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HOWARD LESLIE BRENNAN, 6814 Woodard, advised that he furnished information previously to the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding his having observed activity at the window in the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) from which shots were allegedly fired at President KENNEDY on November 22, 1963, at Dallas. He advised that at about 7 p.m., November 22, 1963, when he observed a line-up of individuals at the Dallas Police Department he selected LEE HARVEY OSWALD as the individual most closely resembling the person whom he had seen with a rifle in the window of the TSBD Building. He said this was the extreme east window of the sixth floor on the front side of the TSBD Building where he observed this individual. He noted that he was seated on a wall across Elm Street from the TSBD at the time the Presidential motorcade passed. He stated that he now can say that he is sure that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was the person he saw in the window at the time of the President's assassination. He pointed out that he felt that a positive identification was not necessary when he observed OSWALD in the police line-up at the Dallas Police Department at about 7 p.m., November 22, 1963, since it was his understanding OSWALD had already been charged with the slaying of Dallas Police Officer J. D. TIPPIT. He said that another factor which made him hesitate to make a positive identification of OSWALD in the police line-up was that prior to appearing at the police line-up on November 22, 1963, he had observed a picture of OSWALD on his television set at home when his daughter asked him to watch it. He said that he felt that since he had seen OSWALD on television before picking OSWALD out of the line-up at the police station that it tended to "cloud" any identification he made of OSWALD at that time.

BRENNAN stated that he is not a publicity seeker and that on the contrary he would prefer not to have it known that he had made any identification of OSWALD as the person who had fired shots from the window of the TSBD. He stated that if it became necessary that his identity be known in this matter in connection with any subsequent hearings or Governmental review of reports regarding this matter he would be willing to have his name known and, therefore, he is identified herein as having furnished at

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this time a positive identification of OSWALD as the person who fired a rifle from the window of the TSBD on November 22, 1963, when the motorcade of President KENNEDY was passing the building. BRENNAN stated that he was able to observe OSWALD's head and shoulders in the window and possibly down as far as OSWALD's belt. He stated that he had earlier pointed out that he has especially good vision at a distance through being farsighted although he wears glasses for reading.

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