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Patrolman WILLIE B. SLACK, Dallas Police Department, who resides at 5605 Sumatra Street, Dallas, was interviewed at his residence. SLACK was advised that he was not required to make a statement; that any statement he did make might be used against him in a court of law and that he had the right to legal counsel prior to making a statement.

Patrolman SLACK advised that on November 24, 1963, he was assigned to the City Jail Office from the hours of 6:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. This assignment was given him by Lieutenant WOODROW WIGGINS, Service Division.

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Patrolman SLACK advised that he does not know JACK RUBY, has never met him and has never talked with him. He added that he has never been employed by RUBY at any of his establishments and knows of no other police officer who has been so employed.

Patrolman SLACK stated that his duty on November 24, 1963, was to advise the dispatcher when LEE HARVEY OSWALD was placed in an armored car and removed from the basement area of City Hall to be taken to the County Jail. He stated that during the time he was on duty there, no one but authorized personnel was admitted in the Jail Office. He stated that at about 11:25 to 11:30 a.m. OSWALD was brought down to the Jail Office by elevator and there were two detectives on either side of them. They passed through the office and through the door leading to the corridors, which corridors lead to the ramp where cars entered and left the basement area. He stated that he could see fairly well this area through a 12x12 inch glass in the corridor door. He stated that he followed with his eyes OSWALD and the detectives but did not have a clear view of individuals beyond OSWALD, inasmuch as the detectives behind him cut off his field of vision. He stated he did not notice RUBY walk out and up to OSWALD and did not see the shot which was fired at OSWALD, although he heard same. He stated that immediately following the shot,

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there was a great amount of confusion and from this time on he was concerning with keeping unauthorized personnel out of the Jail Office.

Patrolman SLACK stated that other than the men who walked through the office with OSWALD he cannot identify any other individuals, police officers or newsmen who were present in the basement area at the time of the shooting. He stated that he also has no idea concerning how many individuals were in the area, but he would estimate that the number would exceed 35 or 40 individuals.

Patrolman SLACK stated that he had cleared his office of all individuals between 7:30 and 8:00 a.m. on that date and that guards were placed at the office door and no one was allowed to enter and no one used the elevator, with the exception of OSWALD and the accompanying police officers up until the time of the shooting.

He stated he does not know of any unauthorized person or persons who may have been admitted to the basement area prior to the shooting.

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