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Mr. E. H. WILLIAMS, Regional Director, Region #7, AFL-CIO, 908 Gladstone Boulevard, Shreveport, Louisiana, whose office is located at Room 1015, Carondelet Building, New Orleans, Louisiana, furnished the following information:

He recalls LEE HARVEY OSWALD was in his office in New Orleans, Louisiana in about May, 1963. He does not recall the exact date and it may have been earlier than May, 1963 when OSWALD was in his office. The first contact he had with OSWALD was when he received a letter from OSWALD which letter was mailed from another state. He does not recall from where the letter was mailed but it may have been mailed in Ohio or possibly the east coast of the United States. In the letter OSWALD stated he had been raised in New Orleans but had been away for many years. OSWALD said he was returning to New Orleans shortly and would come into the AFL-CIO office to try to obtain a job. This letter was not addressed to WILLIAMS personally but was addressed to the AFL-CIO office.

Sometime, possibly two or three weeks after receiving the letter, OSWALD appeared in WILLIAMS' office and inquired as to the possibility of obtaining a job. WILLIAMS did not know OSWALD but recalls his appearance and now recognizes him as the man whose photograph has been in the newspapers recently. He recalls OSWALD was not a skilled laborer and he discouraged OSWALD's efforts to obtain a job through the AFL-CIO. He thinks he told OSWALD that OSWALD would have to join a union in order to secure a job and OSWALD said he would do so if he could get a job. WILLIAMS does not recall any other details as to his conversation with OSWALD but he believes OSWALD was alone at the time he was in the AFL-CIO office. He did not refer OSWALD to any local office of the AFL-CIO that he can recall. WILLIAMS recalls OSWALD was in his office only a short time but again returned to his office some week or two after the first visit. OSWALD was told that WILLIAMS could not help him secure a job.

There are five other employees in WILLIAMS' office and WILLIAMS does not know whether or not these employees

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recall OSWALD. WILLIAMS has made a thorough search of his office in an effort to locate the letter he received from OSWALD and can not find this letter. It is his opinion he destroyed the letter at the time he received it. He thinks this letter was signed LEE OSWALD or LEE H. OSWALD. He can furnish no further information as to LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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