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Sergeant CALVIN B. OWENS, residence 1830 Melbourne, Dallas, assigned to the Oak Cliff Sub-station, Dallas Police Department, furnished the following:

Sergeant OWENS has been a police officer for 23½ years and had known Patrolman J. D. TIPPIT for about 11 years prior to the death of TIPPIT on November 22, 1963. During this 11 year period, OWENS had been TIPPIT's supervisor for about 10 years and was his supervisor on November 22, 1963. For about six months to a year prior to his death, TIPPIT had been assigned to District 78 in the Oak Cliff area of Dallas. From November 1, 1963, until his death, TIPPIT had been assigned to the day shift, working from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Sergeant OWENS explained that it is Police Department policy that the Patrol Division zotates its working hours each month, therefore, each patrolman will work one month from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. or the "day shift," then one month from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. or the "evening shift," and then one month from 11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. or the "late night shift," then repeat this procedure.

Sergeant OWENS advised it also is Police Department policy that about 80% of the patrolmen working the day shift, work alone, while during the remaining two shifts all patrolmen work with a "partner" or with another patrolman in the squad car and not "partner" or with another patrolman in the squad car and not "partner" or with another patrolmen working the day shift who was TIPPIT was one of those patrolmen working the day shift who was working alone. OWENS advised during the day shift on November 22, 1963, there were abcut 13 or 14 squad cars operating out of the Oak Cliff Sub-station and that three of these were two-man units while the remaining were one-man units. TIPPIT, according to OWENS, was one of the latter.

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