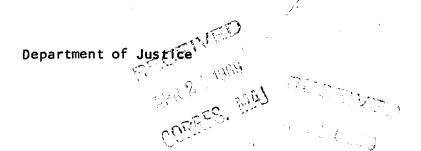
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Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

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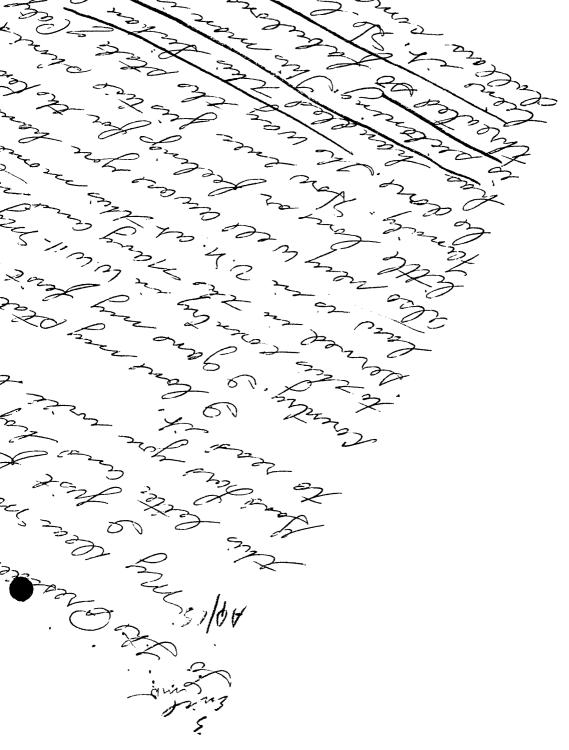
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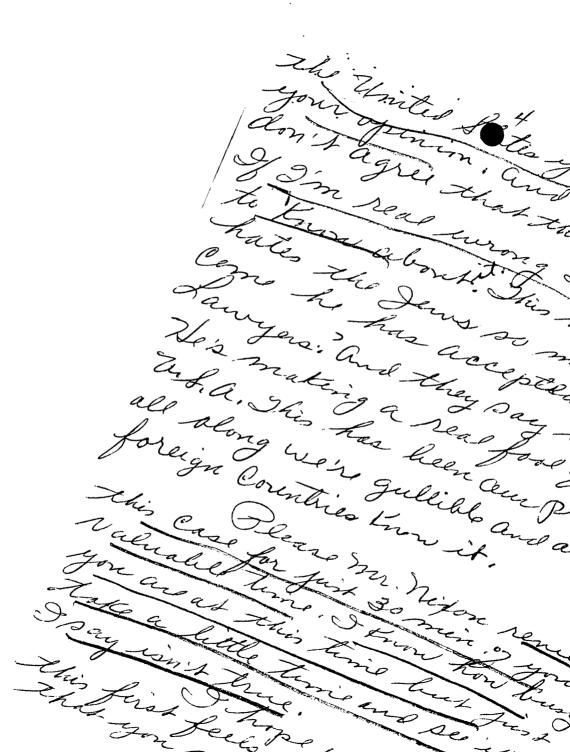
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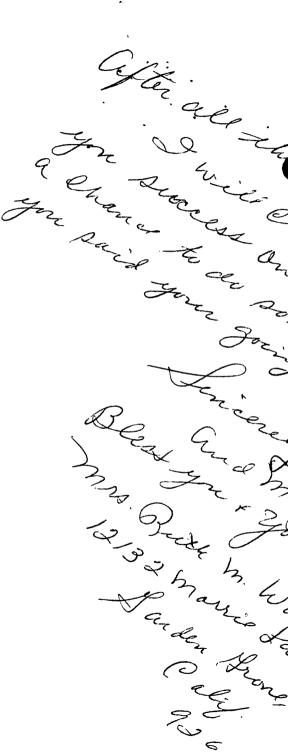
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A-4 Los Angeles Rerald-Examiner, Monday, March 31, 1969 B

Gls Overrun Red Base Near Saigon

SAIGON (UPI)—U.S. soldiers Americans were killed and 37 aboard tanks and bullet-spray-wounded.

ing armored vehicles smashed The announcement said the into a North Vietnamese base outpost defenders threw off the and overran it in rubber attack with machineguns and plantation country northwest of Saign, military spokesmen said today. Vietnamese bodies later on the

Charging through a fusillade battlefield 245 miles northeast of Communist machinegun fire of Saigon.

and - antitank rockets, the In other developments an-American troopers and divenounced by the U.S. command: bombers supporting them killed —The battleship USS New 38 in North Vietnam in the Jersey completed her six-month Michelin plantation battle 45 Vietnam tour today and was to miles from downtown Saigon. head for home Tuesday. In one

It brought to 444 the number of her last missions Sunday, the of Communists killed in the past world's only active battleship two weeks of an allied drive to smashed 13 Communist bunkers root them out of camps with salvos with her 16-inch threatening Saigon. Eight Amerguns against South Vietnam's icang died and 11 were wounded coastline.

in the fighting, communiques —A Communist mine explodsaid : ed at a bus station near the

The report climaxed a week-Plaza enlisted men's billet in end in which the Reds shelled downtown Saigon today, woun-Saigan and fired on a U.S. plane ing four South Vietnamese front the border Demilitarized civilians but no Americans. $Z \xrightarrow{\sim} (D!^4Z)$ —two violations of Early Sunday, terrorists shot the so-called understanding that their way into a government stopped the bombing of North Vietnam entirely last Nov. 1. Guerrilla gunners fired three three Saigon soldiers and five

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Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, Monday, March 31, 1969

STATE BUILDS SIRHAN SPECIAL 3-CELL SUITE

A three-cell suite is being built for Sirhan Bishara Sirhan at a state medical facility in case he is convicted of murdering Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and sentenced to life imprisonment, a state official said Sunday.

Sirhan's large quarters, now being walled off, will have a other prisoners, is at the Calikitchen - dining room, a bedroom, a living room and a lava- ville, near Sacramento. tory with shower, said Philip D. Guthrie of the California Adult first degree murder in the as-Authority.

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The cell, which Guthrie said

would protect the occupant from fornia Medical Facility at Vaca-

Sirhan is on trial, accused of sassination of Kennedy last June 5. If the jury convicts him of that charge, it will choose beween death and life imprisonment as the penalty.

If given a life sentence, Sirhan would be sent to the medical facility for "indefinite confinement-many months or even years," a standard procedure for prisoners with mental problems, Guthrie said.

"We'll need some reading of his frame of mind and we'll also want to assess the reaction of other inmates."

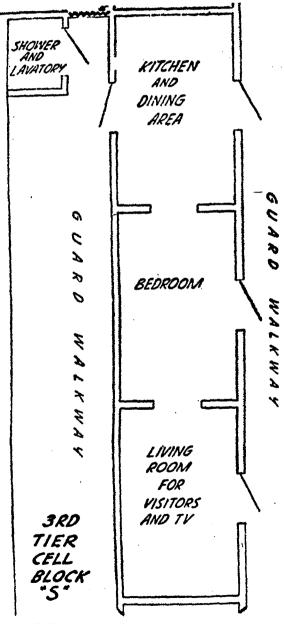
Guthrie added that the California Adult Authority is asking the legislature for special legislation so Sirhan could be held at Vacaville if he receives the death penalty instead of being sent, as state law requires, to Death Row at San Quentin Prison. He attributed the request to "questions brought up about Sirhan's mental condition" and Sirhan's "notoriety."

The three cells each are about 10 by 15 feet, Guthrie said.

One would be converted into a kitchen, equipped with a stainless steel stove and oven, where uniformed personnel would cook Sirhan's meals. This, Guthrie said, would "eliminate the risk of someone trying to poison his 22 food."

The second cell would be a a living room, equipped with a han's bedroom. n. television set, where Sirhan could receive visitors.

The third cell would be Sir-



PRIVATE QUARTERS AWAIT SIRHAN Sketch shows apartment-like cell arrangement.

han and keeping a 24-hour The bathroom will be off the watch on him, would far outkitchen. strip the \$2,800 yearly spent on-The cost of imprisoning Sir- average prisoners.

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Nibs and Ruth Waters 12132 Morrie Ln. Garden Grove, Calif. The Honorable The Attorney General Washington, D.C. 20530



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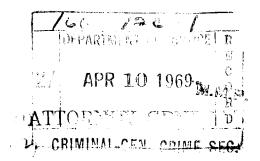
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> Mrs. Verla J. Crayons 6661 Rockglan Avenus San Diego, California 92111

Dear Mrs. Craveas:

Your April 7, 1969 letter to the Attorney General regarding the Sirkan game has been forwarded to this office for reply.

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Since the prosecution of this case is being handled by the local law enforcement subharities in California, it would not be appropriate for the Pederal deveryment to command about the case in any way at this time.

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Sincerely,

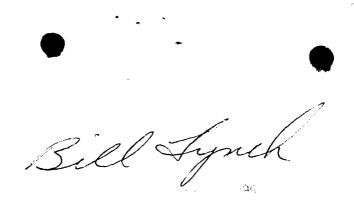
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The Attorney General of the United States The Capitol Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We recently read an article in the San Diego Union stating that "a three-cell suite is being built for Sirhan...at a state medical facility....".

We were shocked, disgusted, and angered by this news. Since this particular crime was committed "beyond the shadow of a doubt" before numerous witnesses, punishment should have been swift and sure, and if the laws were upheld (those of the Constitution as our forefathers wrote them) it shouldn't have taken longer than 24 hours for the sentence to be carried out.

We are becoming ashamed of a country that has a judicial system that would allow the farce of a trial such as Sirhan's to be carried out - let alone prepare luxurious quarters for him. Something is drastically wrong with a system where justice is not the prime concern, but where the defense is allowed to "win at any cost" and at the taxpayer's expense.

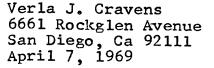
We count it a privilege to live in this country, we think it necessary to pay taxes for this privilege, and after having been a member of the Navy for 23 years (my husband recently retired), we strongly protest the molly-coddling of criminals while we pay for it.

We respectfully request that the laws in this country be reviewed with the thought that the decent people of this land be protected, and the ones who would destroy us, and the criminals be assured of swift and sure punishment.

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Respectfully yours,

MRS. VERLA J. CRAVENS



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Mr Kennetg Hahn Los Angeles County Supervisor Los Angeles,California

Dear Mr Hahn,

The news media have quoted you as saying the 'Sirhan' trial will cost over \$1 million and you feel it is worth every penny. The reports state Los Angeles County must pay the bill. If all this is true, then I am glad you are supervisor in Los Angeles County rather than Brown County, Minnesota. While we are being conditioned to accept large expenditures, this trial cost is a gross mishandling of the taxpayers money.

It will take 2,500 families, working hard, paying an average of \$400 a year in taxes to your county, to pay for this trial. These are the people who obey the law, work hard, save for their kids and for their old age and pay their outrageous taxes. These are the people you should be thinking about . These are the victims of prima donna attorneys and ''I-don't-care'' public officials.

Why will the trial cost \$1,000,000.00?What will the fee for the defense attorney be? What wil the Psychiatrists fees be? Does the DA get extra fees for a case like this and how much?

Sirhan admited killing Senator Kennedy, so what is the fuss? He is a foreigner - no matter what his papers say, and a foregner from a nation of people known for violentand uncontrolled tempers. The United States , in typical childish and big hearted style, opened the doors to too many immigrants from too many countries. This is one result. We not only are allowing all kiddsand colors of immigrants, we IMPORTED millions of Cubans- among who we will find some sabateurs and perhaps assasins. When these people come overhere and assassinate our repepected officials and then we spend \$1,000,000.00 defending them - there is something radically wrong with us and our system.

The Trial is worth about \$10,000.00 and nomore. Who is it that is responsible for this Million dollar trial? Can the defense drag it out to any amount? What if they run it up to \$10 Million dollars? Is there no limit? To me it is a prima donna, getting the spotlight and milking the taxpayer for all he can. I would hope there is some public watchdog who will sue the ones responsible for this waste of taxpayers money. It is time them big spenders are taught a lesson.

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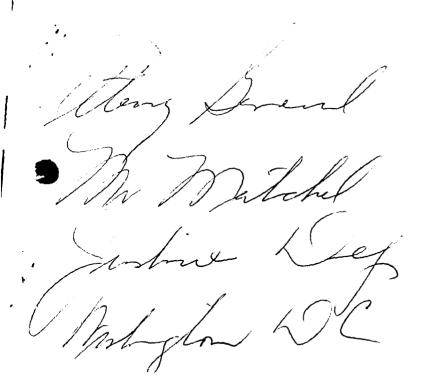
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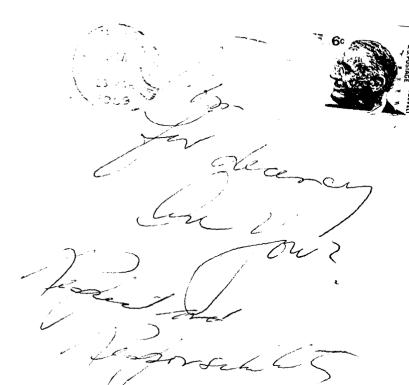
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MRS. SIEGFRIED AFTERGUT · 1063 NOTT STREET SCHENECTADY, N. Y. 12308

Dear President Nixon,

I am a high school serior. I have been closely following the drial of sirhan, serator hennedys assasinator. It is quite obvious that sirhan shot kenedy and that his premeditated action was carried out while he was quite same. Even if he wasn't in his right mind when the killing occurred, the fact still stands that senctor kennedy is dead and that Sirhan shot him. If the reason that the trial is being analyzed out is because the U.S. duesnt want to offend the Arabs, I can terribly shocked and discusted. Appearement of the Arabs will nor penefit the U.S. as has already been demonstrated. I hope that 120-

thus quite obvious drial will soon stop stalling and that the verdict will be resolved. This trial, in my opinion is an open mock to the U.S., being veiwed by the entire world. Sincerely, Susan Aftergut



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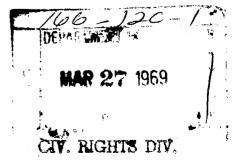
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Mrs. Susan Aftergut 1063 Nott Street Schenectady, New York 12308

Dear Mrs. Aftergut:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter postmarked March 14, 1969. We apologize for our delay in responding.

It would be inappropriate at this time for the Department of Justice to comment on the Sirhan Sirhan case since the trial is currently in progress. If you wish to pursue and you feel it is appropriate, you may wish to contact the Los Angeles County officials who are handling the proceedings.

Sincerely,

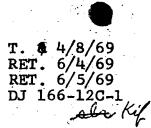
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Honorable John V. Tunney House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressmen Tunney:

This is in reply to your memorandum of March 24, 1969, enclosing a letter from Alphonse Revoir concerning law enforcement and the sentencing of Sirhan Sirhan, Please excuse our delay in responding.

Mr. Revoir is probably already aware that the jury found the defendant guilty of the assassination of Robert F. Kannedy and recommended the death penalty. Since the case is currently on appeal, it would be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the matter.

For your constituent's information, we are enclosing various statements made by the Atterney General and the Deputy Attorney General in expressing their concern for law enforcement.

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Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD Assistant Attorney General Oivil Rights Division

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Congress of the United States

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Yours truly, Incu 1969 MAR M. K. R. -. 0. IV. RIGHTS DIV.

March 14, 69

Dear Sir: --

when a man or a woman commits a murder as Serhan has he should be put away for his natural of and within the fist month of his arrest. This play in our courts is a waist of time and money.

I see by the news that Ray got 99 years this is as good, Now let us see he same thing with Serhan , and anyone that dont respect property. We are far to lenient with all these people.

A police officer used to be respected and feared this is as it should be if they still were we would not have the mobs on the streets and in our schools that we have.

I say clean up the pest holes plug the loop holes in our law that it seems were made for these law breakers.

Then we drive communist and the rest of the gange that are set on overthrowing this nation.

Thank You

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> Mias Elaine Stewart 2109 Castlewood Drive Toledo, Ohio 43613

Dear Elaine:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your correspondence regarding Sirhan Sirhan. Please excuse our delay in responding.

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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.

As you may already be aware, the jury found Sirhan Sirhan guilty of the slaying of Robert F. Kennedy. Since the case is currently on appeal, it would be inappropriate for this Department to comment on its status.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

By:

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 14, 1769

Attorney General Department of Justice Constitution Avenue & 10th Street, NW Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Sir:

The attached letters referred to the Department by the White House appear to contain subject matter that should be handled by your agency.

It would be appreciated if you would send the White House a copy of each reply to the attention of Mr. Frank Matthews, White House Central Files, Room 68, Executive Office Building, Washington, D. C. 20500.

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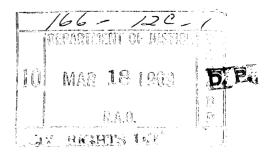
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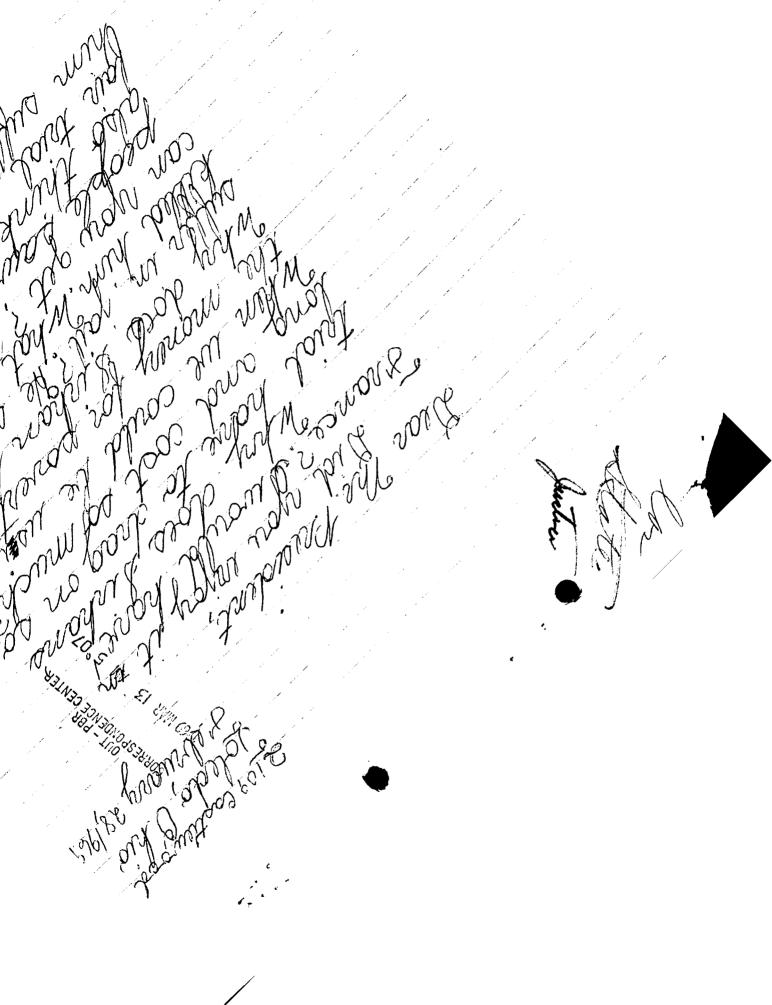
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Mr. Jack Thomas & Miss Joyce Garvin 412 Farmington Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06105

Dear Miss Garvin & Mr. Thomas:

President Mixon has referred to this Department your telegram of March 21, 1969. Please excuse our delay in responding.

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

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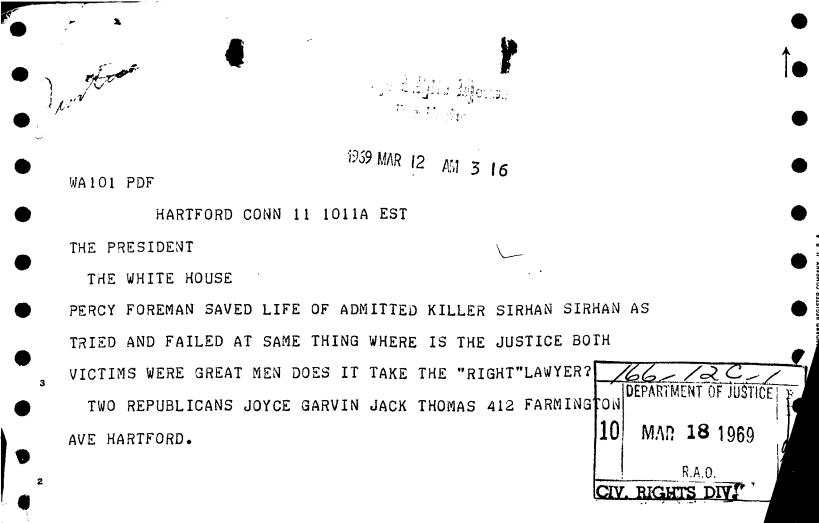
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Mr. Leon Trager 111 University Boulevard West Silver Spring, Maryland 20901

Dear Mr. Trager:

President Nixon has referred to this Department your letter of March 1, 1969. Please excuse our delay in responding.

You can understand that it would be inappropriate at this time for the Department of Justice to comment on the case of Sirhan Sirhan since the trial is currently in progress.

Sincerely,

JERRIS LEONARD Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

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Leon Trager 111 University Blvd., W., Silver Spring, Maryland, 20901 March 1, 1969

The President of the United States of America White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

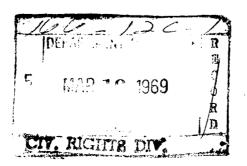
I consider Judge Walker's response to Sirhan's demand for justice (how ironic) a clear example of the injustice of the Judicial branch of our Government today.

How can the law abiding Citizen believe that Justice exists and that it pays to be good under such conditions?

I consider you an honorable man of proper essential convictions, that is why I am writing this letter. I want to live in a good America.

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Respectfully yours Leon



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