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Mr. J. B. Curry  
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Presidential Motorcade Assignments -  
November 22, 1963

Sir:

Before the individual traffic assignments were given to each man on the morning of November 22, 1963, I personally talked to the men assembled in the Detail Room.

I told the officers the approximate time of the arrival of the President at Love Field, where he would arrive and the approximate number of vehicles in this motorcade. I also advised them that Chief Lupkin would be in a white Ford with the Secret Service personnel, approximately eight or ten blocks ahead of the motorcade and that all officers on assignment should be alert for this vehicle and pull Chief Lupkin's vehicle through any lights and block off all traffic for the approaching motorcade. I then stated that the motorcade would have an advance motorcycle escort; that the first one in the escort would be Chief Curry's vehicle, followed by the President's vehicle, and that motorcycle escorts would be just to the rear of the President's car on each side. I advised them that the last vehicle in this motorcade would be a white marked A.D. car; also, that all officers operating motor vehicles should remain on Channel 2 for radio communications.

I then went over the route of the motorcade from Love Field through the downtown area and stated that some of the officers would have assignments before and during the parade and some officers on assignments at the start, near Love Field, would then have assignments in the Trade Mart area; also that other assignments would be made after the President left the Trade Mart and that Lieutenant W. P. Southard would give each officer his individual assignment. I also advised these officers that supervisors would be available in their particular area for any problems that might arise.

I then told the officers that their primary duty was traffic and crowd control and that they should be alert for any persons who might attempt to throw anything and although it was not a

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violation of the law to carry a placard, that they were not to tolerate any actions such as the Stevenson incident and arrest any person who might attempt to throw anything or try to get at the President and his party; paying particular attention to the crowd for any unusual activity. I stressed the fact that this was our President and he should be shown every respect due his position and that it was our duty to see that this was done.

At the time of these instructions Deputy Chief E. H. Lundy was present in the Assembly room. I then left the individual detail assignments to Lieutenant W. F. Southard and requested that all of the solo-motorcycle supervisors and solo-motorcycle officers meet with me outside the Assembly room for special instructions on their position in the Presidential motorcade.

I then went outside the Assembly room and reviewed with the solo supervisors and all of the solo officers their motorcade assignments with instructions that they were to keep the crowds back from the President's car and other vehicles in this motorcade; specifically instructing the officers on each side to the rear of the President's car to be alert for any unusual movements in the crowd so that they could move their motorcycle up into position alongside the President's vehicle if necessary for his safety. The solo supervisors were then handed copies of the assignments for their men.

Respectfully submitted,

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