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SAN ANTONIO, TEX., JAN. 13 (AP)-REP. HENRY GONZALEZ THOUGHT PERHAPS LYNDON JOHNSON HAD SUFFERED A HEART ATTACK WHEN HE FIRST SAW HIM AT PARKLAND HOSPITAL SHORTLY AFTER PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS SHOT IN DALLAS.

"HE LOOKED LIKE HE WAS IN A STATE OF SHOCK," SAID THE SAN ANTONIO DEMOCRAT. "HE JUST STOOD THERE, ASHEN-FACED, LOOKING AT THE FLOOR. HE NEVER LOOKED UP."

GAONZALEZ SAID JOHNSON KEPT SNIFFING FROM A PICKET INHALER, "FIRST IN ONE NOSTRIL, THEN IN THE OTHER."

HE SAID JOHNSON WAS LEANING AGAINST A WALL IN A SMALL ROOM NOT FAR FROM THE TRAUMA ROOM WHERE DOCTORS WERE TRYING TO SAVE KENNEDY'S LIFE.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEX.--GONZALEZ INTERVIEW (G79DN) INSERT AFTER FOURTH GRAF X X X KENNEDY'S LIFE.

GONZALEZ RECALLED THE ASSASSINATION IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

GONZALEZ HAD BEEN RIDING, ETC., FIFTH GRAF G79

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GONZALEZ HAD BEEN RIDING IN THE THIRD CAR BEHIND THE PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE IN THE DALLAS MOTORCADE. THAT WAS THE CAR JUST BEHIND THE ONE IN WHICH JOHNSON AND SEN. RALPH YARBOROUGH, D-TEX., WERE RIDING.

"WHEN WE GOT TO THE HOSPITAL, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED. I SAW MRS. KENNEDY'S BOUQUET, AND THE ROSES WERE ALL COVERED WITH BLOOD IN THE CAR, AND I THOUGHT THAT MAYBE SHE HAD BEEN HURT."

GONZALEZ SAID HE SPRINTED INTO THE HOSPITAL AND RAN INTO CLIFF CARTER, THEN AN AIDE TO VICE PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

"MY GOD, CLIFF, WHAT'S HAPPENED?" HE SAID HE ASKED CARTER. "CLIFF JUST SHOOK HIS HEAD, AND SAID I MIGHT SEE WHAT I COULD DO FOR LYNDON."

GONZALEZ SAID HE REMEMBERED THAT JOHNSON HAD SUFFERED ONE HEART ATTACK WHILE IN THE SENATE, AND FEARED THAT HE HAD HAD ANOTHER ATTACK WHEN HE FIRST SAW HIM.

"ALL THESE THOUGHTS WERE GOING THROUGH MY MIND, I STILL DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED. I HEARD A SECRET SERVICE MAN SHOUTING INTO A TELEPHONE TO KEEP A LINE OPEN."

HE SAID HE FIRST REALIZED THAT JOHNSON WAS ALL RIGHT WHEN REP. JACK BROOKS LED MRS. JOHNSON THROUGH THE SAME ROOM, AND SAID SHE WAS GOING TO SEE MRS. KENNEDY.

GONZALEZ DENIED A PUBLISHED REPORT THAT HE SAID JOHNSON APPEARED INCAPABLE OF TAKING OVER THE PRESIDENCY IN THE MOMENTS FOLLOWING THE ASSASSINATION.

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