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	EMILIO GERARDO POLIGNAN, 3960 West Eighth Street, Los Angeles, no telephone, was interviewed at the Ambassador Los Angeles, where he is employed as a waiter. He furnished tollowing information:	
	He was born at Buenos Aires, Arger His Social Security Number is He entered the United States during February, 1961. He became a citizen of tunited States in 1967. His wife's name is ELSA. He has been waiter at the Ambassador Hotel since March, 1968.	he
	POLIGNAN advised that he did not hear of the shooting. Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until some time after the shooting. was told of it by other employees whose names he does not reca	He
	He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. advised that he has seen this individual on television and als in the newspapers. He stated that prior to seeing this individual television and in the newspapers, he had not ever seen this individual. He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.	dual
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IRMA ELIZABETH PUALANI, Desk Clerk at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

She worked on June 4, 1968, from 6:50 PM until 9:30 PM. She went right home after work and did not stay around for the KENNEDY victory party. PUALANI was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised that she had never seen the man.

The following description of PUALANI was obtained through observation and interview:

Name

IRMA ELIZABETH PUALANI

Race Sex White Female

Birth Data

Cincinnati, Ohio

Residence

671 South Coronado

Los Angeles, California

Height

517"

Weight

130 nounds

Social Security No.

Length of Employment

at the Ambassador

Hotel

Four months

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He was born on December 12, resides at 4411 Alpha Street, Los Ange	eles, Califo	rnia.	
He stated that he had never SIRHAN before and had no information	concerning t	he incident	•
He stated that at the time ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 5, 1968, he Venetian Ballroom.	was working	in the	tc
On June 11, 1968, FRANK QUII employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Los Angeles, California, as a waiter.	O Wilshire B		S
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VICTOR QUINTANILLA, busboy, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 1823 South Orchard Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone R.I. 7-8351, advised that he worked from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., in the Coconut Grove on the evening of June 4, 1968, and early morning of June 5, 1968, during which time he left the room on one occasion and proceeded into the Embassy Room in an attempt to view Senator KENNEDY. He stated that upon arriving in the Embassy Room and failing to see Senator KENNEDY on the podium, he immediately returned to resume his duties in the Coconut Grove. He advised that at approximately 12:30 a.m., several employees of the hotel staff came into the Coconut Grove and informed other employees that a shooting had occurred in the Embassy Room; however, he advised he remained at his post until 1:00 a.m., after which he went home.

QUINTANILLA viewed a photograph of the subject, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and stated that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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ELIAS MIKE RAMIREZ, $1524\frac{1}{2}$ South Menlo, Los Angeles, California, (telephone number 382-5505), advised he has been employed as a waiter at the Cave Bar at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, for the past three years.

He advised that on June 4, 1968, he was working the 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. shift at the Cave Bar and first became aware of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY when people started coming into the bar and talking about the incident which had just happened.

RAMIREZ advised that he was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting and that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to him.

RAMIREZ further advised that he had never observed anyone resembling SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

RAMIREZ was described as follows:

Race Sex

Birth Data

Born July 20, 1943, in

Chimbolte, Peru

Height Weight Hair Eyes 5' 5" 134 pounds

Black Brown

White

Male

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	On June 10, 1968, J he is employed as a Bartender Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angel the evening of June 4, 1968, stated that he was tending ba located in the Main Lobby of	at the Ambassador es, California, an until 2 AM, on Jun r in the Venetian	Hotel, 3400 d was on duty e 5, 1968. He Room which is
	RAMIREZ said that h shooting at approximately 12: SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar advised him to close the bar	30 AM, June 5, 196 Manager, came int	8, when ROBERT o the bar and
	RAMIREZ stated that SIRHAN around the hotel, was had never heard this name.		
	RAMIREZ furnished t concerning himself:	he following backg	round information
	Sex Race Clock No. Home Address Telephone No. Social Security No. Date of Birth	Male Caucasian 2810 1140 East Chestnu California 244-0144	t, Glendale,
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RAMIRO RAMIREZ, Banquet Houseman, Ambassador Hotel, residence 3184 West 8th Street, Los Angeles, no telephone, advised that on Tuesday evening, June 4, 1968, he left his employment at 11:00 p.m., and went directly home. RAMIREZ viewed the photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised that he has never seen this individual in his life.

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ARZIE DANIEL REDERFORD, houseman at the Ambassador Hotel, advised as follows:

He worked on June 4, 1968, from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. and he left the hotel at about ten minutes after 11:00 that night. He stated that he did not remain at the hotel for the Kennedy victory celebration. REDERFORD was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and he advised that he had never seen the man.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	ARZIE DANIEL REDERFORD
Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Farmerville, Louisiana
Residence	436 East 40th Place
	Los Angeles
Height	5'11"
Weight	172 pounds
Social Security	
Number	
Length of Employment	;
at Ambassador Hotel	l l month

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CHARLES D. REDMIER, 6611 Benson Avenue, Huntington Park, California, born on December 5, 1909, at Indianapolis, Indiana, advised that he is employed as the Chief Electrician in the Maintenance Department of the Ambassador Hotel.

Mr. REDMIER advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, he was on duty in the public address booth of the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel and could observe the activities of the room through a two-way mirror in the booth. He stated that after Senator KENNEDY had finished talking, he believes the Senator left the stage through the doors at the rear of the podium but that there were so many people blocking his view that he could not see the Senator clearly after he left the podium. after the Senator apparently left the podium, he heard a woman scream, "He's been shot!" Two large men ran onto the podium and, through the microphone on the podium, shouted, "Clear the room!" Shortly after, one of these men, through the same microphone, shouted, "Turn out the lights!" Almost immediately most of the lights went out, however, some of them remained on and REDMIER went to the switchbox on the standard located on the opposite side of the podium from the two swinging doors leading into the corridor to the rear of the Embassy Room pulling the switch and darkening the entire Embassy Room. REDMIER then went to the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) truck parked in the main driveway off of Wilshire Boulevard to the rear of the Embassy Room location and, at this point, saw someone being carried on a stretcher from the rear of the Embassy Room.

Mr. REDMIER advised that he saw nothing further concerning the incidents surrounding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and, after observing a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, stated that, to his knowledge, he has never seen this individual in person.

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WILLIAM FRANKLIN REID, Night Payroll Clerk, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 727 South Mariposa Street, Apartment 207, Los Angeles, California, and his home telephone number is 388-0016.

REID advised he has been employed at the Ambassador Hotel for the past 42 years. REID advised he arrived for work at 6:00 PM on June 4, 1968, and did not leave the hotel until about 1:30 AM, June 5, 1968. He recalled that at about 12:25 or 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, as he was in the Payroll Office, two teenaged girls passed the Payroll Window and advised him that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. REID explained that he spent the entire evening in the Payroll Office, therefore, could furnish no information concerning the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. He observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him.

REID furnished the following descriptive information regarding himself:

Birth Data

New Orleans, Louisiana
Height

Weight
Social Security No.

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Miss EDITH REIFSCHNEIDER, Banquet Auditor, Catering and Sales Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment, and she advised that she had attended the KENNEDY for President campaign celebration, with Mrs. FLORENCE HERZBERGER on June 4, 1968. She advised that they were both primarily within the Embassy Room from approximately 9:00 p.m., June 4, 1968 to until 2:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. Miss REIFSCHNEIDER advised that she did not hear the gunfire and did not learn of the shooting until she was on her way from the hotel.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Miss REIFSCHNEIDER and she advised she had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

Miss REIFSCHNEIDER is described as follows:

White Race Sex Female

Born

October 13, 1939 at Crialsheim, Germany

676 Shatto Place Residence

Los Angeles, California 90005

389-6784 Telephone

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REYES wor directly He observ he had no to his at	REYES advised he has been employed by the or Hotel for the past three years. On June 4, 1968, rked from 3:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. and went to his home immediately after he got off work. Wed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised ever seen him before. In addition, nothing came tention at any time to indicate that Senator KENNEDY would be shot.
cerning h	REYES furnished the following information con- nimself:
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On June 10, 1968, NICHOLAS MARTINEZ REYES advised that he is employed as a bar boy at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and was on duty during the evening of June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, June 5, 1968. He stated that he was working as a bar boy in the Ball Room on the first floor of the hotel and was not in the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. He said this Ball Room is located one floor below the Embassy Room where the shooting took place and consequently did not witness the shooting.

He said he first became aware of the shooting at approximately 12:30 AM when some unidentified person came to the room and stated that Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

He said that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, did not know him, and had never heard the name.

REYES furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex

Race

Clock No.

Home Address

Home Telephone

Social Security No. Date of Birth

Male

Caucasian

931 South Kenmore Los Angeles,

California 383-2690

October 31, 1931, Teoclthe,

Jalisco, Mexico

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Angeles, he has be Hotel, 3 ¹	California (telephone men employed as a bell men wilshire Boulevard,	for the past 14 months.	
11:00 a.n		1, 1968, he worked from not present at the hotel was shot.	
	He further advised he was	as unable to furnish any ting.	
SIRHAN ar	nd stated that SIRHAN wa	graph of SIRHAN BISHARA as unknown to him, and AN in or around the hotel.	
	REYNOLDS furnished the lon concerning himself:	following descriptive	
5	Race Sex Birth Data	White Male Born Omaha, Nebraska	Р
V I	Height Veight Hair Eyes	5' 9" 145 pounds Grey Blue	
	Social Security Number		· F
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	ANTONIO ROSAS, Diswasher, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, resides at 843 Mariposa Street, Apartment 3, Los Angeles, California, advis that on the evening Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed he working in the kitchen and only became aware of the incided due to the commotion. He was not in the area of the shooting prior to, or after, the death of Senator KENNEDY and he was used to furnish any details of value concerning individuals in the area where the incident occurred. ROSAS advised that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA STRHAN around the hotel and is such as was never an employee.	was it ig iable ie
	ROSAS advised he was born and his Social Security Number is	
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RICHARD RODRIGEZ, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 9711 Greening Whittier, phone 696-8305, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

RODRIGEZ was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he never seen this individual in his life.

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	On June 11, 1968, MANUEL RODRIGUEZ advised that he has been employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the past eight months and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, and the early morning of June 5, 1968. He stated that he was not if the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and, consequently did not witness the shooting and had no information concern SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.	n ',
	He advised that he resides at 4949 Coldwater Canyon, Sherman Oaks, California, and was born in Oriente Province, Cuba. He entered the United States as a permanent resident on May 29, 1960, and has Alien Registration Number All 871 877. He is not a United States citizen. He has Social Security Number	,
	A photograph of SIRHAN was exhibited and this indiadvised he had not seen him before.	vidual
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RAMON RODRIGUEZ, JR., part-time waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised he resides at 2248 Parkside Avenue, Los Angeles, and has home telephone number 223-0303.

RODRIGUEZ advised he has worked on a parttime basis at the Ambassador Hotel for the past six weeks and is currently employed by the "Los Angeles Times" in the capacity of a press room clerk. He stated he has worked for the "Los Angeles Times" for the past ten years.

RODRIGUEZ advised at about 12:20 a.m., June 5, 1968, he was in the kitchen located approximately 40 feet from the entrance into the Service Pantry, ordering a sandwich when he heard what sounded like a gun shot. About one second later he heard a second shot, then after two or three seconds he heard a burst of approximately four shots. He hastily ran out of the kitchen and into the kitchen employees dining room and observed through the entrance way into the Embassy Room Service Pantry, a white male in a dark-colored suit lying on his back. At this point an unidentified female Caucasian ran up to him and asked if he knew who the person was lying on the pantry floor. RODRIGUEZ stated that he did not; however, at this time JESUS PEREZ approached him and advised that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot and that PEREZ shook hands with the Senator just prior to the time he was shot.

RODRIGUEZ did not enter the Embassy Room Service Pantry where he was directed to stay clear of the area. About ten minutes later, policemen were attempting to clear a path to the service elevator; however, due to the large number of people crowded into the area, he was unable to observe any further events.

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RODRIGUEZ furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Birth Data

Guadalajara, Jalisco,

Mexico

Height Weight 5'9" 165 pounds

Social Security

Number

RODRIGUEZ observed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him; further, that nothing came to his attention prior to the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot to indicate this event would occur.

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On June 12, 1968, TOM RONCINSKE, 636 North Robinson Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born on May 5, 1922, and he has been employed by the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, since 1957. He stated that he now holds the position of Night Auditor.

RONCINSKE stated that he was on duty during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot in the Ambassador Hotel. He stated that he did not hear any shots but was informed of the shooting by people running through the lobby of the hotel. He stated that he did not leave the main desk area of the hotel and he did not see Senator KENNEDY. He stated that he observed police officers going by his desk and he saw the police return with a person in the middle of their group but he was unable to see the person the police were removing from the hotel.

RONCINSKE was shown three photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that the only time he has seen SIRHAN's likeness was when he saw SIRHAN's photographs in the newspapers after the shooting.

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HENRY HOUSHMEND ROSHDIEH Parking Lot Attendant, Wilshire Entrance, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he worked from approximately 4:30 PM, June 4, 1968, until 3 AM, June 5, 1968. He was never in the hotel, never near the Embassy Ball Room and advised that he never saw an individual resembling SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in or about the hotel, after viewing his photograph.

The following physical description was obtained from observation and interview:

Race	White Male			
Sex	Male	M = la = 100 to	Tracro	
Birth Data		Teheran,	iran	1
Height	5.6"			
Weight	142 pounds			
Citizenship	Tranian			
Social Security No.				
Residence	1720 North Brons	on Avenue	9	
	Apartment 6, Hol	lywood, C	alifor	rnia
Telephone	HO 4-2622	-		

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morning hours was shot in the back gate learned of the hotel. ROTHI went to see & KENNEDY or the by the Los Ar	THBURG advised that s of June 5, 1968 when the Ambassador Hote of the hotel when he shooting through BURG stated that he senator KENNEDY. He man who was repongeles Police and senator KENNEDY.	when Senator el. He state the shooting the yells of stayed at he advised the pricedly removes.	ROBERT F. KE d that he wanted took place of the crowd dis post and lat he never ed from the	ENNEDY as at e and he in the never saw hotel
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RO	THBURG furnished hi	ls Social Sec	urity Number	r
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ALFRED VIGIL ROYBAL, Parking Lot Attendant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was reinterviewed at his place of employment and advised that he had never noticed two males running through the Eighth Street parking lot from the direction of the hotel from approximately 12:15 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., June 5, 1968, following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

ROYBAL advised that he was in charge of the Eighth Street parking lot on the evening of June 4, and morning of June 5, 1968, and had questioned the other attendants concerning the above matter, and all had not seen two men running through the lot. Those working with ROYBAL at the Eighth Street parking lot during the time period in question were:

JAMES HENRY ARRIETA

AUGUSTO RICARDO CARRILLO

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VERA M. RUNNING, housekeeping employee at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

She worked from 3:15 PM on June 4, 1968, until 12:04 AM on June 5, 1968. She went straight home after finishing her work, and she was not present at the hotel during the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. RUNNING was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised that she had never seen the man.

The following description of RUNNING was obtained by observation and interview:

Name VERA M. RUNNING
Race White
Sex Female
Birth Data

Residence 759 South Catalina Avenue Los Angeles, California

Height 5'4"
Weight 135 nounds
Social Security No.

Length of Employment at the Ambassador

Hotel Ten years

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On June 10, 1968, ROBERT G. SALCEDO advised that he is employed as the Bar Manager at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, until the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

SALCEDO said that he was not in the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot but was close enough to immediately hear the screams and confusion and recognized that a "problem" had occurred" and he immediately went from bar to bar closing them down. He said in any kind of trouble and confusion, his main responsibility is with the bars and when he heard the noise, he felt that it was time to close them down.

He said that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and the name was not familiar to him.

SALCEDO furnished the following background information concerning himself:

> Sex Race

Male Caucasian

Home Address

811 South Kenmore, apartment 303,

Los Angeles, California

Telephone No. Social Security No.

Date of Birth

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On June 10, 1968, ANGEL SANTIA employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Los Angeles, California, as a cook.	AGO adviseo Wilshire Bo	d that he oulevard,	is
He stated that at the time of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 5, 196 in the main kitchen and could not see what stated that as he recalls he heard sever at the time but had no idea that it was he did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN not	68, he was hat was go: ral succes: a gun. He	working ing on. He sive "pops to stated to the stated to t	hat
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On June 11, 1968, JORGE R. SANTOS advised that he is employed as a bartender at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and was on duty during the evening June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, June 5, 1968. He said that he was tending bar in the Palm Court Room during the evening and was not aware of the shooting until approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, when Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, entered the Palm Court Bar and said for SANTOS to close the bar as Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

SANTOS stated that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, was not acquainted with him and had neverheard this name before.

SANTOS furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex
Race
Caucasian
Clock No.
Home Address
California
Home Phone
Social Security No.
Date of Birth

Male
Caucasian
Caucasian
AN 8-9576
South Pecan, Los Angeles,
California
AN 8-9576
Sacatecas, Mexico

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JOSE EDWARD SANTOYO, 2820 West Eighth Street, Lo Angeles, telephone number 388-3928, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel where he is employed as a barboy. He furthe following information:	2
He was born at Sonora, Mexico. Social Security Number is He has been in the United States since approximately 1962 and has been employ the hotel for approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ years.	في ا
On June 4, 1968, he began work at the hotel at a proximately 4 PM and continued to work at the hotel until proximately 3:30 AM on June 5, 1968. He worked at various in the hotel during his tour of duty.	ap-
Between midnight and 12:30 AM on June 5, 1968, he in the vicinity of the Palm Court Room. He did not hear to shooting that took place at the hotel.	
At approximately 12:30 AM, on June 5, 1968, he be that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot and this was first knowledge of the shooting.	
SANTOYO advised that he has seen photographs of BISHARA SIRHAN in the newspapers and that prior to having these photographs, he does not recall ever having seen SIN He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.	seen
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She advised that she resides Highland Park, California, and was born Los Angeles California. She has Social	at at
A photograph of SIRHAN was exh advised she had not seen him before.	ibited and this individua
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	On June 11, 1968, RUDY SEGURA advised that he is at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angel California, as a cook in the coffee shop.	employed es,
	He stated that on June 4, 1968, he worked until 1 p.m. and thereafter, went home. He stated that he did not anything of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY nor he ever seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.	know
	He was born on, in Los Angeles, Caliornia, and resides at 223 Rosemont Avenue, Los Angeles. He Social Security Number is	
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	PAUL SHAHAN, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotresidence address 1204 North Marilyn Street, Glendale, California, phone CI 34704 advised that he was not working on the evening of June 4, 1968.	el,
	SHAHAN was exhibited a photograph of subject SIRHABISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seer this individual in his life.	
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SETH SHAHAN, 338 South Reeves Drive, Beverly Hills, California, (telephone number CR 6-2589), advised he has been employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, since 1928.

SHAHAN advised on June 4, 1968, he was assigned to work the Presidential Suite, which were rooms 583 and 584, and served drinks to approximately 200 people who were present at a reception honoring Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

SHAHAN advised that he was watching a television set in the room which was carrying Senator KENNEDY's speech from the Embassy Room of the hotel and witnessed the shooting incident on television.

At that point, the man in charge of the reception party told SHAHAN to close the bar, which he did. SHAHAN stated he then turned in his receipts at about 1:50 a.m. on June 5, 1968, and went home.

He stated he was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting other than what he had witnessed on television.

He further advised that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to him, and he had never observed SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

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JOHN SANFORD SHAMEL, Convention Manager, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was present at the hotel from 7:15 a.m. on June 4, 1968 until approximately 4:45 a.m. on June 5, 1968. During this time, he was in the Embassy Room approximately 75 percent of his time. He was in the Embassy Room at 11:15 p.m. and again at 11:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968. SHAMEL entered the main kitchen area at approximately 11:45 p.m., accompanied by his roommate, AL ELLIS. He passed through the kitchen and entered the Embassy Room through the doors immediately to the east of the stage which Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY later spoke on. He passed through the Embassy Room and was just outside the main doors when UNO TIMINSON. General Manager of the Catering and Sales Department, hurriedly approached him and urgently directed him to get a doctor. SHAMEL then proceeded to the switchboard where he carried out this task. At the same time as he was approached by TIMINSON, SHAMEL noticed commotion beginning in the lobby. He heard the vague comment, "There he goes.", but did not see to whom it was directed, nor by whom it was spoken. He saw no one running and there was no indication as to what it was intended. SHAMEL stated that he never saw Senator KENNEDY or the individual who the police had taken into custody, as he was in the switchboard room, and he did not hear any gunfire.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to SHAMEL and he advised that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

SHAMEL advised that JOHN G. LONG, President, B. R. T. Lodge 912, Chairman of 1968 Tri-State Convention, residing 2732 Fletcher Drive, Los Angeles, California, residence telephone 863-2683, business telephone 666-8300, advised him on June 6, 1968 that he had had a conversation with an unidentified man who indicated that he had chased a man with a gun through the Ambassador Hotel Lobby area and out of the hotel, at a time

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close to that in which Senator KENNEDY had been shot. This individual had advised LONG that he had lost this man in the crowd. SHAMEL could recall nothing further concerning LONG's comments regarding this incident.

SHAMEL is described as follows:

White Race Sex Male

Born

January 24, 1940 at Jonesboro, Arkansas 842 South Berendo

Residence

Los Angeles, California

Telephone 386-8322

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	California which time until 12:0	Miss KAY FANNIE SHU r Hotel, 3400 Wilshi a, was interviewed a e she advised that s 00 midnight on June the hotel for home an	t her place of emplo he was on duty from 4, 1968, at which ti	ngeles, byment, at 4:00 p.m. me she	to
		A photograph of SIR to SHUSETT and she individual before in		l never	
		SHUSETT is describe	d as follows:		
		Race Sex Born	White Female at Pittsburg, Pennsylv	/ania	
		Social Security No. Residence Telephone	1119 North Hayworth Los Angeles, Califo	Street	
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CHARLES E. SIEBERT, 3471 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California, apartment 503, telephone 384-2171, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where he is employed as a cashier and food checker.

SIEBERT advised that on June 4, 1968, he came to work at 5:00 p.m. and was working in the room service area, located just off of the main kitchen, taking telephone orders for room service. SIEBERT advised that at approximately midnight, he observed Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and KENNEDY's wife, along with a party of approximately eight to ten people, as they passed through the kitchen area enroute to the Embassy Room, where KENNEDY was to make a speech. SIEBERT stated that at that time, Senator KENNEDY stopped and shook hands with several of the kitchen employees. including himself.

SIEBERT continued that at approximately 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968, he heard a popping sound, which sounded like firecrackers and heard EDDIE MANASSUS (phonetic), captain of the waiters, shout that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot. SIEBERT stated that at that time, he immediately picked up the telephone, contacted the hotel switchboard and told them to get the police and an ambulance. He advised that he stayed where he was and did not witness the shooting or observe Senator KENNEDY after the shooting.

SIEBERT viewed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, stating that SIRHAN was unknown to him and further did not recall ever having seen SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

SIEBERT is described as follows:

Race	White	
Sex	Male	
Born	May 19, 1903, Indianapolis,	Indiana
Height	5 ¹ 10½"	
Weight	185 pounds	
Hair	Grey	

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REIS SIEMSINTINOFSKI, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 5524 Garelock Avenue, Azusa, California, and his home telephone number is 334-8603.

SIEMSINTINOFSKI advised he has been a citizen of the United States since May 1, 1968 and has resided in this country for the past six years. He advised he worked in the Lautrec Restaurant from 11:00 A.M. until 11:30 P.M. on June 4, 1968, and went home immediately after he got off work. He observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him. In addition, he stated nothing came to his attention prior to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY that would be of value in this investigation.

SIEMSINTINOFSKI furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth March 16, 1937
Place of Birth Navolec, Yugoslavia
Height 5'6"
Weight 165

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JOSE RODOLFO SIERRA, Banquet Houseman, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 3316 San Marino Street, Apartment 300, Los Angeles, California, and has no home telephone number. SIERRA advised he worked from 4:00 P.M., June 4, 1968 until 1:00 A.M., June 5, 1968. During the above hours, he and other banquet housemen were responsible for keeping the Embassy Room clean, thus they were in the Embassy Room until shortly after 1:00 A.M. He did not become aware of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot until the crowd began shouting and moving out the exits and toward the Embassy Room service pantry. SIERRA observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised it was not familiar to him. Further, he could furnish no information of value in this investigation.

SIERRA furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Guatemala, City, Guatemala
Height
Weight
Social Security No.

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RAMIRO SIFUENTES, Bar Boy, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 311 South Pecan, Los Angeles, California, and his home telephone number is 269-3010. SIFUENTES stated he arrived at work at 4:00 P.M. on June 4, 1968 and did not leave the hotel until 2:00 A.M. on June 5, 1968. He advised he did not see, hear, or have any knowledge of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot on the morning of June 5, 1968 and, in addition, stated after viewing the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN that he had not observed this individual in the past.

SIFUENTES furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Chaleniniutes, Zacatecas,
Mexico
Height
Weight
Employee Card No.
Social Security No.

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MICHAEL SILVERS, Wait Hotel, residence 1043 West Sixt	ter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador
California, residence phone HU off on the evening of June 4,	2-0821, advised that he was
SILVERS was thereafte subject SIRHAN SIRHAN after whi never seen this individual in h	
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Miss AGNES ANN SMITH, cashier - checker, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised she worked from 6:30 p.m., June 4, 1968 to until 2:30 a.m., June 5, 1968. On that evening she was situated in the main lobby, directly in front of the Palm Court Cocktail Lounge at a temporary bar. Miss SMITH advised she was never in the Embassy Room or in the main kitchen. During her employment, she heard nothing resembling gunfire.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to SMITH and she advised that the only time she had seen this individual was when the police were removing him following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

The following background information was obtained from interview:

Name
Race
Sex
Born
Social Security No.
Residence
Telephone

AGNES ANN SMITH
White
Female

Female

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

5959 Cahuenga Boulevard
Apartment D
North Hollywood, California
762-2442

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	Mrs. FRANK (EVELYN) SMITH, 1691 West Jefferson Boulevard, was interviewed concerning information she might possess regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She furnished the following information:
	She is employed as a relief powder room girl at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. Her duties include replenishing the supply of tissue and other items in the powder rooms of the hotel. In carrying out her duties, she generally moves between the several different powder rooms in the basement and lobby floor of the hotel.
	She was on duty until about 11:30 p.m., June 4, 1968. She had intended to stay after working hours so she could listen to and perhaps observe Senator KENNEDY; however, her husband was waiting for her outside the hotel to take her home, so she departed the hotel at 11:30 p.m.
	During the evening, several young people asked her where the Senator would deliver his victory address. She told them that it would probably be delivered in the Embassy Room. None of these people was SIRHAN SIRHAN, accused assassin of Senator KENNEDY. Further, she did not overhear any conversations which indicated a plot to assassinate the Senator.
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RALPH STILES SMITH, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was on duty at approximately 5:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m., June 4, 1963, following which time he went directly home. SMITH's duties were in the Regency Ballroom and he was never in the Embassy Ballroom.

A photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN was displayed to. SMITH and he stated that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

The following physical description of SMITH was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex
Race
Date of birth
Place of birth
Social Security No.
Residence

Male
White
October 31, 1904
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

16350 Leffingwell Road Whittier, California telephone 943-3930

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GEORGE SOLOMONIDES, Manager, Lautrec Restaurant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 10279 Casanes Avenue, Downey, California, and his home telephone number is 862-8254.

SOLOMONIDES advised he reported for work at about 11:00 AM, June 4, 1968. Shortly after 2:30 PM, same date, as SOLOMONIDES stood at the front entrance of the Lautrec, he observed the following-described person:

Race Caucasian
Sex Male
Age 28 years
Height 5'6"
Weight 140 pounds
Complexion Dark olive
Apparel Light blue

Light blue three-fourths length shirt or sweater; open in front. Tennis shoes, color unknown. No further apparel observed.

SOLOMONIDES stated the above—described person carried some white loose leaf or possibly newspapers under one arm as he wandered around the fountain in front of the Palm Room located in the main lobby. SOLOMONIDES recalled he only observed this individual for about two minutes, for he was then summoned from inside the restaurant. SOLOMONIDES stated he did not observe the above—described individual again. He viewed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was a close resemblance to the above—described person, but could not positively state it was SIRHAN.

SOLOMONIDES advised later on June 4, 1968, at about 10:30 PM, as he stood at the pantry door of the Lautrec Restaurant, the following—described individual attempted to walk through the pantry door:

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Race Caucasian

Sex Male

Age 26 to 27 years

Hair Blond

Apparel Beige business suit, white

shirt and tie

SOLOMONIDES told this individual that he could not enter the rear door of the restaurant, that he would have to proceed to his destination through the lobby. The abovedescribed person smiled, said nothing, then walked out the front entrance. About ten minutes later, this same person again attempted to enter the pantry door, however, SOLOMONIDES again stopped him. As before, no conversation took place, as this person again exited the front door.

SOLOMONIDES stated he did not have any further contact with either of the above-described individuals, and he closed the restaurant at about 11:15 PM. SOLOMONIDES immediately went home where he learned of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on televison. SOLOMONIDES could furnish no information of value in this investigation and advised the second described person positively was not SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. SOLOMONIDES stated that if the first-described individual was SIRHAN, June 4, 1968 was the first time he saw him.

SOLOMONIDES furnished the following information concerning himself:

Birth Data June 5, 1927

Larnaca, Cyprus

Height 5'6"

Weight 175 pounds

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INOCENSCO HERNANDEZ SOTELLO, Silver Polisher, Steward Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that on June 4, 1968 he worked from 3:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. He advised that during the entire day and evening he remained in the polishing room, thus did not observe any persons other then employees of the hotel. He stated he had no knowledge of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot until the morning of June 5, 1968, when he learned of this fact on the radio, since shortly after 11:00 P.M. he went directly home.

SOTELLO furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Weight
Social Security No.
Residence
Home Telephone

Zacateras, Zacateras, Mexico 5'5"

ZIZZ Deley Street, Los Angeles None

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ROSENDO SOTO, 1420 Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles, California, advised he was employed as a kitchen laborer at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, from about June 1 to June 8, 1968. He worked the 4:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. shift.

SOTO advised his regular day off was Tuesday, June 4, 1968, so that he did not work on that day, and was not at the Ambassador Hotel when United States Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. He had no information about the shooting other than what he had seen on television, and did not recognize a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

It is noted ROSENDO SOTO did not speak the English language so that he was interviewed in Spanish through the assistance of the apartment manager, Mrs. SANTILLAN.

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Miss COLLEEN ANN SPINING, Director of Agency and Tour Sales, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that she began work at the hotel on June 11. 1968 and therefore was never near the hotel on June 4, 1968.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Miss SPINING, and she advised that she has never seen this individual.

Miss SPINING is described as follows:

Race Sex Born White Female

October 29, 1942 Chickasha, Oklahoma 401 South Mariposa

Residence

Los Angeles, California

Telephone

(None as vet)

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