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I arrived at the audubon ballroom on February 21, 1965 at about 3 PM. I was with my sister, but she left me to sit with another sister. I seated myself in booth #1. Malcolm X was introduced and I saw 2 men jumping, one saying "Get your hands out of my pockets". They had been sitting in the left row of seats about 10 to 15 rows back from the front, which would be the section of seats directly to my left in front of me. When they jumped up I started toward them up the aisle and got to about booth #9 when I heard shots coming from the left and side of me nearer the stage. As soon as I heard these shots, I fell on the floor, face down and remained there until other people started to get up. I did not see who the people shooting were, and I cannot recognize the men who jumped up. I have been shown photos by Detective Conley and from these photos I cannot say these people were, or were not at the Audubon Ballroom that day, as I don't recall seeing any of the people in the photos. I don't know whether the men who jumped up are or are not the men shown me in the photos.

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I was a follower of Malo & I was not an
intimate friend.

Malcolm X was head - of OMAU. & religious prospe at Hotel Theresa

2nd dance Shabazz, Oct 1968

3rd Earl Grant, Reuben Ble. 28, Whitney - security

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for 1 yr.

former member mosque #7. now OAAU. + Muslim Hosp. Inc.
and 12th Street point to secy. at Mosque #7-

- I did not know Norman 3rd Butler or Thomas 15th Johnson
- I was seated near front in booth on left side, rear fat man.
- 3 I reported to Brother Earl Grant
- I don't know the fat man. He appeared to me as an OAAU member he wear & a muslim (religion that is)
- I usually help brother Earl Grant with recording, noches, & account
mail & speed, but didn't have it with me so went to
sit down. I got there with my sister (Hy 55715) Truly Washington
171 Alabama Ave., Engle. Blk Tech. Dr. Hosp nyc.
- George 28th Whitney & Reuben & Francis were in charge of
all security
- My sister arrived at about 3PM. Just as Booth #1, my sister, went to centre
Brother Ndeeh & just as on stage, when 2 fellows jumped
upon said "Get you hands out of my pocket. I hurried
joined them. They I heard one shot to my left & front.
I hit the floor. Didn't see anything else & stayed on the floor
until people started getting up. I saw Brother Earl, Joane
Shelby & Reuben on the stage. Brother Jones Shelby told me
to keep the people back. I heard more shots after the first ones
they seemed to come from the same area. I don't know if
John 5th Gray was or wasn't there that day.