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The following investigation was conducted in an effort to ascertain the times Lee Harvey Oswald's picture was first displayed on each of the Dallas, Texas, television stations on November 22, 1963, and the source of each such picture so displayed:

On March 25, 1964, Mr. Edward Barker, News Director of KRLD Television, Channel 4, Dallas, Texas, advised that the first photograph of Lee Harvey Oswald that was transmitted over KRLD Television was a still photograph furnished to them by Associated Press via Wire Photo Service. This was a photograph, according to Mr. Barker, showing Oswald when he was first brought to the Dallas Police Department by the arresting officers. Mr. Barker stated their station used this photograph approximately ten to fifteen minutes after it was received from Associated Press Wire Photo Service. He stated he could not furnish the time, but that Mr. Ferd Kaufman of the Associated Press, Dallas, Texas, could furnish the exact time this photograph was transmitted to all stations. Mr. Barker stated this photograph was shown approximately one to one and one-half hours prior to any film that was transmitted on KRLD Television showing Oswald at the Dallas Police Department.

On March 25, 1964, Mr. Robert Walker, News Director for WFAA Television, Channel 8, advised that Lee Harvey Oswald's picture was first displayed on the television screen of WFAA shortly after Oswald was arrested by the Dallas Police Department on November 22, 1963. Mr. Walker stated that to his recollection, Oswald was brought to the Dallas Police Department at a few minutes after 2:00 PM on November 22, 1963. The first picture that was flashed on the screen of WFAA Television was a still picture taken by Mr. Ferd Kaufman of the Associated Press. He stated that Associated Press furnishes wire photos of pictures for television screens and since WFAA Television is a subscriber to Associated Press Wire Photo, the WFAA Television would have had the benefit of this photograph. Mr. Walker stated he could not state the exact time this picture was flashed to the public by WFAA Television, but that it was within ten or fifteen minutes after it was received from the Wire Photo Service of Associated Press. He stated Mr. Kaufman could supply the information

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as to when this picture was first transmitted. Mr. Walker stated that to the best of his memory this was a still photograph showing Oswald as he was brought to the Dallas Police Department. Mr. Walker stated that it would have been roughly 4:30 or 5:00 PM before any film that was shot by the cameraman of WFAA Television would have been developed and have been transmitted over their station, but that he was confident that the first still photograph furnished by Associated Press was shown sometime around 3:00 PM, November 22, 1963.

On March 25, 1964, Mr. Ferd Kaufman, a photographer for the Associated Press, with offices located in the Dallas News Building, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed, at which time he related that on November 22, 1963, he received an anonymous tip that a suspect had been captured in the Texas Theatre in Dallas who was believed to be the person that shot Dallas Police Patrolman J. D. Tippit. He stated he immediately drove toward the Texas Theatre and, upon nearing the scene of the Texas Theatre, he met a patrol car with a prisoner in it and felt that this probably was a suspect being taken to the Dallas Police Department. Mr. Kaufman stated he turned his automobile around and raced to the Dallas Police Building at the corner of Main and Harwood where he was able to take a photograph of Lee Harvey Oswald being brought into the City Jail of the Dallas Police Department. He stated this was approximately ten minutes after two on November 22, 1963. He stated that the film of the photograph was immediately developed and it was transmitted on Associated Press's Wire Photo System at 2:55 PM, November 22, 1963. Mr. Kaufman stated that this photo was sent to all television stations and newspapers who subscribed to the Associated Press in the United States. The caption of this picture was "Gunman kills policeman--Lee H. Oswald, 24, was arrested in Dallas today in connection with the slaying of a Dallas policeman shortly after President Kennedy was assassinated. He was also being interrogated to see if he had any connection with the slaying of the President". Mr. Kaufman stated that he later learned this was the first photograph that was transmitted on any wire service of the capture of Lee Harvey Oswald.

On March 26, 1964, Mr. James Byron, Chief of the News Room at WBAP Television, 2900 Barnett, Fort Worth, Texas, stated immediately after President Kennedy's assassination on Friday, November 22, 1963, the networks (ABC, CBS and NBC) took over the operation of the two Dallas television stations (KRLD Television and WFAA Television) and the Fort Worth Station (WBAP Television).

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He stated he had no idea when the first picture of Lee Harvey Oswald was shown on his station or the two Dallas stations and he did not believe anyone at the headquarters of the three networks (ABC, CBS, and NBC) in New York City would have any such record. He stated he had no idea as to the source of any pictures shown of Lee Harvey Oswald. He explained that because of the President's visit to Dallas, all of the networks and news media were already well represented in Dallas. After the assassination, all of the motion pictures and still shots were fed into the headquarters of the television networks in New York City and there they picked out the pictures to show on television.