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RICHARD RANDOLPH CARR, 738 North Bishop, Dallas, was reinterviewed to clarify information previously furnished by CARR on January 4, 1964, in connection with an alleged statement attributed to CARR that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had not assassinated President KENNEDY. CARR furnished the following signed statement on February 3, 1964:

"February 3, 1964
Dallas, Texas

"I, Richard Randolph Carr, make the following voluntary statement to Paul L. Scott who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I understand this statement is being furnished in connection with an official investigation being conducted by the FBI.

"I am a Steelworker and am presently employed on a construction project at SMU, Dallas.

"On the morning of 11/22/63 I had taken my wife and child to Parkland Hospital, Dallas, arriving there at approximately 11:30 AM. I left my wife and child at the hospital and proceeded to the downtown area of Dallas to attempt to locate employment, being temporarily without employment at that time. Shortly after noon on 11/22/63 I went to the site of the new court house being constructed at the corner of Houston and Commerce Sts., Dallas. I was attempting to locate the foreman in charge of the steel construction on this building. I made inquiry of one of the workers at the site and was told he was on the ninth floor and I started walking up the steel stairway of the building which stairway was on the west side of the building next to Houston Street. As I reached a point at approximately the sixth floor of the building framework I looked toward the Texas School Book Depository

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Building located at the corner of Houston and Elm Sts. and at that time I observed a man looking out of a window of the top floor of the Texas School Book Depository building. This man, a heavy set individual, who was wearing a hat, a tan sport coat and horn rimmed glasses, was not in the end window next to Houston St. but was I believe in the second window over from Houston St. I continued on up the stairway and a minute or so later I heard a noise which I took to be the backfire of an automobile or a firecracker. There was a slight pause after the first report and then two reports in quick succession. From where I was standing on the framework of the new court house building I looked toward the triple underpass just west of Houston and Elm Sts. It seemed to me that the noises I had heard came from this direction. As I looked I saw several individuals falling to the ground. I do not recall that I looked toward the Texas School Book Depository building after hearing the three reports. I immediately proceeded down the stairway of the building with the intention of going over to the triple underpass to see what had happened. When I reached the ground I walked to Houston St. and down Houston St. to the Commerce St. intersection. I did not walk over to the site where I had previously seen people falling to the ground due to the large crowd which was already there.

"While I was on Houston St. near the Commerce St. intersection I saw a man whom I believe was identical with the man I had earlier seen looking out of the window of the Texas School Book Depository building. This man, walking very fast, proceeded on Houston St. south to Commerce St., then east on Commerce St. to Record St. which is one block from Houston St. This man got into a 1961 or 1962 Grey Rambler Station Wagon which was parked just north of Commerce on Record St. The station wagon, which had Texas license and was driven by a young negro man, drove off in a northerly direction.

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"I proceeded to my car which was parked near the new county court house bldg. and drove by the residence of my brother and then to Pete Cates, All State Trailer Park, Zangs Blvd. and Clarendon St. My sister in law was watching TV and she came and told me the President had been shot and Pete Cates and I then watched TV until it was announced the President had died. This was the first time I realized that the noises I had heard while on the new county building had probably been gun shots.

"I wish to state at this point that I did not see anyone in the Texas School Book building with a gun; I did not see the assassination of President Kennedy and I did not at any time tell anyone that I had seen the assassination of President Kennedy.

"Sometime after the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald, exact date not recalled, I was talking to Elsie Johnson, her sister, Mary Sue (LNU), and another woman by the name of Gentry. My wife was also present during this conversation. It is my understanding that the way the conversation came up - Elsie Johnson and Mary Sue were discussing Jack Ruby and the shooting of Oswald. They mentioned they were acquainted with Ruby and had been interviewed by the FBI. In addition there was a general discussion of the assassination of President Kennedy and the subsequent shooting of Oswald. It is my recollection that during this discussion I expressed the opinion that Lee Harvey Oswald did not fire the shots that killed Kennedy. I was basing this opinion on various statements I had heard on radio and TV concerning the assassination and how it was supposed to have occurred. I also based this opinion on reported accounts of the shooting of Officer Tippit and my comparison of the accounts of the Tippit shooting and the assassination reports. I may

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have mentioned during this conversation the individual I had seen on 11/22/63 while I was on the new court house building. However, I did not state at any time that this man I had seen from the building and later on the street was the man who had shot President Kennedy. I did not have any specific information concerning the assassination of President Kennedy at the time of this conversation with Elsie Johnson and her sister and I do not at the present time have any information concerning the assassination. Any statements I made to the effect that Lee Harvey Oswald was not the person who shot Kennedy were merely expressions of my opinions.

"I have read the above statement & it is true to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Richard Randolph Carr

"Witness: Paul L. Scott, Special Agent, FBI, 2/3/64"

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