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5840 Alonzo Avenue  
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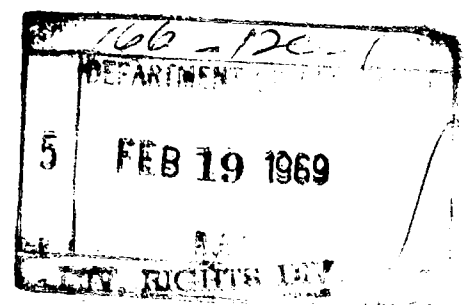
The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
President Of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am most concerned with the taxes it is costing the California tax payers in the Sirhan Sirhan case of which you are aware of in the assination of Senator Kennedy. They say this conviction will be in court three months. WHY? He has admitted his guilt, and was caught in the act. Why do we law abideing citizens have to pay for this? Our taxes is so high now in the San Fernando Valley that we just can't afford to live in the house we bought for 13,000 9 years ago. My Husband served in World War II and we have been since 1947 trying to own a home. Can't something please be done? We are past 50 years old now and would like to have a home in our later years instead of a room or rest home. I do thank you for takeing the time for my complaint.

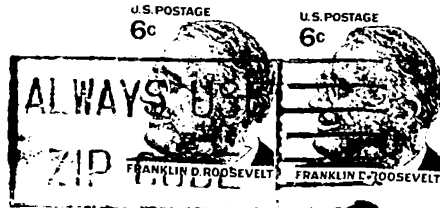
Yours, truly

*Mrs. Evelyn McSparran*



Mrs. Evelyn Mc Sparran,  
5840 Alonzo Avenue  
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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
President Of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

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Miss Phyllis Souza  
41903 Corte Santa Barbara  
Fremont, California 94538

Dear Miss Souza:

President Nixon has referred your letter of February 17, 1969, to this Department. We apologize for this delay in responding.

You can understand that it is not possible for the President personally to answer all correspondence addressed to him. He wants you to know, however, that he appreciates your taking the time to write.

Since the trial is presently being argued, however, it would be inappropriate for us to comment on the case at this time. Moreover, since the matter is being handled by the State of California, may we suggest that you contact the Los Angeles County officials if you have any further comments or questions.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

By: ETHEL A. OLLIVIERRE  
Attorney  
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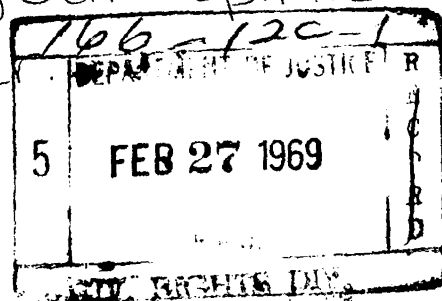
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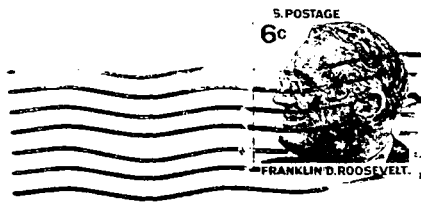
Dear Mr. President,

I am writing this letter to ask your opinion on one matter occurring in these busy days of our world today. I wanted to know what you think of Sirhan Sirhan and his trial. Do you think this fair? Do you think the trial is being postponed too often? Do you think Sirhan will be tried and convicted guilty of 1st degree murder from shooting Senator Robert Kennedy in June '68?

I am puzzled about Sirhan and his trial because your opinion usually isn't printed in the newspaper about this incident. I would appreciate it if you would write back, telling me your opinion on this confusing matter.



Thank-you  
Sincerely Yours,  
Phyllis Souza



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White House  
Washington, D.C.

41903 Corte Santa Barbara  
Fremont, California 94538

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APR 8 1969

Miss Pauline McGlone  
Route 2  
Rivesville, West Virginia 26588

Dear Miss McGlone:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter postmarked February 7, 1969, concerning Sirhan Sirhan. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Since the trial is currently in progress, it would be inappropriate at this time for the Department of Justice to comment on the case. If you have any additional remarks or questions, you may wish to direct them to the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

By:

ETHEL A. OLLIVIERRE  
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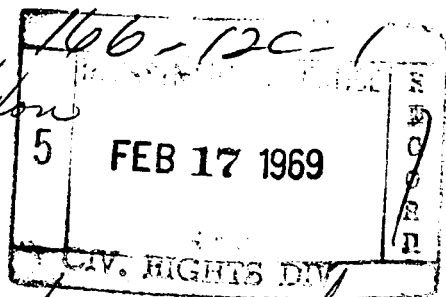
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President Richard Nixon



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Mr Nixon

I would like to know why some things are allowed to go on in our United States.

Not to bother you too much I would like for you to answer my letter just to let me know you received it. And to know you care about the people of this U.S.

A person read the the awful things and happenings that is going on that it makes you wonder and worry. I will name only a few. And they may not seem like much to you but there is other things to read and think besides the Vietnam war. ect. -

Two great Men were killed John And Robert Kennedy. Robert's killer is now on trial and I read where

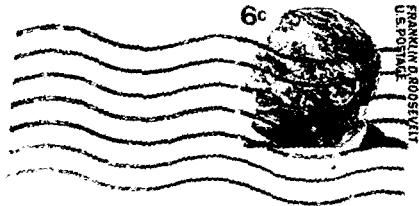
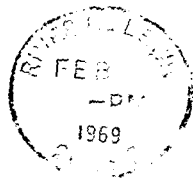
He won't get the death sentence  
 when thousands of people seen  
 him shot. When just today I  
 read in the papers a 13 year old  
 boy shot his playmate over a cig-  
 and it stated he will get the death  
penalty if found guilty. - In Fla.  
 Why is this trial so short lived  
 And Robert Kennedy's just goes on &  
 on. So people can have something  
 to read. And also making it hard  
 on his widow and children.  
Another question not related to  
 the one above

I live in W. Va. And the Bars  
 are allowed to sell Liquor after 12  
 But a shoe store was shut down  
 on Sundays. The only time a  
 family has for shopping together  
 I don't agree with either one  
staying open. Because Sunday is  
 a day to worship. But to leave

A bunch of Bars open for  
 parents to set a drink. Gods  
 knows what happens after they  
 get in the Car to go home. It looks  
 like. Beer is ok on Sunday But  
shows are illegal. They say that  
 employment is up. My husband  
 has tried to get work at different  
 places.. The state Rd here in  
 Fairmont. But they wont hire him  
 . They ask you if you're a Democrat  
 or Republican. And you better say  
 the right one. Then they hire  
 men that work half the time  
 they call in from being drunk.  
 or they wont hire you unless you've  
 been recently discharged from service  
 What is a Man suppose to do to  
 support his family when there are  
 people like that get jobs and wont  
 let you work for a living. Maybe

these things seems small to  
you. But to me they're not. I  
could go on but I won't waste  
your time. Say And Answer my  
letter if you have time And  
explain it. Thank you  
Sincerely

Pauline McIlhore  
Route 2  
Quincyville. W. Va.  
26588



President - Richard Nixon  
"Pennsylvania" White House  
Washington, D.C.

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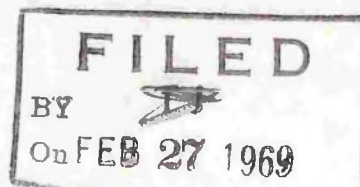
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staff,

I had written to your predecessor asking  
if Oswald or his father had been employees  
of City Bank of New York.



Tuesday, January, 196

The Attorney General;

I have written you to ask if you have recieved my letter asking for information about banking account numbers sent by me to Attorney General Kennedy after I had been attacked by the Sikhian family group in New York. Bishar Sikhian had suffered a cut eyebrow when he fell against a resturant table. The Sikhians had tried to obtain a suitcase that contained bank books seen by the hotel New Yorker staff.

I had written to your predecessor asking if Oswald or his father had been employees of City Bank of New York.

The Caswells had been involved in narcotics in Staten Island, New York. The elder Sirhan had been a seaman that delivered narcotics from the Mediterranean area to Panama a good many years ago. During the last war he shot agent Hill in Macy's dept. store. I was a member of the French-United States Intelligence staff, (Fusi).

I participated in the Pederson-Green-glass case. See Senator McClellan. Rec. of the Navy Forrestall was murdered I believe,

Will you write to 25-19 83<sup>rd</sup> Street Jackson Heights, Queens, 90 m. home, Marge

Col Louis Capot  
use this name please Joseph Smith

Ms. Smith

40 McQuire, Marye  
25-19 83<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Jackson Heights  
Queens, N.Y.

**AIR MAIL**



Mr. John H. Mitchell  
The Attorney General  
Dept. of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. B. Pat Conaway  
10 Wendell Street  
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Conaway:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter of February 13, 1969. We apologize for our delay in responding.

You can understand that it is not possible for the President personally to answer all correspondence addressed to him. He wants you to know, however, that he appreciates your taking the time to write him about your views which have been carefully noted.

Since the trial is currently in progress it would be inappropriate at this time for the Department of Justice to comment on the case. You may however, wish to address any further thoughts to the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

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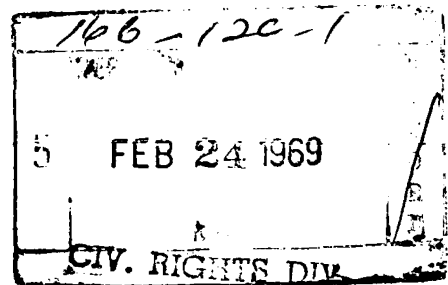
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7: *John*  
B. Pat Conway  
10 Wendell Street  
Cambridge, Mass. 02138

February 13, 1969

Richard M. Nixon  
President of the United States  
Washington, D.C.,



Dear Mr. President,

I want to ask of you that you intervene and appeal on the basis of mercy and reason that the accused assassins of Martin Luther King and Robert F. Kennedy be helped and pitied rather than punished. The old custom of Blood for Blood made cleaner and more "respectable" by modern techniques of execution must surely be renounced and discarded. We live in an age when sick, unhappy people can be cured. Tell me, what possible justice is served by increasing the suffering of humanity through prison sentences and executions. By what right do we, who are fallible in many respects, condemn others to die and suffer? Can this ever bring an end to the senseless violence and slaughter of human

beings around the world?

I realize that you are not a member of the jury, nor are you in any way directly connected with these trials. But as the chief of state, as the leader of two hundred million people, could you not raise certain questions which were raised by Christ nearly two thousand years ago:

"Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy." Matthew 5:7

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.

But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil, but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also." Matthew 5: 38, 39

"Judge not, that ye be not judged." Matthew 7: 1

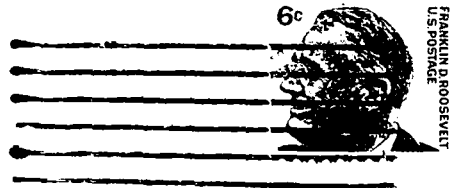
Hopefully these ideas have not gone out of fashion, although I fear they have. Are we ashamed or afraid to raise them? Why, why in the world, should we hesitate to enunciate clearly what can save us from the hatred, violence, and suffering which plague mankind? The people of this earth would be forever grateful to you for taking a stand for mercy and forgiveness.

Sincerely,

Pat Conaway

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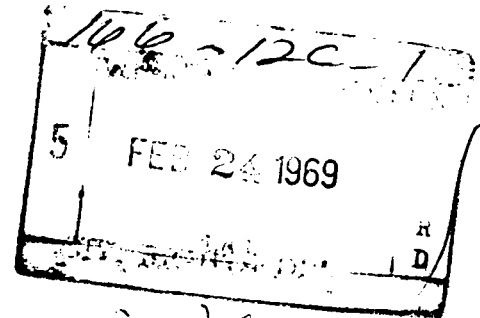
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Marshall, Tex.  
Feb. 13, 1969

Mrs. R. M. New,

There are a couple of Questions I  
would like for you to answer for me  
for one why is it when a white kills  
someone you all don't do anything about  
it he is always insane or just not anything  
at all if a Negro would have killed one  
of those he would have had the gas  
Chamber or electric Chair so long ago  
it just would have a big write up in  
the Papers and gone down in history  
also making no money is no excuse for  
Sirhan at all he is the first family  
from over seas that the united states  
hasn't taken care of so why make  
excuses for him he'll probably change  
name like they did Jack Ruby pretending  
he is dead and is not I can't understand  
you people and let you all tell it you all  
suppose to have the most since so you you  
all say but I would like to know when and  
where I sure wish you could talk about  
this letter in a talk of yours on tv.

Thank's

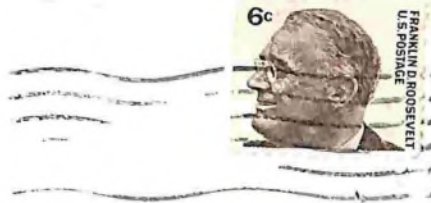
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AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

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Pres. Richard M. Nixon  
c/o of the White House  
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Huron W. Virden, Jr.  
685 Argonne Avenue, Northeast  
Apartment 10  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Mr. Virden:

This is in reply to your letters of  
February 12, 1969, addressed to the President and  
the Attorney General. We apologize for our delay  
in responding.

Since the trial of Sirhan Sirhan is currently  
in progress, it would be inappropriate for this  
Department to comment on the case. If you have  
additional questions or remarks regarding the matter,  
may we suggest that you contact the Los Angeles  
County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

By:

ETHEL A. OLLIVIERRE  
Attorney  
Western Section

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685 Argonne Ave., N.E., # 10  
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February 12, 1969

Attorney General John N. Mitchell  
The Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Attorney General Mitchell:

Permit me to congratulate you on your appointment to the President's Cabinet. In attending to your great responsibilities, may you find much strength and joy.

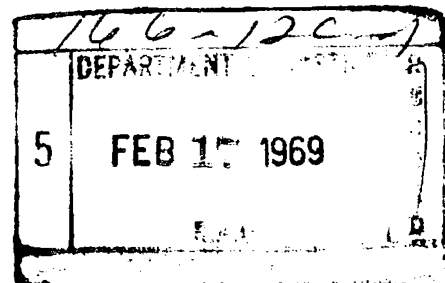
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I think that of the few matters for which it is desirable to retain the death penalty, political assassination is one. If a defendant chooses to stand trial, is found guilty, and is sentenced to death, an appropriate granting of clemency is possible and desirable. Is this not better than that the United States of America should temper Justice with Deception?

Very truly yours,

*Haron W. Virden, Jr.*

Haron W. Virden, Jr.



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Attorney General John N. Mitchell  
The Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C. 20510

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The White House  
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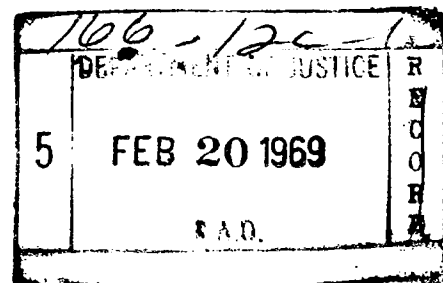
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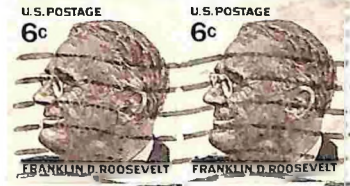
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President Richard M. Nixon  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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Mrs. Joseph Dudek  
62 Gorham Avenue  
Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180

Dear Mrs. Dudek:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter of February 12, 1969, concerning Sirhan Sirhan. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Since the trial is currently in progress, it would be inappropriate at this time for the Department of Justice to comment on the case. If you have any additional remarks or questions, you may wish to direct them to the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

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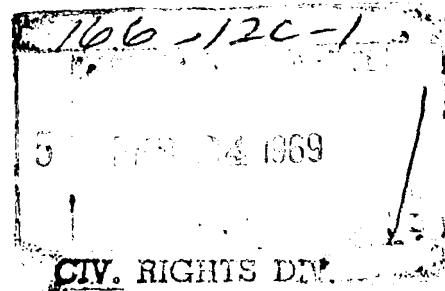
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Feb. 12-1969

Dear President Nixon:

First, I must say,  
our prayers are for you  
and your family for the  
next four years.

Secondly, being  
the just and peaceful  
man you appear to be,  
I hope you will  
see that justice is done  
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in regards to Robert  
Kennedy's murderer.  
Sirhan B. Sirhan  
It is an insult to  
the American people  
that this man  
be allowed to  
live as he wishes.  
his wishes, a terrible

Invitation<sup>3</sup>  
on the part  
of radicals in a  
to have this  
prolonged month  
month.

If these actions  
committed in Europe as  
elsewhere, it would  
have been just  
in a very few

4.

I do sincerely hope  
that you will do  
all in your power  
to see that this man  
gets the death penalty  
which he deserves  
nothing less is  
justice.

Respectfully



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The President  
The White House  
Pennsylvania Ave  
Washington D.C.

Mrs Joseph H Duden  
62 Gorham - Ave.  
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02180

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APR 8 1969

Miss Caroline Thompson  
Rural Delivery #1, Box #243  
Sussex, New Jersey 07461

Dear Miss Thompson:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter of February 12, 1969. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Since the trial of Sirhan Sirhan is currently in progress, it would be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the trial. If you feel it is appropriate and you wish to forward additional remarks or questions, you may wish to contact the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD  
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Civil Rights Division

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Caroline Thompson  
R.D.#1 Box 243  
Sussex, N.J. 07461  
February 12, 1969

President of United States  
Richard M. Nixon  
Washington, D.C. 20013

Dear Mr. President:

I'm writing to you because I have a problem which is bothering me, and this is Siran Siran.

He is not an American citizen, though he killed an American Citizen--Robert Kennedy, what right do we have to convict a foreigner to life or even death? Wouldn't this cause friction between the two countries?

I'm not trying to say that we shouldn't do anything about it, but shouldn't we stop and think about what his people might do if we give him the chair?

I would like to know, if possible, if Sirans country would have any say to this since Siran is not an American citizen.

Thank- you.

Sincerely,

*Caroline Thompson*

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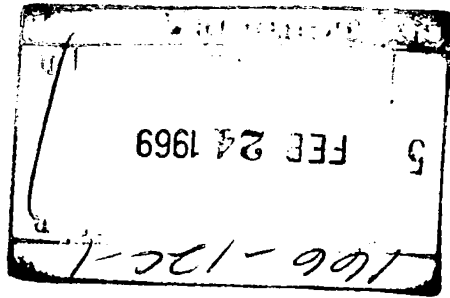
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*[Signature]*

SINCERELY,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME MR. PRESIDENT.

OF THE TRIAL.

EFFECT THE DUE PROCESS AND VERDICT

INFLUENCE ON THE COURT WHICH COULD

AVOID EXERTING ANY REAL OR IMPLIED

ELEMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT WILL

PRESSURES. IT IS MY HOPE THAT ALL

SHOULD BE DEVOID OF ANY POLITICAL

REGARDLESS OF THEIR BACKGROUND AND

MUST APPLY TO ALL CITIZENS EQUALLY

LAW, IN ORDER TO BE FAIR AND IMPARTIAL,

EQUALITY FOR THE INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE

MY GOVERNMENT IS THAT JUSTICE AND

THE RESULTS OF THE TRIAL.

WOULD ISRAEL OR THE U.A.R. REACT TO

OF THE VERDICT. IN PARTICULAR, HOW

TO DETERMINE THE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS

ROBERT KENNEDY, HAD APPROACHED WASHINGTON

ARE CONSIDERING THE ASSASSINATION OF

OFFICIALS OF THE COURT IN LOS ANGELES, WHO

ON THE NEWS TODAY I UNDERSTOOD THE

MY COMMENTS REEQUIRE IT.

INFORMAL LETTER, HOWEVER THE URGENCY OF

PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR THIS EXTREMELY

MR. PRESIDENT,

300 MOUNTAIN GAP ROAD  
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA 35895  
12 FEBRUARY 1969

C.R. SCHAR  
300 MT. GAP ROAD  
HUNTSVILLE  
ALABAMA  
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PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Washington, D. C. 20530

March 17, 1969

MEMORANDUM TO ALL EMPLOYEES

SUBJECT: Blood Donor Program

The next scheduled date for blood donations is Monday, March 24, 1969, in the Main Justice Building (Great Hall), beginning at 10:00 a.m., and ending at 4:00 p.m.

Since you are an employee of the Department, which is a member of the Blood Donor Program, you and certain members of your family (spouse, children under 18, parents, parents-in-law, grandparents) are entitled to receive any amount of blood you may require without cost provided the Department has met or is relatively close to meeting its established yearly quota of 700 pints. To receive this service, all you have to do is call the Employee Relations Unit, in the Main Justice Personnel Office, and your needs will be met.

Thus far in this fiscal year, the Department is so far below its donation quota that the Red Cross has informed us that we are in danger of losing our privilege of unlimited coverage for employees and the eligible members of their families. Unless we can come very close to our quota, we will be able to fill blood needs only to the extent of the number of pints donated by our employees. This will prove a great hardship to the many employees who will have need of unlimited coverage. Therefore, we ask you to please volunteer to give blood if you are physically able to do so.


Your blood recruiting officer will contact you within the next few days. If he should miss you, please notify the Employee Relations Unit, Code 187, Extension 3143.

Transportation will be provided for groups of five or more donors stationed in other buildings. Employees in the following locations should contact the persons listed who will arrange for transportation:

101 Indiana Avenue (HOLC) and 3rd and Constitution Ave., N.W. -  
Frances Martinez, Code 187, Ext. 3143

119 "D" Street, N. E. -  
Virginia Gogel, Code 155, Ext. 348

1405 Eye Street, N. W. (Benjamin Franklin Building) -  
Mary Smith, Code 128, Ext. 4231

  
Kenneth J. Stallo  
Director of Personnel

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Miss Marie Stiller  
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Dear Miss Stiller:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter postmarked January 31, 1969. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Since the trial of Sirhan Sirhan is currently in progress it would be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the case at this time. If you feel it is appropriate you may wish to forward any additional remarks or questions to the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

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Mr. President Nixon

Dear Sir:

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I'm not an attorney or law specialist but isn't there some type of restraining orders that could be utilized to prevent the sidan attorneys from making a shambles of law and justice.

In effect they are trying the jury system instead of trying a ~~murderer~~ ~~it~~ seems to me if they wish to make a case against our jury system it should be made into an individual case. Right now this pipsqueak murdered Sen. RFK, Kennedy and the trial should be about that. If this Debauch is permitted to proceed then all further murder trials should be outlawed and turn all further trials into Mardi Gras -

Maice Stiller

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Honorable Bob Mathias  
House of Representatives  
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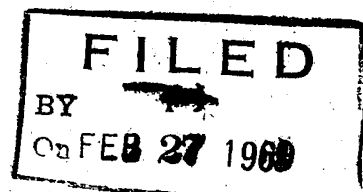
Dear Congressman Mathias:

Reference is made to your correspondence with regard to a letter from one of your constituents, Mrs. Mary Hilderbrand, with respect to the trial of Sirhan Sirhan.

As I advised your secretary, Shari Grover, on the phone today, the trial of Sirhan Sirhan is a matter within the jurisdiction of the State of California and the Department of Justice is not involved. We, therefore, are unable to be of assistance to you in replying to Mrs. Hilderbrand.

Sincerely,

Nancy A. Thompson  
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Mrs. Fishenden  
c/o Mr. Herbert E. Hoffman  
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Dear Mrs. Fishenden:

My secretary, Shari Grover has informed me of her conversation with you about a letter from one of my constituents regarding the efforts being made to establish that Sirhan Sirhan was insane at the time of the assassination of Robert Kennedy.

I am again enclosing a copy of Mrs. Hilderbrand's letter and it would be most appreciated if you would review her letter and inform me of your position in this regard.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
BOB MATHIAS  
U. S. Congressman

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HONORABLE ROBERT MATHIAS  
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Honorable Sir:

I have a question to ask and would appreciate receiving a direct response from you.

I read in the Bakersfield California, 11/25/68, that Sirhan Sirhan is to be given "chromosome" sanity tests to determine if he has a possible hereditary compulsion toward violence. If he has a "chromosome" count of XYY in lieu of XY he might be considered a "super male" who is predisposed toward violence. My question is, why are they trying so hard to prove this man insane so that he will not be executed for the death of one, Robert F. Kennedy? Instead, put him in a mental institution for 5 to 10 years then be released as a free man. Who is behind all this political idiocy and how much money is involved???

Why wasn't a "chromosome" test given to the killers and rapers of Timothy Luce and Susan Parham? One of the accused has been given the death penalty which I believe is only right and just. Was such a test given to one Richard Welch for the killing and raping of the Jenkins boy and Diane Bradford? What about Richard Speck and the 8 nurses? How many other murderers and rapists etc. down through the years have been given the advantage of a "chromosome test"?

Who and why are they trying so hard to free this man of such a senseless slaying? Why can't he be given a trial like any other human being who has committed a crime? Is it because this is the game of politics? Because he has one Russell Parsons defending him? Because it was a political figure killed - a Kennedy? Wasn't Bobby Kennedy just another ordinary human being with an ordinary daily job? I believe in freedom and justice for all men, but why is justice toyed with so much?

I realize that there is more money involved as far as the attorney representing Sirhan is involved but why do a money always have to win out why can't things be done for what they are.

I could go on and on regarding this matter but I won't. Again I would much appreciate your response to my inquiry.

Respectfully,