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Mr. FRANK RIGNEY, President, Anderson Furniture Studios, Cedar Springs and Harwood Streets, Dallas, Texas, telephonically related that on November 22, 1963, while he and his employees were listening to the radio account of President KENNEDY's tour through Dallas, an unidentified male individual, described as white, male, age about 28, sallow complexion, foreign appearance, with a very prominent nose, came in telling the switchboard operator, Miss HELEN ZELLERS, that he wanted to make a long distance telephone call collect. She told him he would have to use the phone immediately adjacent to the switchboard. Then this individual sat down in a chair, apparently listening to the radio, appearing very nervous upon hearing over the radio that the President had been shot; this individual then jumped up, and started to come into the actual switchboard area, but Miss ZELLERS told him again he would have to use the other phone. This man did so, and Miss ZELLERS overheard only his telling the operator that it was a collect call to Indiana (city not overheard by Miss ZELLERS). She told Mr. RIGNEY that the man did not complete the call, then hung up and abruptly left the store without even thanking them.

Mr. RIGNEY stated that all his employees felt this was very strange, and since he, (RIGNEY), had formerly been in the U. S. Army Intelligence, he thought the individual might have been signaling someone by merely letting the other telephone ring, without having it answered. He said he personally did not see the male individual, but the following employees did observe him, and furnished the above description:

Mr. LEROY VAUGHN, decorator;

MARDIE JIM ROBINSON, decorator;

Miss NEILA BOORLAND, Draperies Department.

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