UNITED STARS GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Carl W. Belcher, Chief General Crimes Section DATE: June 11, 1975

FROM

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E. Ross Buckley Freedom of Information Control Officer

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request - Don Edwards

Since the attached request appears to involve documents or records maintained by you, or a matter within your cognizance, it is being forwarded to you for reply.

A determination to comply with this request should be made, and a reply sent to the requestor, not later than June 17, 1975.

If a preliminary review reflects that requested records may be located in the files of another division or bureau of the Department, or in the office of a United States Attorney, a copy of the request should be immediately delivered to that unit on an expedited basis. It is suggested that the request be hand delivered by special messenger service within the city or by Airmail Special Delivery.

Please furnish me and Mrs. Hauser with copies of all correspondence related to this request.

Please notify me, at extension 4594, of the name of the attorney who will be handling this request.

Criminal Divison Records has been checked and we note one file on Robert F. Kennedy, #166-12C-1.

cc: Buckley Hauser



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Enclosed herewith is a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, for access to the ten volume summary relating to the Department's investigation of the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy.

Pursuant to 28 CFR  $s^{S}$ 16.5 which took effect on February 19, 1975, the responsible division shall, within ten working days, either comply with or deny a request for records unless unusual circumstances warrant an extension of time.

In cases where additional time is required, extensions shall be granted by the head of the division in increments of five days or less. The requester should be notified of the reasons for the time extension and the date on which a determination is expected.

If the request is denied, the requester should be informed by the head of the responsible division of 1) the exemption (s) authorizing the withholding of the records, 2) how the exemption applies to the record withheld and, where relevant, a brief explanation of why discretionary release is not appropriate, 3) the name and title of the person (s) responsible for the denial, and 4) his right of administrative appeal within 30 days to the Attorney General and the availability of judicial review thereafter.

Copies of all acknowledgements, extension notices, and responses should be forwarded to my office, Room 4212.



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The Honorable Edward H. Levi Attorney General U. S. Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely,

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We are processing your May 23, 1975, letter on hebelf of Mr. Paul Schrade as a Freedom of Laternation Act request. You asked whether or not a ten Volume summary of the Los Angeles Folice Department's investigation into the assassination of Denator Robert P. Kennedy could be made available for inspection by Mr. Schrade and his attorney. Decause of the need to collect the requested records from the Federal Records Center as Well as the apparent fact that your request includes a voluminous amount of records, a determination cannot now be made on whether or not we shall comply with your request. Our target date for a final determination is June 24, 1975, five working days subsequent to the original ten day limit. This extension is made purmuent to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a) (5) (8).

sincerely,

JOHN C. REENEY Acting Assistant Attorney General

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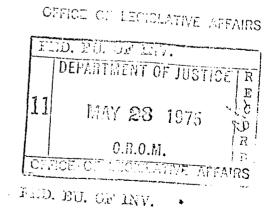
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Mrs. Doris Currie Leonard 1146 North West Street Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Mrs. Leonard:

This is in reply to your correspondence of May 21, 1975, in which you charge that certain persons are obstructing your investigation of the deaths of former President Kennedy and former Senator Kennedy.

10-22-75

This Department has no authority to take the action you request regarding your husband and Senator McGovern.

Sincerely,

J. Stanley Pottinger Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

By:

Maceo W. Hubbard Supervisory Trial Attorney Criminal Section

cc: Records Corres. Hubbard

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AUG 5 1975

Mr. James S. Karns, P.E. 815 North Humboldt Apartment 102 San Mateo, California 94401

Dear Mr. Karns:

This is in reply to your correspondence of April 28, 1975. We apologize for the delay of this response.

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The investigation the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy was, o the best of our knowledge, fully investigated by authoris ies of the State of California and Mr. Sirhan was tried for murder, convicted and sentenced by a California court. It would, therefore, be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the possibility that all available facts were not disclosed to the public or brought out at the trial.

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Sincerely,

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28 April 75

The Hon. Edward Levi Attorney General Dept. of Justice Constitution & 10th, NW Washington, DC 20530

Sir:

As you will note from the enclosed clipping, William F. Buckley, Jr. interviewed Mr. Allard Lowenstein on the former's Firing Line TV program.

It appeared to me that there are a number of areas of further investigation which should be persued in the death of Robert F. Kennedy. Many of these considerations would involve test-firing of several guns and the examination of some lighting panels, etc., as there may have been as many as ten bullets fired.

Supposedly these tests and observations would require a minimum of time and effort, yet there is a reluctance on the part of the Los Angeles District Attorney to resolve the questions that have been raised.

Therefore I urge you to encourage the LAPD and the DA to reexamine the evidence and clarify the points that were discussed on the program.

Very tr<u>uly yo</u>urs, Alues McKarns, P.E. James S. 815 N. Humboldt - 102 San Mateo, CA 94401

#### APRIL 26, 1975

prove he's not guilty. Locke: Sam Groom. Detective Gordon: Larry D. Mann. Harvey Primo: John Evans. Gloria: Helen Shavers.

#### BILLIE JEAN KING SPECIAL

Billie Jean King highlights the career of Canadian world champion figureskater Karen Magnussen.

### HOLLYWOOD SQUARES

Bobby Riggs, Connie Stevens, Florence Henderson, Rob Reiner, John Davidson, Rich Little, Rose Marie, Paul Lynde, Charley Weaver. Host: Peter Marshall

#### 9 FIRING LINE-Buckley

The possibility of a conspiracy in the death of Robert Kennedy is considered by former New York representative Allard Lowenstein and host William F. Buckley Jr. (60 min.)

# HOGAN'S HEROES—Comedy Assignment: persuade Klink to apply for a transfer to Russia. Olga: Ruta Lee. Hogan: Bob Crane. Klink: Werner

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# Saturday



#### SOLAR ENERGY—Documentary 8:00 3 4 6 EMERGENCY!

Gage and DeSoto aid a policeman shot during a liquor-store holdup, and doctors at the hospital search for the source of a young boy's welts and bruises. Gage: Randolph Mantooth. DeSoto: Kevin Tighe. Brackett: Robert Fuller. Dixie: Julie London. Early: Bobby Troup. (Repeat; 60 min.)

### Guest Cast

# Lieutenant Crockett

	James McEachin
Lyla Caine	Brooke Bundy
Sam Sterling	John Elerick
Brock Caine	Denny Miller
Marsha	Jennifer King
Arnie Scott	Cliff Coleman

#### 5 10 16 ALL IN THE FAMILY

To keep Irene and her liberated ideas away from Edith, Archie decides to get his neighbor a full-time job at the factory. But the plan backfires when Irene gets a different job than Archie had in mind. Archie: Carroll O'Connor. Irene: Betty Garrett. Edith: Jean Stapleton. Mike: Rob Reiner. (Repeat)

Does this wrestler fight to kill? Only his police surgeon (Simon Locke) knows for sure. Former tackle **Merlin Olsen** guest stars. POLICE SURGEON 7:30PM



PANA Kennedy



WEEKNIGHTS At 6&11PM



# Saturday

EVENING

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Renegade raiders led by a vengeful ex-Confederate officer kidnap two young boys, the son of a white doctorand the son of a former slave. Caine: David Carradine. (60 min.)

Guest Cast

Major Bealson	L.Q. Jones
Caleb Brown	
Dr. Cooper	Charles Aidman
Sheriff	Charles Haid
Elizabeth	Mae Mercer
Daniel	George Spell
Jimmy	Craig Hundley
Mrs. Wright	
Lieutenant Varnum .	
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E NOVA-Science	

Birds that reportedly chirp in regional dialects are among the specimens studied in "Why Do Birds Sing?" Ornithologists explain that birds sing to attract mates, proclaim territorial rights and warn other birds of impending danger. Some species even learn tunes passed down from parent to offspring. (Repeat; 60 min.)

## B WRESTLING

### D SURVIVAL

Moths wear camouflage to elude their would-be captors in "The Great Deceivers." Species studied include the elephant-hawk moth.

## NIGHT GALLERY

Geraldine Page as a lonely alcoholic who plans to strike back at her exhusband with the reluctant help of a ghost. Charlie Wheatland: Leif Erikson. Joe Wilson: Paul Jenkins. Julie: Barbara Rhoades. Rod Serling is the series host.

# NOVA—Science

"Why Do Birds Sing?" The reasons, according to scientists in this report, include warning other birds of impending danger. (Repeat; 60 min.)

### 8:30 (5) (1) (1) THE JEFFERSONS -Comedy

Louise feels out of place in her fancy new apartment, and George is making matters worse by insisting that she hire a maid. Louise: Isabel Sanford. George: Sherman Hemsley. Lionel: Mike Evans. Helen: Roxie Roker. Tom: Franklin Cover. Jenny: Berlinda Tolbert. Mother Jefferson: Zara Cully. Harry Bentley: Paul Benedict. Guest James S. McKarns, P.E. 815 N. Humboldt - 102 San Mateo, CA 94401



The Hon. Edward Levi Attorney General Dept. of Justice Constitution & 10th, NW Washington, DC 20530

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DEAR SIR, I STREWGLY URGE YOU TO MAKE EVERY EPPORT TO SEE THAT THE TRUTH IS BROUGHT OUT REGARDING THE ASSASSINATION OF RUBERT F, KENNEDY, LET US MAKE THE FACTS CLEAR.

APRIL 27, 1975

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GARY MEGONAN P.O. BOX 621 CAPT. COOK, HI 96704

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# AUG 5 1975

Mr. Paul M. Murphy 129 Gordon Road Schenectady, New York 12306

Dear Mr. Murphy:

President Ford has referred your correspondence of April 25, 1975, to this Department. We apologzie for the delay of this response.

The investigation of the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy was, to the best of our knowledge, fully investigated by authorities of the State of California and Mr. Sirhan was tried for murder, convicted, and sentenced by a California court. It would, therefore, be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the possibility that all available facts were not disclosed to the public or brought out at the trial.

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Maceo W. Hubbard Supervisory Trial Attorney Criminal Section

April 25, 1975

G. R. Ford, President United States of America

Dear President Ford:

Last night former Congressman Allard Lowenstein appeared on William F. Buckley's FIRING LINE program. He made a very compèdling case that there are certain unanswered questions related to the prosecution theory of the R. F. Kennedy murder. He identified a few simple tests of the physical evidence which would go a long way toward resolving these problems one way or the other. He did not appear to be a wild-eyed "kook". He and others attempting to resolve these questions have run into a stone wall of bureaucratic resistance. W. F. Buckley, a natural sceptie if there ever was one, was convinced of the need to try to resolve these questions.

Apparently, the Attorney General of the U.S. has the authority to break-up the bureaucratic log jam. Will you instruct him to help resolve these uncertainties in this very important case?

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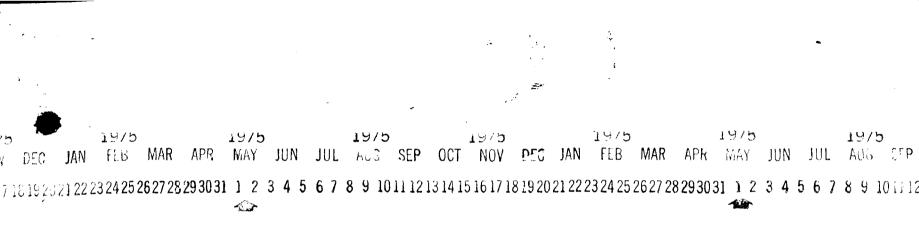




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Washington D.C.



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то	Assistant Attorney General CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION	date: 3/28/75

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; SIRHAN B. SIRHAN - VICTIM CIVIL RIGHTS

Reference is made to \_\_\_\_\_ memorandum dated \_\_\_\_\_ (your file \_\_\_\_\_ ).

There is enclosed one copy of the **xepoxtxof Special Agent** <u>letterhead</u> memorandum dated <u>3/24/75</u> at <u>Los Angeles</u>.

A. This covers the preliminary investigation and no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B. The investigation is continuing and you will be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C. \_\_\_ The investigation requested by you has now been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further inquiries will be made by this Bureau.

E. 
Please advise whether you desire any further investigation.

F.  $\Box$  This is submitted for your information and you will be advised of further developments.

H. XXX This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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Los Angeles, California March 24, 1975

# UNKNOWN SUBJECT SIRHAN B. SIRHAN - VICTIM CIVIL RIGHTS

On March 19, 1975, Assistant Director William A. Sullivan, of the Los Angeles Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Los Angeles, California, received a letter dated March 14, 1975, from George C. Thomson, of 1528 Canada Boulevard, Glendale, California 91208 (telephone 241-6085). A Xerox duplication of that letter is attached as Page two. Mr. Thomson forwarded a carbon copy of the same letter to Special Agent Gilbert G. Benjamin, in which Thomson enclosed two Xerox duplicated documents. The first, titled, "THE CHAPPAQUIDDICK COVERUP," is attached as Pages three and four. The second, titled, "CONSPIRACY REPORT NO. 1 (3-13-75)," is attached as Pages five through seven. In each of these letters, Thomson enclosed a printed business card, one Xerox copy of which is attached as Page eight.

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George C. Thomson Registered Civil Engineer

SWIMMING POOLS

STRUCTURAL DESIGN OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

MAILING ADDRESS P. O. BOX 489 GLENDALE, CALIF. 91209

1528 CANADA BLVD. GLENDALE, CALIF. 91208 241-6035 — 242-0722 March 14, 1975

Mr. William Sullivan Chief Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation 11000 Wilshire Blvd. West Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I am hereby requesting under Section 241 Title 18 of the U. S. Code, and under other applicable laws, that you proceed immediately to prosecute all persons responsible for the conspiracy to violate the civil rights of Sirhan B. Sirhan who is being held in San Quentin prison for a murder for which he was not responsible.

Information available to me shows that Senator Robert F. Kennedy lived until July 19, 1969 at which time he died by drowning on Chappaquiddick Island in Massasachusetts.

The alleged murder of Robert Kennedy was on June 5, 1968. Mr. Sirhan could not possibly have killed the Senator under these circumstances.

All information which I possess to substantiate my charge will be made available to you at your request.

Please advise me of your action as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

cc: Gilbert Benjamin Special agent of the F. B. I.

GCT/dd

# THE CHAPPAQUIDDICK COVERUP

In the early morning hours of July 19, 1969, a Deputy Sheriff named Christoper Look was driving home. travelling east on Chappaquiddick road from the Edgartown Ferry on Chappaquiddick Island in Massachusetts. Look came to a sharp right turn in the road, where the road intersected a dirt road called Dike Road, which continued straight in the same direction Look was travelling.

Look slowed to make the right turn and he noticed a car driving northeast on School Road toward him at the same intersection. As Look slowed to almost a stop, the other car, instead of negotiating the turn on to Chappaquiddick Road toward Edgartown, drove straight ahead and stopped on a narrow sand road leading to a cemetery. As the car passed in front of Look's headlights, he saw it was a black sedan and that there appeared to be a man and a woman in the front seat, and what appeared to be some clothing in the rear.

Look turned the corner and stopped about sixty feet from the other car, stepped out of his station wagon and walked back along the center line toward the car which was stopped at the entrance to the ancient cemetery. As he was about thirty-five feet away, the car quickly reversed, made a 90° right turn and headed towards Dike Bridge and the beach, the car disappeared at high speed in a cloud of dust. It was approximately 12:45 AM.

The black sedan travelled three-quarters of a mile and, at high speed, struck some ruts in the road in front of the wooden bridge, lost control and flipped over the right side into about nine feet of water. The car came to rest with the engine toward the bridge and the rear of the car at an elevated position. The two occupants of the car were upside down with water pouring into the only open window next the the driver's left arm. The driver drowned almost immediately and the young girl scrarbled into the rear seat as the water rose around her. She soon alscovered that in the upside down position, the elevated section of the floor of the rear section of the car trapped sufficient air that, by grasping the upside down seat, she was able to breathe.

The position of her drowned companion prevented her escape from the only open window; and she survived for approximately two hours. Shortly before 3 AM, or thereabouts, she expired from shock, exposure and lack of oxygen.

The girl was identified as Mary Jo Kopechne, secretary to Senator Robert F. Kennedy, who alledgedly was murdered by Sirhan B. Sirhan in Los Angeles, approximately one year and one month earlier.

When rescuers pulled the girls body from the car at 9 o'clock the next morning, the driver of the vehicle was not there.

Who was he and where had his body gone? When the car was pulled from the water, the front windshield which took the full

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impact of the fall from the bridge was cracked but not broken in.

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Both windows on the passenger side, which were smaller and did not receive such a force as did the windshield, were broken out to their frames.

Who was responsible for removing the glass from these windows? What was the purpose? Was the driver's body removed in the night and if so why was Miss Kopechne left inside the car?

What was the driver's identity? Why conceal both his body and his name?

At approximately 9 AM, the same morning, a strange conversation occured at the Edgartown Ferry crossing at the time the paramedic was taking the body from the submerged car.

Three men boarded the ferry for the short trip across the narrow struit joining Edgartown Harbor with Katama Bay.

When the ferry docked at the Chappaquiddick terminal, one of the men, Mr. Tony Bettencourt, went up to Senator Ted Kennedy and asked, "Senator. they just took a dead girl our of your car, do you want a ride up the the bridge?" "No", said Kennedy, "I'm going over to town."

Another man named Hewitt said loudly, "Senator Kennedy, are you aware of the accident?"

One of Kennedy's companions said, "Yes, we just heard about it."

It seems to me that this was quite true, since I am fully convinced that the driver of the car was Robert Kennedy, not Ted Kennedy.

What was this terrible secret that forced the Senator from Massachuserts to take the blame for an accident which involved his brother; the former-Senator from New York?

I am sure it is not necessary to overstate this case. It is better to leave the police work where it belongs, and hopefully, the Los Angeles police and the Edgartown authorities, will rise to the occasion and perform their duty.

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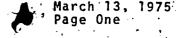
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# CONSPIRACY REPORT NO. 1 (3-13-75)

Mrs. Sam "Casey" Gordon, deceased, told me approximately ten (10) years ago, that she had a woman as a house guest for approximately one year. The woman's name was Phyllis McGuire, a friend of Sam Giancana, a reputed mobster.

Casey told both my wife and I, that Marilyn Monroe had coincidentally appeared at the Seattle Worlds Fair, and in Reno, Nevada, when Senator Robert Kennedy had appeared at these locations with his family. She said that when Giancana came to Palm Springs, Miss McGuire made herself immediately available to him.

Casey lived on Crescent Drive, next to my house at 769 Crescent, which is now leased. I learned from other sources that Sam Gordon, Casey's husband was a boyhood friend of Jack Ruby, the original Jack Ruby from Chicago. I was told by a different source that Ruby was found shot to death in a barrel, and that the Dallas Ruby was an imposter.

Recent news accounts have charged that Sam Giancana employed one Johnny Roselli to make repeated attempts on Fidel Castro's life. These attempts were allegedly made at the approximate time of the Bay of Pigs invasion. (April 17, 1961)

When Roselli appeared for sentencing from a conviction resulting from a card cheating case, Roselli reportedly asked for leniency due to his participation in the Castro affair. The Judge said he did not deserve any "brownie points" for this and sentenced him to prison anyway.

The press at present, has mounted a campaign of accusation against Federal agencies with respect to their possible participation in political assassinations.

In my opinion, these accusations are not entirely justified, and I will tell you why.

I have firmly established that both Kennedy "assassinations" " resulted in the death of persons other than President John Kennedy and Senator Robert Kennedy. With this in mind let me proceed:

The occurence of two fake assassinations lends credence to the thought, that they were engineered in order to conceal those responsible for actual assassinations and assassination attempts.

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In any criminal investigation, motive and timing should never be discounted.

The press is now suggesting that Fidel Castro had President Kennedy shot in retaliation for the attempts on his life.

We now know that this was not the case.

Let us suppose, that the disappearance from public life by President Kennedy was in fact, due to possible exposure of the

Copyrighted 1975 George C. Thomson attempts on Castro's life and other domestic disclosures related thereto.

The press stated at first that two Massachusetts men, (Edelman and Walinsky), who were associates of RFK had stated that RFK had stopped the attempts on Castro's life. The next day the press said this was not the case, that it was President Kennedy who stopped the operation.

The facts are that the operation did take place and that there were six attempts to kill Castro, one of which resulted in the loss of a boat by gunfire.

It is of interest that Roselli's lawyer was Grant Cooper, who immediately following the Rosellis case, represented Sirhan Sirhan, for the alleged "murder" of RFK.

It is apparent that a complete understanding of the Friars Club Card Cheating Case (Roselli) was of paramount importance in dealing with Sirhan.

Now let us look at the fake assassination of RFK. When the true facts of this case were revealed on KUSC Radio (Rap Line, Lowell Ponte, April 24, 1970), a law suit was filed by one Ted Charach, that a plumber from Lockheed did the Senator in.

Time went by and following a discussion at Glendale Colllege on June 5, 1974, that contained some very convincing information, Los Angeles was again invaded, this time from Massachusetts and New York.

A former New York Congressman, Allard Lowenstein, teamed with a man from UNCLE on KABC Radio to again advance "The Plumber in the Pantry", theory of political assassination.

Their intellectual discourse on two way radio was disturbed by a caller who called their attention to the coroner report which described the deceased in other physical dimensions than the good Senator from New York possessed. At ording to the Los Angeles Times, RFK was positively shot in the pantry of an old hotel on Wilshire Blvd., on June 5, 1968. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

"Another invitation to Glendale College on Febduary 25, 1975, blew a lot of covers, to coin a phrase. It was pointed out that Allard Lowenstein, the advocate of assassination by plumber had employed a secretary who had participated in the joyful reunion with RFK at Chappaquiddick Island on July 19, 1969, thirteen months after RFK was supposed to have been laid to rest after his funeral in St. Patrick's Cathe 'al.

One thing led to another and it was soon apparent that in 1969, when bodies were arriving at Travis Air Force Base from Vietnam, Bobby was enjoying the good life at Chappaquiddick playground. Bobby's driving ability soon altered this injustice however, and he landed upside down with his mouth full of sea water, at Poucha Pond. Thus ended the saga of the New Frontier and the Mystery of Camelot.

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On Channel 13 Los Angeles, a man of rapid voice named, Mort Sahl teamed with this above mentioned man from UNCLE on the night of March 12, 1975 and prepared the American uninitiated and uninformed public with the coming disclosure that the pantry gunfire resulted from blank cartridges, but to no one's suprise, he hung on tenaciously to the libel of the plumbing industry at Lockheed Aircraft Company in Burbank.

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# UNKNOWN SUBJECT SIRHAN B. SIRHAN - VICTIM

Indices of the Los Angeles Division of the FBI indicate that from 1964 to the present, Mr. Thomson has made numerous complaints to this division of the FBI, by telephone, mail, or in person. Most of these complaints have dealt with the theme that President John F. Kennedy was not shot in Dallas, Texas; that Senator Robert F. Kennedy was not killed at the Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles; that there was an erroneous identification in the shooting of Governor George C. Wallace; and that attempted aircraft hijackings from 1970 through March 1972 were the responsibility of Arab guerrillas. Additional information from several different individuals indicates that they too were contacted by Mr. Thomson with similar complaints.

On October 12, 1964, Thomson telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Division of the FBI at which time he wanted to report he had in his employment a man from South America whose name he felt the FBI should have in its files. He said he considered the individual completely loyal to the United States but "in view of his foreign connections" thought his name should be in the possession of the FBI. At that time Thomson continued, "Sometimes I think the Russians are reading my mind, because things I think in solitude I read later in the mewspapers."

In the fall of 1967, a United States Senator furnished the FBI with a copy of a communication from Thomson in which the latter indicated that after three years investigation he had satisfied himself "that the insane lunatic who shot and killed at least six people that day" (the day President Kennedy was shot in Dallas) was none other than the then Vice President, Lyndon B. Johnson. Thomson's letter continued, "Let the Department of Justice state publicly that I am wrong. To bad, They do not dare to beacuse they cannot. They have the power, but I have the truth."

On July 30, 1970, George C. Thomson called this office to advise that based on his analysis of the autopsy of the victim of the shooting at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, he was of the opinion that Senator Robert F. Kennedy was not dead, and that Sirhan B. Sirhan was not guilty. He said he based his conclusions on the alleged paths of the bullets and the direction in which they were supposed to have been fired.

On August 6, 1970, another source who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that he had overheard George C. Thomson state publicly, "President John F. Kennedy was never assassinated in Dallas, Texas. The person shot in that car was a JFK double."

## UNKNOWN SUBJECT SIRHAN B. SIRHAN - VICTIM

During an interview in connection with another official investigation in May 1974, the person being interviewed reported he had received a telephone call during the morning of May 21, 1974, by an individual who introduced himself as George Thomson, Consulting Engineer, of Glendale, California. This source questioned Thomson's mental stability, on the basis of allegations the latter made regarding "a conspiracy by the FBI and the police to do away with the Symbionese Liberation Army", a characterization of which is appended hereto, and Thomson's comment on "thought control." He said that Thomson had indicated he became aware of a "new medical theory regarding 'thought control' which involved a surgical technique applied onto an ear."

## APPENDIX

## SYMBIONESE LIBERATION ARMY

The Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) was reportedly formed in the Summer of 1973, in California. An SLA document captioned, "Declaration of Revolutionary War and the Symbionese Program," dated 8/21/73, states " . . . Therefore, we of the Symbionese Federation of the SLA . . . do now, by the rights of our children and people and by force of arms and with every drop of our blood, declare revolutionary war against the fascist, capitalist class. We support by force of arms the just struggles of all oppressed people for self-determination and independence within the United States and the world, and hereby offer to all liberation movements, revolutionary workers' groups and peoples' organizations our total aid and support for the struggle for freedom and justice for all people and races . . The SLA has claimed credit for the 11/6/73 assassination of Dr. Marcus Foster, Oakland, California, School Superintendent; the 2/4/74 kidnaping of Patricia Campbe 1 Hearst, daughter of newspaper publisher-owner Randolph A. Hearst; and the 4/15/74 robbery of the Hibernia Bank, San Francisco, California, in the furtherance of its revolutionary objectives. Six members of the SLA were involved in a shoot-out with the FBI and Los Angeles, California, police on 5/17/74, resulting in their deaths. Although no current information has been developed indicating the group has been active in areas other than California, other groups and individuals have surfaced claiming adherence to the SLA's revolutionary tenets.

APPENDIX

February 14, 1975

Honorable Jacob K. Javits United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Javits:

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> Your correspondence of February 10, 1975, has been received by the Office of Legislative Affairs. This inquiry pertains to the letter of Richard Shapiro.

Because of its specific nature, I have referred your request to J. Stanley Pottinger, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., and asked that office to reply directly to you.

If I can be of additional assistance in this matter, please call upon me.

Sincerely,

A. Mitchell McConnell, Jr. Acting Assistant Attorney General

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Honorable Jacob K. Javits United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

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Dear Senator Javits:

This is in response to your February 10, 1975 referral of a letter from Michard Shapiro which request that you take some action in getting the Robert F. Kennedy assassination matter re-opened.

This matter was, to the best of our knowledge, fully investigated by authorities of the State of California and Mr. Sirken was tried for murder, convicted and sentenced by a California court. It would, therefore, be inappropriate for this Department to commont on the possibility that all available facts were not disclosed to the public or at the triel of the case.

We can only suggest that Mr. Shapiro direct his inquiries to the appropriate authorities of the State of Celifornia.

Your enclosure is returned herewith.

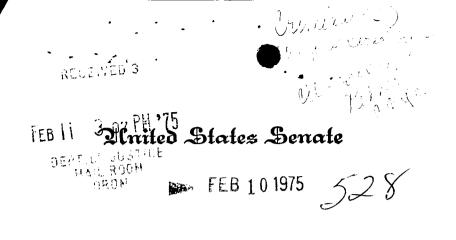
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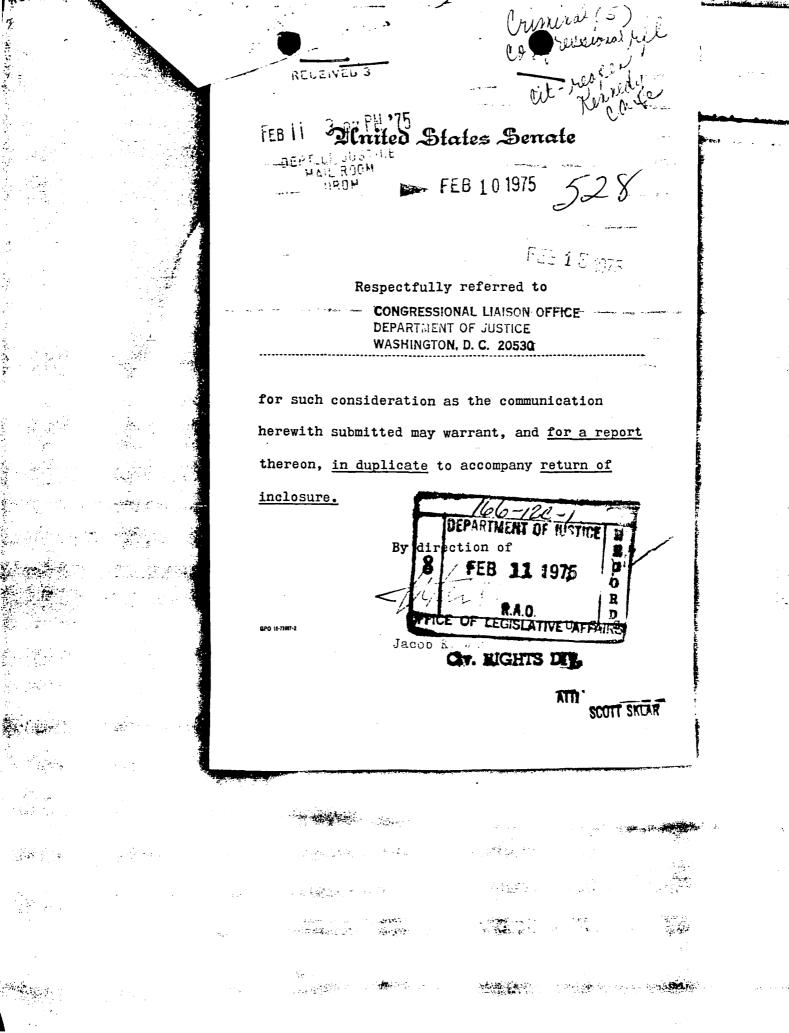
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Jan. 28, 1975

Senator Javits,

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Yours truly,

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Robert Kennedy munder every to reopend. I agree with Mr. Lowenstein that there are certain questions that must be looked into. I believe that many of my fellow countrymen and women share these suspicions. What seemed like paronoia ten years ago seems at least plausible today.

I'm writing in support of Allard Lovenster

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January 24, 1975

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Honorable John Y. McCollister House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

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Dear Congressman McCollister:

The Attorney General has asked me to acknowledge and thank you for your correspondence of January 21, 1975, pertaining to the letter of James V. Armstrong.

Because of its specific nature, I have referred your request to J. Stanley Pottinger, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., and have asked that office to reply directly to you.

If I can be of additional assistance in this matter, please call upon me.

Sincerely,

W. Vincent Rakestraw Assistant Attorney General

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Honorable John Y. McCollister House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

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This matter was, to the best of our knowledge, fully investigated by authorities of the State of California and Mr. Sirhan was tried for murder, convicted and sentenced by a California court. It would, therefore, be inappropriate for this Department to comment on the possibility that all available facts were not disclosed to the public or at the trial of the case.

We can only suggest that Mr. Armstrong direct his inquiries to the appropriate authorities of the State of California.

Your enclosure is returned herewith.

Sincerely,

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Congress of the United States

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Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly, Marine,

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Letter from J. Armstrong

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Mr. John Y. McCollister Federal Building 215 N. 17th St. Omaha, Neb. 68137

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Dear Mr. McCollister,

Something has just come to my attention that I think is of the utmost importance regarding the future of the United States of America, and every man, woman, and child living in it. Please do not take lightly what I am about to say. I am not a "nut" or political "screwball" and am writing to you as I don't know who else will listen and be able to take action.

About five minutes ago my wife and I finished watching the "Tom Snyder prgram", "TOMORROW" and the subject was the Robert Kennedy assasination. Toms guest was a Mr. Al Lowenstein, I believe he is an attourney, and a man who I believe is the District Attorney for the city of Los Angeles, California, Mr. Joe Busch.

Mr. Lowenstein has what I feel are some very good questions regarding the assasination, pertaining to inaccuracies in the investigation. One of the points was, "How come there are twelve different bullet holes both in persons and building when the revolver used capacity was only eight rounds?" "Why are there two different bullet types in those recovered if in fact only one gun was used"? "If in fact Sen. Kennedy was shot three times from the rear at a very close range, (one or two inches) why did the witnesses, over fifty, not see Sirhan behind him but rather from two to four feet as per testimony?" Mr. Lowenstein had what I feel are more questions that seem to be unanswered. Until this point in the program it was just plain interesting.

Mr. Busch was in California and not in the New York studios so a telephone hook-up was utilized with the purpose Mr. Busch as a key figure in this investigation and trial, answer some of these questions. Obviously, Mr. Busch and Mr. Lowenstein have encountered before because the very first thing Mr. Busch did was to throw a critical remark toward Mr. Lowenstein. Mr. McCollister, the thing that really has me literally "shook-up" is the fact that Mr. Busch could not answer even one of Mr. Lowensteins questions, not one. All Mr. Busch did was to re-assert the decisions as they had come out, all the time being in my opinion very defensive about himself and his department.

Mr. McCollister, I do not write to my congressman regularly. In fact, I wrote you once a year ago regarding the fuel crisis and its effect on general aviation of which I am apart. I never expected a reply from you but I got one and for that I think you are one hell of a man. Thanks. Please take some kind of action to get this assasination case re-opened. There is just too much unanswered that I can let it go by without action on my part. Can I help you to get this done? Should I write to someone else? Please let me hear from you once again and I ask that it be as soon as possible. If you didn't see the program obtain a tape from NBC and I think you too will be "shook-up".

Sincerely, Farmer & Climetrum

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