

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/4/68

Mr. ROBERT J. DONOVAN, a reporter with the "Los Angeles Times", Room 730, 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., advised that he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, about May 27, 1968, and was there to cover the California primary and to report on related political stories.

Mr. DONOVAN said that he received word of the assassination of Senator KENNEDY while he was in the editorial office of the Times Building located on the third floor across the street from City Hall.

Mr. DONOVAN said that he did not ever recall hearing the name SIRHAN and never heard anyone speak of a possible conspiracy in connection with the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. He said that he departed the hotel shortly after the killing and could furnish no information whatsoever regarding the events leading up to the assassination.

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On 10/2/68 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 173-135
by SA SIDNEY H. ROCHE:acd Date dictated 10/2/68
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 10, 1968

Mr. RICHARD BRUCE DOUGHTY, 2604 Bridgeport Way,
Sacramento, California, furnished the following information:

He is employed by KCRA Television Station, Sacramento, California, and was in Los Angeles, California, at the campaign headquarters of Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY. He did not return to the Ambassador Hotel until approximately the time that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. He came in the front entrance of the Hotel Ambassador and noted nothing out of the ordinary. It was as he entered, however, that he heard that the senator had just been shot. He had not heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and has no knowledge of a conspiracy in the shooting.

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On 10/3/68 at Sacramento, California File # SC 62-76

by SA NORMAN P. LE CLAIR/sy Date dictated 10/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 10/15/68

JAMES J. DUNN, Forbes Magazine, 60 5th Avenue, advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, he registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and had dinner and immediately went to his room which was located in a set of cottages behind the main hotel. He did not know that Senator KENNEDY had been assassinated until the next morning and did not have any information as to the conspiracy concerning the assassination of Senator KENNEDY.

He stated that RICHARD BROWN was his projectionist for a display he was putting on for his company. He believed BROWN can be located through GENE LIGHT of Life Magazine telephone number 556-2414.

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On 10/11/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640

by SA VINCENT P. DOHERTY/pr Date dictated 10/14/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/15/68

Walter Durham, Wain, Shiell and Sons, Incorporated, 666 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York, advised that on June 4, 1968, he was not at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. He said he returned to New York City approximately two days prior to the murder of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said he recalled listening to the news broadcast on the radio concerning the shooting and that he was in New York City at the time.

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On 11/6/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640
by SA WILLIAM J. ROEMER/mju Date dictated 11/12/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/3/681

Mr. JAMES S. EASTHAM, 16 Alden Road, Andover, Massachusetts, provided the following information:

He and his wife were guests at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, until shortly after breakfast on June 5, 1968, when they left by train for San Francisco to get the President Line Ship, Cleveland, for a trip to Japan. Neither of them were aware that ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot until they arrived in San Francisco and had a hard time obtaining a paper.

He has absolutely no information concerning the shooting of KENNEDY; he is in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy; they do not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, and he did not see KENNEDY or SIRHAN at the hotel.

On 9/26/68 at Andover, Massachusetts File # Boston 44-646

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by SA CARL J. EVENSEN/mrd Date dictated 9/26/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/3/681

Mrs. JAMES S. EASTHAM, 16 Alden Road, Andover, Massachusetts, provided the following information:

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She has absolutely no information concerning the shooting of KENNEDY; she is in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy; they do not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, and she did not see KENNEDY or SIRHAN at the hotel.

On 9/26/68 at Andover, Massachusetts File # Boston 44-646

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by SA CARL J. EVENSEN/mrd Date dictated 9/26/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/17/681.

Mr. PETER W. ECCLES, telephone number 676-8000, 47 Burnside Drive, New York, New York, advised telephonically that he was in Los Angeles on June 6, 1968 and on June 5, 1968 at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated. Mr. ECCLES stated that he was working on the campaign of ROBERT F. KENNEDY but that he could furnish no information concerning any unusual persons he saw at the period prior to the assassination of Senator KENNEDY and he was unable to furnish any information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN.

On 10/15/68 at New York, New York File# NY 44-1640

by SA HERBERT W. KILGORE/axb Date dictated 10/16/68

1 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONDate 10/4/68

RICHARD ELFENBEIN, 355 Webster Drive, New Milford, New Jersey, on September 25, 1968, advised he is the Administrator, Information Programs, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), Dayton, New Jersey. He was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, with other IBM employees to observe IBM election equipment functioning during the Los Angeles County primary elections. He left the Ambassador Hotel about 4 p.m. June 4, 1968, and was at the IBM building located nearby until about 8:30 a.m. June 5, 1968.

At no time during his stay at the Ambassador Hotel did he observe any suspicious activities which he believed were connected with the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

ELFENBEIN could not recall seeing any person resembling the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in the vicinity of the Ambassador Hotel at any time.

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On 9/25/68 at Dayton, N.J.
by SA JOHN WALTER SADE/nbm

File # Newark 44-372
10/1/68

by _____ Date dictated _____

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/22/68

ROY C. ELIFF, Box 3348, Houston, Texas, advised that he is employed at the Falcon Seaboard Drilling Company, 3701 Allen Parkway, Houston, Texas.

ELIFF advised that he and his family flew to Los Angeles, California from Houston, Texas on June 2, 1968. He advised that MIKE MC CALEB also of Houston, Texas was on the same flight. ELIFF said he checked into the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles with his family and subsequently checked out of that hotel the day before Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot at the Ambassador Hotel. He and his family checked into the Cavalier Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. ELIFF advised that he was not at the Ambassador Hotel when Senator KENNEDY was shot and that he knows absolutely nothing about the matter except what he later learned from newspapers and television.

10/16/68

Houston, Texas

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File #

SA F. WILLIAM WHATLEY, JR./sjm

10/18/68

by

Date dictated

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 2, 1968

Mr. H. F. ESTABROOK, Assistant Administrator,
Mills Memorial Hospital, 100 South San Mateo Drive,
advised as follows:

On June 4, 1968, he was registered at the
Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, but he checked out that
afternoon, and took a 6:30 p.m. plane to San Francisco.

While at the hotel he did not go to the KENNEDY
headquarters nor did he see anyone around the hotel
resembling SIRHAN. He knows nothing concerning any
conspiracy in connection with the assassination of Senator
KENNEDY.

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On 9/30/68 at San Mateo, California File # SF 62-5481
by SA GEORGE HARTLEY/ j1 Date dictated 10/1/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date November 19, 19681

JOHN FARMER, Managing Editor, "Newark News", Washington, D. C., Bureau, who resides at 3162 Musket Court, Fairfax, Virginia, telephonically advised as follows:

He stated that he was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 5, 1968, and had registered at that hotel approximately three days previous. He advised that he was covering the Presidential Campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY for his newspaper, "Newark News".

FARMER said that he was in the Embassy Ballroom at the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot and killed. He stated that he did not hear the shots nor did he see the alleged assassin, SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, at the time of the shooting; however, he did observe SIRHAN being escorted from the room by the police and security guards.

FARMER further advised that he had no information concerning SIRHAN's possible involvement in a conspiracy nor did he observe SIRHAN at the hotel prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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On 11/6/68 at Alexandria, Virginia File # Richmond 62-2248
Los Angeles 56-156
by SA RICHARD D. BATISTE, JR.:sw Date dictated 11/12/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 7, 1968

SUSAN FARMER, 1103 4th Street Southeast, Room 4, advised that she formerly resided at 1912 22nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and was a roommate of NANCY A. WIEBOLD. Miss FARMER stated that she, too, is a student at the University of Minnesota, and she, too, dropped out of school during the spring quarter in order to work on the campaign of Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY. Miss FARMER stated that when ROBERT F. KENNEDY announced his candidacy, she and her roommate left the MC CARTHY group and went to work for Senator KENNEDY.

Miss FARMER stated that she was in Los Angeles approximately two weeks prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY working as a stenographer for the KENNEDY force. Miss FARMER stated that at the time of the shooting she was outside the hotel with NANCY A. WIEBOLD helping to organize a motorcade. She stated that she did not hear the shots and did not know there had been a shooting until she saw a man helping another man get in a car. At this point she heard someone say: hurry get him to the hospital; he has been shot. Miss FARMER stated that they did not know that Senator KENNEDY had been shot until sometime later. She stated that the only time she ever saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN was when she saw the police taking him out of the hotel. Miss FARMER stated that she does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN B. SIRHAN around the Ambassador Hotel and definitely does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN B. SIRHAN with anyone except the police.

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On 9/25/68 at Minneapolis, Minnesota File # MP 56-61

by SA CARL S. LESTOR:lkp Date dictated 10/1/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/10/68

Mrs. EMMA FAUST, 7670 N.W. 11th Court, West Hollywood, Florida, advised that she and a traveling companion Mrs. ETHEL GILBERT of Coral Gables, Florida, traveled via Greyhound Tours, Chicago, to Los Angeles, California, and were registered guests at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on June 4, 1968. Their room was located in the guest rooms on the periphery of the Ambassador Hotel.

She and Mrs. GILBERT spent the evening in the lobby of the hotel, but because of the bedlam and very noticeable heavy drinking by the younger people in the lobby, they decided to leave at about 11:00 PM and went directly to their room.

At about 12:15 to 12:30 AM they heard a radio report of the shooting of the late Senator KENNEDY; this was their first knowledge of the incident. She stated that she has no knowledge of a possible conspiracy involving SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, does not know SIRHAN, and did not see him about the hotel in the evening of June 4, 1968. She further advised that she naturally discussed the situation at length with Mrs. GILBERT who also has no knowledge of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

She advised the above is the extent of her personal involvement in the situation and she can offer absolutely no information of interest in this matter.

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On 10/4/68 at West Hollywood, Florida File # Miami 44-1880

by SA DENNIS J. O'SHEA/kmm Date dictated 10/10/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/7/68

Mr. CLIFFORD FELLOWS, 9062 Hillcrest, Livonia, Michigan, advised that he is employed by the Ford Motor Company in Livonia, Michigan.

Mr. FELLOWS stated that he was a guest in the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968. He stated he was in Los Angeles on business and was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel for just one night and was not in the hotel at the time of the shooting. He stated he was in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy and is not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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On 11/5/68 at Detroit, Michigan File # Detroit 56-149
by SA ROBERT M. SMITH/lmo Date dictated 11/7/68

Date 9/25/68

Miss BRENDA FIHALEY, Clerk, Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, 1110 Grand, Kansas City, Missouri, furnished credit records concerning EDWARD A. THOMSON, 6931 West 87th Street, Apartment 2507E, Overland Park, Kansas. The credit records contain a newspaper clipping from the Kansas City Star, on July 24, 1968, showing that EDWARD A. THOMSON, age 73, Administrator of Wesleyan Hospital, died yesterday, apparently of a heart attack, at the Blue Cross - Blue Shield Building, 3637 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri. The record shows he was Administrator of the hospital for three years and previously resided in St. Joseph, Missouri, for five years. THOMSON was past president of the American Hospital Association, and was past Lieutenant Governor of the 9th District of Kiwanis International, and secretary of the Overland Park Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

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On 9/20/68 at Kansas City, Missouri File # KC 62-8651
LA 56-156
by SA RAY HOMESLEY (lib) Date dictated 9/23/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 10, 1968

Mr. BERNARD JOSEPH FITZPATRICK, 4345 Rio Tinto Avenue, Sacramento, California, advised the following:

He is Special Assistant to the State Superintendent of Schools, Sacramento, California, and active in the U. S. Senatorial campaign for Dr. MAX RAFFERTY.

On June 4, 1968, he and his wife were registered guests at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. At approximately 11:45 he and his wife accompanied Dr. RAFFERTY and his wife to the Venetian Room of the hotel where Dr. RAFFERTY addressed his campaign workers. At approximately 12:15 a.m., June 5, 1968, a member of Dr. RAFFERTY's Executive Committee rushed up to the stage where Dr. RAFFERTY was speaking and advised that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had just been shot. A cordon of people immediately formed around Dr. RAFFERTY and escorted him, via the stairs, to a room on one of the floors above. He did not recall which room it was. They remained in this room until about 2:30 or 2:45 am., at which time he and Dr. RAFFERTY, along with their wives were escorted by officers of the Los Angeles Police Department to a two bedroom apartment located approximately one and one-half blocks from the Ambassador Hotel. They remained there until 7:00 or 7:30 a.m., June 5, 1968, at which time they returned to Sacramento.

At no time during the evening of June 4, 1968 did he see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. He had never heard of SIRHAN prior to the shooting and has no knowledge of the existence of a conspiracy in the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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On 9/30/68 at Sacramento, California File # SC 62-76

by SA NORMAN P. LE CLAIR/sy Date dictated 10/4/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/17/68

Mr. DAVID FOX, 620 West 239th Street was contacted and advised that he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California on June 4-5, 1968. He stated that he is employed for the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), and at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot, FOX was in the Embassy Ballroom but he could not furnish any information concerning a possible conspiracy in connection with this matter.

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On 10/15/68 at Bronx, New York File # NY 44-1640

by SA PAUL M. CONRAD/fa Date dictated 10/16/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/2/68

Mr. HARRY FRISCH, 1331 Millbrook Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah, telephone number 295-0894, was contacted at his home.

Mr. FRISCH stated that on June 4, 1968, he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. He stated he is a traveling salesman and was in Los Angeles on that occasion on business matters.

Mr. FRISCH said that on June 4, 1968, he left the Ambassador Hotel before 6:00 p.m. in order to have dinner at the home of some relatives in the Los Angeles area. He said he returned to the hotel at approximately midnight on that date and went immediately to his hotel room. Prior to retiring for the night, he was watching television in his hotel room and learned at that time of the killing of Senator KENNEDY in the hotel.

Mr. FRISCH said he cannot recall having seen SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in the area of the hotel and can furnish no information at all relating to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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On 9/27/68 at Salt Lake City, Utah File # Salt Lake City 62-2694

by SA WILLIAM J. GEIERMANN/mhe Date dictated 9/30/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date September 26, 1968

KATHRYNE GABLE, 209 Shirley Drive, Florence, Alabama, advised that she and her sister, KATHLEEN BULLARD, checked into the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on Sunday, June 2, 1968, and checked out of that hotel about mid-afternoon on June 4, 1968. They went to Las Vegas, Nevada, where they stayed at the Sands Hotel and the next morning they learned of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

GABLE stated she could not recall having seen SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in Los Angeles at any time and she knew of nothing which might relate to a possible conspiracy.

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On 9/24/68 at Florence, Alabama File # BH 44-1772
by SA ERVIN B. BRUNINGA:jam Date dictated 9/25/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/21/681

LEO GALE, Salesman, Bulova Watch Company, Inc., New York, New York, advised that he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968, however, he remained in his room on the night that Senator KENNEDY was killed and he could offer no information concerning the shooting or concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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On 10/18/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640by SA JOSEPH P. MAYER/tp Date dictated 10/21/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/27/681

Mr. DONALD J. GEARY, Teacher, Harrington Junior High School, Church Street, who resides at 30 North Main Parkway, Leominster, Massachusetts, furnished the following information:

He, his wife, and a personal friend, Doctor JAMES V. MC HUGH, also of Leominster, arrived at and registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the morning of June 5, 1968, and this was subsequent to the murder of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Therefore, neither he nor his wife possess any information concerning the murder.

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On 9/26/68 at Leominster, Massachusetts File # BOSTON 44-646

by SA GEORGE S. WALLACE /car Date dictated 9/26/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 10/29/68

WILLIAM A. GEOGHEGAN, 9612 Accord Drive, Potomac, Maryland, and attorney in the firm of PIERSON, BALL and DOWD, Ring Building, Washington, D.C., was interviewed and furnished the following information:

He was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, on the morning of June 4, 1968. Mr. GEOGHEGAN had been in Los Angeles with the Senator ROBERT KENNEDY campaign staff but checked out of the Ambassador Hotel by 8 AM, June 4, 1968. He did spend the night of the third at the hotel. His work on the primary campaign was over therefore he left early.

Mr. GEOGHEGAN observed nothing which could have a bearing on the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He had no information concerning a possible conspiracy in the matter, he did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, nor did he have any recollection of seeing SIRHAN around the hotel on the night of June 3, 1968, or at any other time while he was at the hotel.

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On 10/18/68 at Potomac, Md.File # BA 44-684by SA PAUL M. VAN DRIESSCHE:mkDate dictated 10/23/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 10, 19681

JOHN GERVAIS, Lincoln Apartments, Lincoln Street, Ashland, Oregon, advised that he traveled with the ROBERT KENNEDY campaign group for several days prior to the California primary. He said that he was with DEAN TODARO, and that both he and TODARO were students at Southern Oregon College, Ashland, Oregon. Early June was the time for final examinations at Southern Oregon College and GERVAIS and TODARO had missed some finals and had lost valuable study time during the campaign. For these reasons they left Los Angeles at approximately 2:00 a.m. the morning of June 4, 1968, and returned to Ashland, Oregon.

The reason that GERVAIS was registered at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968, is that a member of the Kennedy party registered for the group and possibly was not aware that GERVAIS and TODARO had left.

GERVAIS said that he observed nothing that he would consider pertinent to this matter. That is he did not see anyone who appeared similar to SIRHAN during the time he was with the Kennedy group.

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On 10/7/68 at Ashland, Oregon File # PD 62-2864

by SA WILLIAM H. GRAY:dav Date dictated 10/8/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

10/1/68

Date _____

ETHEL GILBERT, 5859 SW 42nd Terrace, Miami, Florida, telephone 667-6900, was interviewed at her residence.

GILBERT advised that she and a friend, EMMA FAUST, of Hollywood, Florida, took a Greyhound Bus tour to California in May and June, 1968. GILBERT advised further that she and FAUST were staying at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, on the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. GILBERT was actually staying in a cottage outside the hotel. She left the lobby of the hotel at approximately 10:30 PM and was not aware that anything unusual had occurred until the early morning hours when she heard sirens.

GILBERT knows nothing of any possible conspiracy, does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, and does not recall seeing him at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968. All GILBERT can recall is seeing a man she assumed to be connected with the politicians who was extremely intoxicated and had to be helped from the hotel lobby.

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On 9/25/68 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 44-1880
by SA DAVID N. JELLISON: jgm Date dictated 9/30/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/21/681

JOSEPH GINISE, Radio Engineer, WOR, New York, New York, advised that he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968. He stated that he had set up his radio equipment in the ballroom on the afternoon of June 4, 1968 and then proceeded to the Biltmore Hotel where he set up his equipment and assisted Announcer LESTER SMITH during the evening hours. He stated he could offer no information concerning the shooting of Senator KENNEDY or any information concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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On 10/18/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640by SA JOSEPH P. MAYER/tp Date dictated 10/21/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

10/4/68

Date

RICHARD J. GOETHELS, 174 Meadowbrook Drive, Princeton, New Jersey, advised that he is employed as Manager of Information, International Business Machines Corporation, Dayton, New Jersey, and was in Los Angeles to observe IBM voting equipment in operation.

He left the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 4 p.m. June 4, 1968, and returned about 9 a.m. on June 5, 1968, having spent the intervening period at the IBM building.

He learned of Senator KENNEDY's shooting from television broadcasts.

GOETHELS said he at no time observed any activity or heard any conversation indicative of a conspiracy to assassinate the senator. After observing the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, GOETHELS said nobody he saw in the vicinity of the Ambassador Hotel resembled SIRHAN.

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9/26/68

Dayton, N.J.

Newark 44-372

On _____ at _____ File # _____

SA JOHN WALTER SADE/mbm

10/1/68

by _____ Date dictated _____

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/7/68

Mr. ELLIOT GOLDBERY, 16700 Lahser Road, Detroit, Michigan, advised that on June 4 and June 5, 1968 he was in Phoenix, Arizona on business for Tom Thomas Organization, Incorporated, Detroit Trade Center, Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. GOLDBERY stated that on June 7, 1968 he went to Los Angeles and was a guest in the Ambassador Hotel on June 7, 1968 for one night and he then returned to Phoenix, Arizona the following day. Mr. GOLDBERY stated that he knew nothing of a conspiracy and was not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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On 11/4/68 at Detroit, Michigan File # Detroit 56-150
by SA ROBERT M. SMITH/lmo Date dictated 11/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.Date 10/14/68

Mrs. ELEANOR GOLDBERG, 1528 West 9th Street, Brooklyn, New York, was contacted and advised that her husband, FRANK and herself were registered guests at the Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles, California, on June 4, and 5, 1968. She stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, her husband and herself were visiting relatives and also went sightseeing. They returned to their hotel shortly before Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and there was an awful lot of confusion in front of the Ambassador Hotel. She stated that due to the confusion at the hotel, they were unable to enter the hotel, and at this point, she did not know exactly what had happened.

She could not furnish any information of value concerning this matter.

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On 10/11/68 at Brooklyn, New York File # NY 44-1640

by SA PAUL M. CONRAD/bas Date dictated 10/11/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/26/68

Mr. ARTHUR GOLDMAN, Cameraman, National Broadcasting Company (NBC), 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York, stated that on the night of June 4-5, 1968, he was in New York, New York. He stated that he was in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, approximately two weeks prior to June 4-5, 1968. He has no idea why his name was listed as a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968, unless possibly NBC had been thinking of sending him there and had made arrangements without telling him.

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On 9/25/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640
by SA FRANCIS L. CASHIN/kme Date dictated 9/25/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/2/68Page 1

NORMAN GOTTWIG, 3004 Leeann Boulevard, Billings, Montana, advised as follows:

He was registered at the AMBASSADOR HOTEL at Los Angeles, California, at the time of the assault of ROBERT KENNEDY.

GOTTWIG could furnish no information concerning a possible conspiracy involving this assault.

GOTTWIG stated there were many parties with many people all through the hotel. He stated there were young people of all types at the hotel, so a person resembling SIRHAN would have easily gone unnoticed. GOTTWIG stated he had returned to his room prior to the time KENNEDY was shot and did not hear the shooting until he saw a report of it on television.

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On 9/24/68 at Billings, Montana File # BT #173-28
LA #56-156
by SA WALTER H. RICE, Jr./lly Date dictated 9/24/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/30/681.

ROBERT W. GREENE, Reporter, "Newsday," 550 Stewart Avenue, Garden City, New York, advised he did not check into the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, until eight hours after the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, therefore, he did not see or notice SIRHAN B. SIRHAN on the night of June 4, 1968. He added he was not acquainted with SIRHAN nor had he ever seen SIRHAN prior to the assassination.

In regards to a possible conspiracy on the part of other individuals acting with SIRHAN, GREENE stated he personally spoke to about twenty two persons at the Hotel just after the assassination, and none of these persons had any knowledge of any conspiracy nor did any of them observe SIRHAN prior to the assassination, or ever see any individual in movement with SIRHAN prior to the assassination, at the Ambassador Hotel.

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On 9/26/68 at Garden City, New York File # NY 44-1640

by S.A. JOHN J. GALLAGHER/lac Date dictated 9/26/68

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LA 56-156
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Records of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, indicated that on June 4, 1968, VINCENT M. GUAGHAN, 5807 Lake Shore Road, Cleveland, Ohio, was a registered guest.

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MPM/pas

The following investigation was conducted by SA MILTON P. MANDT on October 2, and 3, 1968, in an attempt to locate and interview VINCENT M. GUAGHAN, 5807 Lake Shore Road, Cleveland, Ohio:

A review of current Cleveland City and Telephone Directories reveals no VINCENT M. GUAGHAN. There are no individuals with the last name of GUAGHAN in these directories.

There is no Lake Shore Road in the Cleveland area; there is a Lake Shore Boulevard which starts at street number 8925, and a Lake Shore Drive which starts at street number 13792. A visual check of this boulevard and drive reveals no address of 5807.

Records of the Cleveland Police Department, Cleveland Retail Credit Men's Company, Voters Registration, Cuyahoga County, which covers Cleveland, Ohio, reveals no information as to VINCENT M. GUAGHAN.

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LA 56-156

The following information was furnished on October 31, 1968, by JOSEPH M. ROLAND, Consul, American Consulate, Auckland, New Zealand:

On October 9, 1968, Mrs. DESMOND ALFRED HADDEN, 34 Selwyn Avenue, Mission Bay, Auckland, New Zealand, confirmed that she and Mr. HADDEN were guests at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, at the time of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She stated that she and Mr. HADDEN had retired to their room and were asleep at the time of the shooting, of which they were unaware until the following morning. Mrs. HADDEN advised that at no time did she or Mr. HADDEN see either Senator KENNEDY or SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/7/68

Mr. GUY HADSALL, JR., 32023 West Chicago Road, Livonia, Michigan, advised that he was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on 6/4/68. Mr. HADSALL said he was in Los Angeles on business for American Motors Sales Corporation, 14250 Plymouth Road, Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. HADSALL said that he went to his room at about 9:30 p.m., June 4, 1968 and went to sleep. He stated he telephoned Detroit, Michigan at 7:30 a.m., June 5, 1968 and was told of the shooting in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. He stated he is in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy and is not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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by SA ROBERT M. SMITH/lmo Date dictated 11/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/8/68

Miss TERRY HAKER, 30 Brookman Avenue, advised that she is a hairdresser by occupation. She stated that in May, 1968, she and her girlfriends, ARLENE BRADY and MARY SICILIANO, vacationed in the State of California. She advised that on May 29, 1968, the three of them arrived in Los Angeles, California, and registered in Room 215 in the Ambassador Hotel. She stated that on June 2, 1968, she heard from a male acquaintance that Mrs. ETHEL KENNEDY, the wife of former Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, needed a hairdresser since none in the Ambassador Hotel were available. She stated that arrangements were made for her to work on Mrs. KENNEDY's hair for 8:30PM on June 2, 1968. She stated a few minutes before the appointed time she went to Mrs. KENNEDY's suite, 511, and waited about 25 minutes. She stated that at this time Mrs. KENNEDY said she would not have enough time for Miss HAKER to work on her hair and rescheduled her for 8:30AM on June 3, 1968. Miss HAKER stated she departed Mrs. KENNEDY's suite at this time. She advised that at 8:30AM on June 3, 1968, she set and combed Mrs. KENNEDY's hair in the latter's suite, number 511, and then departed. She advised that about 7PM on June 4, 1968, she, ARLENE, and MARY went up to the room of PROVI PARADES on the fifth floor of the Ambassador Hotel. She stated Miss PARADES worked for Mrs. KENNEDY and was to pay her for working on Mrs. KENNEDY's hair. She stated her girlfriends accompanied her in hopes of seeing Mrs. KENNEDY and her late husband. She stated that she waited for about one and one half hours and then got paid by Miss PARADES, who also gave her a photograph of Senator KENNEDY for Mrs. KENNEDY to autograph. Miss HAKER stated she waited in the hall of the fifth floor for about one half an hour and saw Mrs. KENNEDY, who at that time asked her to again comb her hair. She stated she went into Room 511 with her and combed her hair. She said following this, Mrs. KENNEDY signed her husband's

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photograph and after this, Miss HAKER left.

Miss HAKER stated that she rejoined her girlfriends about 9:30PM in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel. She stated they waited near the elevator, hoping to see and take photographs of Senator KENNEDY. She stated that MARY left them between 11:15 and 11:30PM and went to their room in this hotel. She stated she and ARLENE remained in the lobby until about 11:50PM and thereafter went downstairs one flight in the hotel, where she heard Senator KENNEDY was to speak again. She stated after waiting about one half hour a young boy came downstairs and shouted that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. She added that almost immediately after hearing this news, she and ARLENE went down a flight of stairs outside the hotel to a parking lot, where the newsmen park their trucks. She stated that they were there for about five minutes when she and ARLENE became separated. She advised that soon after she had realized she and her girlfriend were separated, she headed toward the main entrance of the hotel and on her way, saw Senator KENNEDY's body being brought out on a stretcher from another entrance nearby. She stated a few minutes later, she observed a man, later determined to be SIRHAN SIRHAN, being brought out of the hotel with numerous police officers.

Miss HAKER advised that this was the one and only time she ever saw SIRHAN SIRHAN. She stated she was shocked when she heard the news that Senator KENNEDY was shot and had absolutely no idea of anyone who might have been interested in attempting to kill him.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/9/68

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Mrs. PHYLLIS HARVEY, 2192 Harrodsburg Road, advised that she was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the night of June 4, 1968, the night of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She explained that she had been on a Greyhound Bus tour which originated in Chicago, Illinois. She was accompanied by two friends, Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS, whose residence is 111 Goodrich Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky, and Mrs. ALLEYNE MADDOX, whose residence is 2023 Clays Mill Road, Lexington, Kentucky. All three were guests at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the night of June 4, 1968, and all three were staying together sharing a room in one of the buildings on the grounds at the rear of the main Ambassador Hotel. They had all three been together in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel where they were watching the crowd and had retired rather late that night at approximately 11:30 PM. They had no knowledge concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until the following morning of June 5, 1968, at which time they heard the news when they turned on the television. While in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968, they did not see Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY or any of his party as they were in another section.

She advised they knew of no conspiracy and did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and had never heard of him prior to the above incident.

She advised that Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS is presently residing in an apartment in Florida, where she will spend the winter. She advised Mrs. AYERS can be contacted through an address at 245 Charles Court, Satellite Beach, Florida. She stated however, that she knew of her own knowledge that Mrs. AYERS could furnish no additional pertinent information concerning the assassination of Senator JOHN F. KENNEDY.

She remarked that all three were greatly shocked the morning of June 5, 1968, when they learned over the news

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by SA G. JAMES HOLBROOK/hrs Date dictated 10/3/68

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on the television, of the assassination of Senator ROBERT
F. KENNEDY.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 10, 19681

Mr. ROY HEATLY, Assistant Editor, KCRA Television News, 310 - 10th Street, Sacramento, California, advised the following:

He was a registered guest at the Hotel Ambassador, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968, but spent the evening at Television Station KTLA. He departed the Hotel between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. and did not return until approximately 3:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. He had never heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, nor does he have any knowledge of a conspiracy in the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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On 10/3/68 at Sacramento, California File # SC 62-76

by SA NORMAN P. LeCLAIR / sy/nme Date dictated 10/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 10/15/68

RICHARD HEFFNER, Mc Calls Magazine, 230 Park Avenue, advised that on June 4, 1968, he was supposed to go to Los Angeles, California, accompanied by his assistant named EDEE DJORNSON to interview Senator KENNEDY for his magazine. He did not go to California because the Senator was extremely busy and also his son was graduated from school on June 5, 1968. He has no idea concerning any conspiracy concerning the assassination of Senator KENNEDY nor does he have any background concerning SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

HEFFNER stated that EDEE DJORNSON did not go to California and thus would know nothing of the assassination.

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On 10/11/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640

by SA VINCENT P. DOHERTY/prr Date dictated 10/14/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date November 22, 1968

Mrs. ALICE HOCH, 1006 Brayton Park Place, advised that on the night of June 4-5, 1968, she had been a registered guest in a second floor hotel room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, that she had no pertinent personal knowledge or information regarding the June 5, 1968, shooting of former Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, at the hotel.

Mrs. HOCH stated that she had registered at the above hotel as a member of a group of individuals being part of a Greyhound tour. She stated the only other individual there from Utica, N.Y., was Miss BETTY BESIG, who resides at 1607 Whitesboro St., Utica, N.Y., and during the evening and night of June 4, 1968, they sat together in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel.

She stated that they had observed literally thousands of people in the hotel lobby on the above occasion and had returned to their respective rooms possibly around midnight.

She continued that on the following morning she was joined by Miss BESIG and they both went downstairs to breakfast and it was at this time they learned of the shooting of former Senator KENNEDY.

Mrs. HOCH stated she recalled that after she retired, she did hear a noise which could have been a shot or shots but at the time had dismissed it as thinking it was probably backfire from a car. She believed that likely these were the shots that were fired in the shooting.

She stated she has observed newspaper photographs of the individual who has been charged with the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and cannot say whether or not she

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never saw this individual in the lobby of the Ambassador
Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

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Date 11/14/681

KENNETH HUMPHREYS, Executive Director, California Veterinary Medical Association, 3630 Park Boulevard, Oakland, California, advised as follows:

On June 3 and 4, 1968, he was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and left for Palm Springs, California, on June 5, 1968. At 12:15 AM, June 5, 1968, he was in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel known as the Embassy Room. At the time of the confusion and statements by unknown individuals that someone had been shot, he was attempting to make his way toward JESSIE UNRUH, a California politician, but because of the crush of people, was unable to reach him. HUMPHREYS then returned to his room in the Hotel.

HUMPHREYS stated that he has never known SIRHAN SIRHAN and cannot state that he saw this individual around the Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968. He said he has no information concerning the murder of Senator KENNEDY and no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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On 11/14/68 at Oakland, California File # SF 62-5481

by SA W. HUGH NOTT:bfr Date dictated 11/14/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date October 15, 1968

Mr. FRANCIS IMMER, 3712 Juniata, stated he was registered into the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968, and received information from the local press and radio that the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot at the hotel. Mr. IMMER said he has never known any person named SIRHAN, did not see this person~~s~~ around the hotel at any time and possessed no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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On 10/8/68 at St. Louis, Missouri File # SL 44-782
by SA EDWARD M. MORELAND/lep Date dictated 10/10/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 9/25/68

EDMOND G. JEANFREAU, Vice President, Specialty Food Sales Company, 725 Focis Street, was interviewed at his office and he advised as follows:

During the early part of June, 1968, JEANFREAU made a business trip to the West Coast on behalf of his company. The trip was arranged by Travel Consultants, a travel agency located at 338 International Trade Mart, 2 Canal Street, New Orleans, and he was accompanied on the trip by LEWIS A. PAILET, also an executive of Specialty Food Sales Company.

JEANFREAU continued that his plane landed in Los Angeles on the evening of June 4, 1968, and he estimates that he and his companion arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, at about 9:00 p.m. that date. JEANFREAU recalls that he and PAILET registered at the hotel at the same time as a prominent psychiatrist whose name JEANFREAU does not recall, who was scheduled to be a guest speaker at a medical convention at the Ambassador Hotel the following day.

JEANFREAU said that he and PAILET went up to their rooms, staying there only about 15 minutes, or long enough to deposit their luggage and freshen up. At about 9:15 p.m., they both left the hotel and went to a number of night spots on the "Strip" in Los Angeles, since it was their first visit to the city.

JEANFREAU said that he did not return to the hotel until after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. He stated that he first learned of the shooting from a cab driver with whom he was riding.

JEANFREAU continued that since he had only spent about 15 minutes at the hotel prior to the assault on Senator KENNEDY, he could furnish absolutely no information regarding the matter. JEANFREAU said that he later saw press photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, but SIRHAN did not appear

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On 9/24/68 at Metairie, Louisiana File # NO 173-994

by SA WILLIAM R. RUMPH/bnk Date dictated 9/25/68

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familiar to him and as far as he knows, he has never seen SIRHAN. JEANFREAU knows nothing about a conspiracy involved in the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 10, 1968

Mr. ROBERT W. JOHNSON, KCRA TV, 310 10th Street,
Sacramento, California, advised the following:

He did not go to Los Angeles, California, until
the morning of June 5, 1968. He did not know SIRHAN BISHARA
SIRHAN and has no knowledge of a conspiracy to kill Senator
ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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On 10/3/68 at Sacramento, California File # SC 62-76

by SA NORMAN P. LE CLAIR/sy Date dictated 10/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 29, 1968

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IRA KAPENSTEIN, 6810 Greyswood Road, Bethesda, Maryland, employed by the Personnel Department, U. S. Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., was interviewed and he furnished the following information:

KAPENSTEIN was on the staff of LARRY O'BRIEN, working for the election of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and as a result of that employment he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968.

Due to the very large crowd involved, while he was present at the Ambassador Hotel, KAPENSTEIN, during the evening and night of June 4, 1968, remained in his room at the Ambassador and watched television programs covering the speech that day of ROBERT KENNEDY and events following the speech.

KAPENSTEIN as a result of his presence at the hotel learned nothing which would have a bearing on the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He was in possession of no information indicating a possible conspiracy, did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and had no recollection of seeing him around the above hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

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On 10/17/68 at Bethesda, Maryland File # BA 44-684
by SA PAUL M. VAN DRIESSCHE:mk/lhs Date dictated 10/23/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.Date 10/28/68

ALICE KARALUS, 115-88 229th Street, Cambria Heights, Queens, New York, was contacted and advised her sister, ANN LOCKSHISS, and two girl friends of hers, FRANCES SIMONITIS and RUTH CROWLEY, all take their vacation at the same time together each year. This year they went to Los Angeles, California, where they were registered guests at the Ambassador Hotel. She stated that they obtained two adjoining rooms and that ANN LOCKSHISS and herself were roommates and FRANCES SIMONITIS and Miss RUTH CROWLEY were roommates. She stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, all of them went to the theater and saw the play Camelot. She stated that they all returned to their hotel at approximately 12:10 A.M., on June 5, 1968, and they went directly to their hotel rooms. When they were in their hotel room, the television set was turned on by one of the girls and at approximately 12:15 A.M., on June 5, 1968, a news bulletin was flashed over the television screen stating that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot.

She stated that she could not furnish any information concerning this matter.

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On 10/25/68 at Queens, New York File # NY 44-1640
by SA PAUL M. CONRAD/mm1 Date dictated 10/25/68