resided in this room approximately one week and then moved into the Y.M.C.A. where he resided until he left Dallas.

MURPHY emphatically stated he went alone to seek employment at the Statler-Hilton Hotel and stated he had never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and denied any knowledge of OSWALD, or his activities. MURPHY stated he knows nothing concerning OSWALD'S alledgedly attempting to obtain employment at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, and denied any knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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