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"RE: Interview with Mr. N. J. Daniels, 2229 Sutter

"Sir:

"On November 29, 1963, Mr. N. J. Daniels was interviewed by the undersigned officers as to any information he might have concerning the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald and if he could give any information as to how Jack Ruby gained entrance to the basement of the City Hall.

"A lengthy interview was held with Mr. Daniels and an 'Affidavit-in-Fact' taken - copy attached.

"Mr. N. J. Daniels stated at the time of this interview that he had not been contacted by any Federal agency.

(5) "Affidavit In Any Fact" dated November 29, 1963, signed by N. J. DANIELS:

"THE STATE OF TEXAS

"COUNTY OF DALLAS

"BEFORE ME, Ann Schreiber, a Notary Public in and for said County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared N. J. Daniels, 2229 Sutter, Dallas, Texas, FR 4-6179.

"Who, after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says: On Sunday, November 24 at approximately 11:00 A.M., I came up to the Main Street ramp to the basement of the city hall. I was standing on the Western Union side of the ramp and I spoke to Officer Vaughn, he was on duty at that location. Officer Vaughn was standing in the center of the ramp keeping people from entering the basement of the city hall. I had been standing there several minutes when a squad car drove up the ramp with three officers inside, they drove on to Main Street and turned west on Main. At this time Officer Vaughn stepped out into the middle of Main Street and stopped the west bound traffic on Main so this squad car could make its turn on Main Street. For a brief moment while Officer Vaughn was blocking traffic, the ramp entrance at this location was left unguarded. I was standing at the east

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corner of the ramp and turned to watch Officer Vaughn stop the traffic. From the position where I was standing it was impossible for anyone to walk behind me and gain entrance into the basement. I did not notice anyone walk in front of me and go into the basement. At this time I was thinking to myself that if I saw anyone go in I would so advise Officer Vaughn. After stopping traffic for this squad car Officer Vaughn took up his duties in the middle of the ramp. Several minutes later I stepped out towards the street so that I could have a better view down the ramp. As I did so I noticed a white male, approximately 50 years of age, 5'10", weighing about 155-160#, wearing a dark (blue or brown) single breasted suit, white shirt, and dark colored tie, this man was not wearing a hat, he had light colored hair thinning on top, round face, kind of small head, fair complexion, he was not wearing an overcoat nor was he carrying one but he did have his right hand inside of his right suit coat pocket, approaching the ramp from the direction of the Western Union. This person walked in the ramp and into the basement going between Officer Vaughn and the east side of the building. Officer Vaughn at this time was standing at the top of the ramp in the middle of it facing towards Main. did not see Officer Vaughn challenge this person nor did he show any signs of recognizing him, nor even being aware that he was passing, but I know that he saw him. It struck me odd at the time that Officer Vaughn did not say something to this man. Approximately two minutes after this man had walked down the ramp I saw quite a bit of movement in the basement outside the jail office and then I heard a shot. From the time that I first spoke to Officer Vaughn until I heard the shot, which was approximately a period of twenty-five minutes, at no time did I see anyone leave or enter the basement of the city hall from the ramp entrance on Main Street except one squad car which contained three officers and this one unknown white man who entered. On Monday, November 25, 1963, at approximately 9:00 A.M., Officer Vaughn called me on the telephone at home and asked me if I had noticed anyone going into the basement while Lieutenant Pierce was coming out, I told him 'no! I did not. He told me he was bothered about the possibility that someone could have gone in there while Lieutenant Pierce and the other two officers were coming out in the squad car. I told him 'no, I did not.' But I did not mention the other fellow I saw go in because I was sure he had seen him.

/s/"N. J. Daniels

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