

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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ARNOLD LOUIS ROWLAND, 3026 Hamnerley, telephone FE 7-1861, advised that he is a white male, 18, and resides with his wife, BARBARA WALKER ROWLAND at the above address and they attended school at Adairson High School. He stated that on November 22, 1963, he and his wife went to downtown Dallas for the purpose of seeing President KENNEDY in the parade through the downtown area. He stated that at approximately 12:15 PM, he and his wife were standing on the East side of Houston Street, adjacent to the Dallas County Courthouse. He stated he and his wife were discussing the security of protecting the President under such circumstances as the forthcoming parade and he was looking around at the buildings and observed an unknown male wearing a light colored shirt and holding what appeared to be a .306 rifle with telescopic sight on the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository. He stated this man was standing inside the window on the southwest corner of the sixth floor of the building, which window is nearest the overpass. He stated he assumed that the individual in possession of the rifle was a security guard standing for the purpose of protecting the President and that he called this matter to the attention of his wife but the man moved back out of sight before his wife could see him.

ROWLAND stated that he was not close enough to identify the person he saw and cannot say if it was or was not LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

on 11/23/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43  
by Special Agent J. CALVIN RICE  
JOHN V. ALMON/cab Date dictated 11/23/63

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