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U. S. Secret Service

Chief

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Preliminary Special Dallas Report #1. Assassination of the President (Assassination Scene)

At approximately 12:30 PM on November 22, 1963, a car bearing the President, Mrs. Kennedy, Governor John Connally of Texas and Mrs. Connally, was proceeding west enroute to the Trade Mart Building, 2100 Stemmons Freeway, to a Luncheon sponsored by the Dallas Citizens Council scheduled for 12:30 PM. The car owned and operated by the Secret Service was driven by Special Agent William R. Greer. The right front seat was occupied by [illegible] Roy H. Kellerman. At the foot of Elm Street, at a point approximately [illegible] feet east of the Houston Street Triple Underpass, on the approach to the Stemmons Freeway, President Kennedy, who was seated on the right rear seat, was shot. Immediately thereafter Governor Connally, seated in the right jump seat, was shot once. The President was then shot the second time. The car carrying the wounded President and the Governor proceeded immediately to the Parkland Memorial Hospital at 5201 Harry Hines Boulevard where the President was pronounced dead by Dr. Kemp Clark, Chief of Neurosurgery at 1 pm. Governor Connally, critically wounded, survived.

Witnesses identified the source of the shots as the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building at 411 Elm Street. A search of the building disclosed a number of open windows on the south side of the building. Officers Capt. J. W. Fritz and Detectives R. M. Sims and E. L. Boyd of the Dallas Homicide Division of the Police Department found, in an area on the sixth floor near an open window on the southeast corner of the building, three expended shells of 6.5 MM caliber rifle ammunition. An immediate search of the room disclosed an Italian Mainlicher-Carcano rifle 6.5 MM with a 4X Scope, hidden among the boxes on opposite side of this room near the staircase. One loaded shell was found in the chamber of the rifle.

ATTACHMENTS:

Photographs of the area from which the assassin fired the shots.
Photographs of the street being traveled by the President when assassinated.
Interviews of witnesses taken by Dallas Police Officers on their arrival at the Texas Schoolbook Depository.

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