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DENNIS RODNEY JOHNSON, white male, date of birth [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised he is also known as Rodney Johnson, and that he is a driver, Rolling Inn Catering, 3521 South Brunson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, (405) 685-3663, and resides at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, [REDACTED] JOHNSON indicated his business hours are from about 4:00 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m., as he goes to various construction sites and sells food from his truck to the construction workers. He has a cook, BILLIE HOOD, who rides in the back of his truck while he is driving his route. On April 19, 1995, his truck was struck in the rear end by debris from the explosion in front of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building when it was bombed. Also present and participating in this interview was Agent ROBIN ESTES, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation. Thereafter, JOHNSON provided the following information:

Prior to the bomb exploding, he had been at a site at Linwood and Western Avenue, Oklahoma City. Thereafter, he was scheduled to go to Cox Tomato in the Bricktown area of Oklahoma City. He is usually running late in his arrival at Cox Tomato, but remembers that on this day, he was close to being on schedule which calls for him to be at Cox Tomato shortly after 9:00 a.m. His route causes him to travel eastbound on NW 5th Street in front of the Federal building, daily. Usually there is a UPS truck parked in the handicapped area directly in front of the front doors to the Federal building. On April 19, 1995, this truck was not there; however, there was another truck in front of the Federal building which possibly was white in color.

He also recalls that when he was passing in front of the Federal building on April 19, 1995, there were two white males crossing the street in the center of the block, causing him to have to slow down to allow them to pass in front of his vehicle.

He especially remembers one of the two males who passed in front of his truck because he thought that male was good looking except that he had rather big ears. He described that male as follows:

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RACE: White
SEX: Male
AGE: Late 20's to early 30's
HEIGHT: 6'-6'1"
BUILD: Medium
HAIR: Sandy blond, crew cut
FACIAL HAIR: None
COMPLEXION: Light
CLOTHING: White t-shirt; jogging pants
that were possibly blue with
with a white 6 inch angled
stripe on one leg; shoes dark
color.

JOHNSON was shown a composite drawing of Unsub Number 1 at which time JOHNSON indicated that the above described individual looked like the composite drawing.

With regard to the other white male who crossed 5th Street in front of his truck, JOHNSON indicated he could furnish less of a description as he was paying more attention to the other individual. The second male was described as follows:

RACE: White
SEC: Male
AGE: Unknown
HEIGHT: About 5'8"
BUILD: Stocky
HAIR: Black, possibly with gel on it.
CLOTHING: Possibly blue jeans and a dark jacket with dark shoes.

JOHNSON was shown a composite drawing of Unsub Number 2 and he indicated he did not get a good look at the second male so he had no comment as to whether the composite looked like the second male or not.

Thereafter, JOHNSON continued by providing the following additional information:

The above mentioned two males were hurrying across 5th Street toward a newer model brown Ford pickup with dark tinted windows. He does not believe that it was the brand new type of

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pickup that has the curved fenders but a model prior to that. He does not believe the pickup was older than a 1989 model.

JOHNSON noted that 5th Street has parallel parking spaces, both on the south side by the Federal building and across the street on the north side next to the curb. In addition, 5th Street has about four lanes for traffic to travel in an easterly direction (one way) in front of the Federal building and continue on east. He recalls that the brown pickup was not parked in the parallel parking places on the north side of 5th Street but rather in the driving lane of 5th Street which is farthest to the north side of 5th Street. This was an unusual place to have parked a pickup truck. Because the pickup had tinted windows, he could not determine whether or not anyone else was in the pickup that he observed parked there.

The two males that he had to slow down for were hurrying across the street and the taller, sandy blond haired individual went in front of the pickup and JOHNSON thought that the sandy haired individual would probably get in the driver's side of the pickup, however, he (JOHNSON) did not actually observe the sandy haired male enter the pickup. Likewise, he did not observe the other white male with black hair enter the pickup as by that time he was concentrating on the road ahead since he was approaching the stop light at Robinson Avenue.

The light was green for him to continue on through the intersection of NW 5th Street and Robinson Avenue, which he did. Since there is a slight hill about halfway through the block between Robinson and Broadway Avenue, he told the cook, BILLIE HOOD, to sit down so she would not fall. She was in the back of the truck walking around.

Approximately in front of the middle of the YMCA building and just after he had started down the hill in the block between Robinson and Broadway Avenue, he felt the concussion of the bomb going off at the Federal building. Immediately thereafter, a loud sound came from the rear of his truck that sounded like a shotgun going off. He believes the rear end of the truck came off the ground. This was about 30 seconds after he saw the two men crossing the street in front of the Federal building.

He started pulling toward the right lane and turned right and parked on Broadway at 5th Street, heading his truck

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south. He exited the door on the right side as that is the only door in the cab of the truck. He immediately ran toward the Federal building and attempted to help survivors out as he had received some emergency medical training.

He does not recall seeing the above mentioned brown pickup again after seeing it in front of the Federal building.

On April 22, 1995, JOHNSON telephonically contacted SA HIPPARD and advised that he had watched the television photographs of TIMOTHY MCVEIGH which were taken after MCVEIGH's arrest. JOHNSON advised that he is pretty confident it was MCVEIGH whom he saw hurrying across the street in front of the Federal building on April 19, 1995, immediately prior to the bomb going off.