

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, WFO (173-135)

DATE: 7/17/68

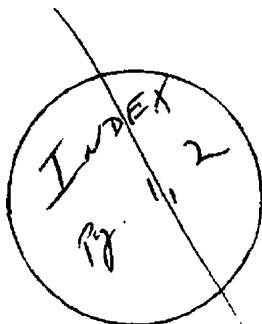
FROM : SA ROGER D. ASHLAND

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Mrs. NADINE RUSH, 1317 M Street, North West,  
Washington, D. C. advised SA ASHLAND on 7/15/68  
NORMAN WHEELOCK continues to reside at that address in  
her basement rear apartment. He has been in a drunken  
condition previous day and night. She added, he was  
not home and probably could be found in a bar somewhere.  
He beat her up previous night and upset things in her  
apartment. She said he is an alcoholic and mentally ill  
but she had been unable to have him committed. The Police  
had been called to check on him during the disturbance  
that evening but had not arrested WHEELOCK.

On 7/17/68, SAS ASHLAND and PHILIP E. COGHLAN  
obtained the following information from NORMAN WHEELOCK:  
He was drinking beer during the interview. On various days,  
while drinking, he had made statements indicating he was  
involved in a plot to kill SIRHAN SIRHAN. He does not know  
SIRHAN SIRHAN and has never been offered any money to kill  
SIRHAN. He said he would stop saying things like that to  
people.

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Name NORMAN WHEELLOCK  
Residence 1317 M Street, North West,  
Washington, D. C.  
(Basement rear apartment)

Date of birth  PII  
Place of birth Boston, Mass.  
U. S. Navy Serial # 8022693  
(Served in Navy from 1943-1945)

Employer: LESLIE ENGKING,  
(Contractor)  
Cheverly Terrace,  
Landover, Maryland

Race White  
Sex Male  
Height 6'  
Build Slender  
Hair Gray (Receding hair line)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, (FO) L73-135)

DATE: June 10, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN F. BYRNS

SUBJECT: 'KENSALT'

Mrs. NAOMIE RUSH, 1317 N St. NE, called to advise she learned from NORRAN WHEELLOCK (ph) that he had been offered \$5000.00 to kill SIRHAN SIRHAN, the alleged assailant of Senator R.F. KENNEDY. Mrs. RUSH said that WHEELLOCK is an alcoholic and is mentally ill but feels there might be a grain of truth in his statement.

Mrs. RUSH described WHEELLOCK as 6'feet tall, skeletal build and graying hair. He has lived with her for the past 20 years.

Above submitted for information, in the event it is deemed advisable to speak with WHEELLOCK concerning his allegation,



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SY/PRS

DATE: June 19, 1968

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FROM : RSO - LONDON

SUBJECT: Alleged Accusations made against Kennedy Family.

On June 12, 1968, Mrs. Naomi Gross, 13 Russel St., Toorak, Australia, (presently vacationing in London, England) appeared voluntarily at the American Embassy London, and furnished the following information:

Mrs. Gross stated she boarded Qantas flight 530 in Sydney, Australia at 7:00 PM, June 5, 1968, in route to London. Further, she said she was traveling first class and had sat next to a man who said his name was Clifford Flitty, an American industrialist with Amerada Petroleum Co. in Queensland, Australia, (the company is supposedly an American Canadian venture) who worked out of the company's head office in Brisbane. Mrs. Gross said Flitty also stated he was soon to become the new Vice-President of Union Carbide. Source described Flitty as a man of about 40 to 47 (he told her he was born in 1924), 5 feet 10 inches tall weight about 170 pounds, Gray hair, medium build, and wore glasses. Source reported the flight en route to London stopped at Fiji Island, Honolulu, San Francisco, New York, then London. She said before the plane landed at Fiji Island, Flitty stated "I wish someone would put a bullet between Bobby Kennedy's eyes, and I would wish I could pull the trigger myself." Further, source stated that prior to their landing at Honolulu, the announcement of the Kennedy shooting was announced to the passengers by the captain.

Source advised that when the plane landed in San Francisco, there was to be a four hour layover, and it was at this time the death of Robert Kennedy was announced. Further, she said Flitty stated he was going to send a telegram to Ted Kennedy which was to read "After Two how about you?" and said he may even sign it, and further stated "we will be rid of this trash forever." According to source Flitty talked about ordering champagne to celebrate the tragedy. (attached as exhibit # 1 is the alleged note to be sent to Ted Kennedy in Flitty's own handwriting).

Mrs. Gross reported Flitty disembarked at New York. She said he was traveling alone, and appeared to be in complete control of his faculties during the flight.

Mrs. Gross declined to give her London address, stating she did not wish to involve the people with whom she was staying.

It is the opinion of the reporting agent, that Mrs. Gross is a completely stable individual, was articulate in her speech, and gave every impression of being a highly intelligent woman.

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To: SAC, New York

From: Director, FBI

MENSALT

Attached is a copy of a communication received through Bureau Liaison from the Department of State, the contents of which are self-explanatory.

New York should immediately identify and set forth leads to locate Clifford Elitay through Union Carbide.

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Enclosure

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7/5/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-517)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)

SUBJECT: KENNEDY

Re Bureau airtel to New York dated 7/1/68.

Enclosed for Honolulu is copy of re airtel and letter of ECO-London, 6/1/68.

On 7/3/68, Miss MARJORIE HODINE, Personnel Director, Union Carbide Corporation (UCC), 275 Park Avenue, New York City, advised there was no ~~and~~ vice-president or employee named ~~CLIFFORD RILEY~~ with UCC nor any such name or similar name connected with employment.

Mr. G.A. PANSON, Assistant Secretary, UCC, advised that UCC employed no one named CLIFFORD RILEY nor did he recognize the name. He pointed out that there was no central list of employees throughout the whole country and only the New York Group would be listed here. He added that Mr. T.P. DAVINE would be familiar with any employee of the International Group.

Mr. THOMAS P. DEANEY, Manager of Compensation, International Personnel, 270 Park Avenue, advised that

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there was no CLIFFORD FLITTY working for his ECC group. He pointed out that ECC has 60,000-90,000 employees with no central location listing all of them. If FLITTY worked in New York or for International, he and personnel would have a knowledge of him, however, this was not the case. Mr. DRAHE will contact the NYO should he hear of any FLITTY.

On 7/3/68, Miss SUZANNE HURRY, ticket agent, Ventas Airways, 542 5th Avenue, New York City, advised that she would wire her Sydney, Australia office to determine if a CLIFFORD FLITTY was a passenger on their Sydney to London flight 530 on June 5, 1968 or if a similar named individual was a passenger. Miss HURRY stated that the record would take several days to obtain and would not necessarily include any address or background. She pointed out that the flight stopped at John F. Kennedy Airport and departing passengers would use the LSC Terminal.

On 7/3/68, Mr. CARL DE-GRAND, Assistant Customs Agent In Charge, Enforcement Division, 201 Varick, New York City, advised that international passengers would have to make a customs declaration and undergo an INS check, however, this would be done at the first U.S. port which in this case, would be Honolulu. He suggested that Customs Agent In Charge ARISTARCH, Honolulu, be contacted.

On 7/5/68, Mr. DON LUNNON, Ticket Handler, Ventas, advised that a Mr. CLIFFORD FLITTY did travel on flight 530 from Sydney to New York, first class, on June 5, 1968, arriving at New York on June 6, 1968, at 10:30 a.m. No address was available for him. The booking was made at Brisbane Office, Australia. He explained that the only information required from the passenger would have been a contact point at Brisbane where the reservation was made. He will attempt to obtain this information, but pointed out no New York address would have been taken.

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On 7/5/68, MARJORIE MODINE, UCC, advised that she had originally checked the name PLITTY under several variations and upon rechecking under PLITTIE she finds there is no such employee or officer of UCC.

NY indices negative on PLITTY and PLITTIE.  
Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, Staten Island, Nassau, Westchester, Rockland and Suffolk telephone directories negative.

LEAD:

HONOLULU

AT HONOLULU, HAWAII: Contact Mr. ARISTARQUE, U.S. Customs, and INS officials, re entry of CLIFFORD PLITTIE, aka Plitty, into U.S.A. on Qantas Flight 534, Sydney to London, 6/5/61, to ascertain U.S. address and proceed per Bureau instructions in enclosed airtel.

NYO will maintain contact with Qantas and advise Bureau of Australian addresses uncovered.



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PLAIN TEXT

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)  
SUBJECT: KENSALE

Re Bureau airtel to New York dated 7/1/68 and  
New York airtel to the Bureau dated 7/3/68.

On 7/3/68, Mr. BOB LUNNON, Ticket Manager, Qantas Airways, 542 5th Avenue, New York City, advised that his Brisbane, Australia office only had an Australian contact point for Mr. CLIFFORD FLITTIN and this was shown as in care of Amerada Petroleum Corporation of Australia, Ltd., 320 Queen Street, Brisbane, Australia. No other addresses or information was available except that Amerada was a big account of Qantas and the ticket was believed to be one-way.

NYO contemplates no further action in regard to  
FLITTIN, UACB.

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1- Honolulu (INFO)  
1- Los Angeles  
1- New York (44-1640)

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7/11/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-537)

FROM: SAC, HONOLULU (62-674) (RUC)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re New York airtel to Bureau dated 7/5/68.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOHN F. WILCOX on 7/11/68:

At Honolulu, Hawaii

JANE TOKUNAGA, Chief Clerk, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), was unable to locate any record in her files regarding CLIFFORD FLITTIE or FLITTY, who was on Qantas Airways Flight 530 from Sydney, Australia, to London, England, 6/5/68.

She commented that if this individual were a U.S. citizen, she would have no record of him in her files.

PHILLIP PIPER, Investigator, U.S. Customs, was unable to locate any record of CLIFFORD FLITTIE or FLITTY, who was on Qantas Airways Flight 530 from Sydney, Australia, to London, 6/5/68.

He commented that if there were such an individual on this flight and stopped at Honolulu, there

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still would be no record of this party if he did not deplane  
in Hawaii.

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Date: 7/18/68

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)  
 RE: KENSALT

RE: INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE CLIFFORD FLITTY

Re Bureau airtel to New York 7/1/68; New York airtel to Bureau 7/5/68; New York airtel to Bureau 7/9/68 and Honolulu airtel to Bureau 7/11/68.

Enclosed for Washington Field are copies of referenced communications in this matter.

In connection with the identification and location of FLITTY it is requested that the Bureau, through appropriate Legat, make inquiry at Brisbane, Australia, through the Amerada Petroleum Corporation of Australia Ltd, to further identify CLIFFORD FLITTY and if possibly to determine his location in the United States.

The New York Office is requested to determine if there is an office of the Amerada Petroleum Corporation of Australia Ltd., in New York and if so through this office attempt to identify FLITTY and determine his current location in the United States.

The Washington Field Office is requested to check passport records to determine if FLITTY holds a United States Passport and to furnish all background information available on FLITTY.

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 2 - New York (44-1640)  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M : Per \_\_\_\_\_

SAC, New York (44-154)

July 23, 1968

Director, FBI (62-587)

KENBALT

RE: INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE CLIFFORD FLITTY

Re Los Angeles airtel 7/18/68.

Prior to requesting Legat to make inquiry in Australia in an attempt to identify Clifford Flitty, it is desired that New York contact the office of the Amstar Petroleum Corporation in New York in an attempt to identify Flitty and determine his current location in the United States.

In the event it is impossible to locate Flitty through logical investigative channels in the United States, Los Angeles thereupon resubmit your request to have appropriate inquiry made in Australia by Legat.

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)  
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-684) (Ruc)  
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtel to Baltimore, dated  
7/8/68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are 30 copies of  
an FD-302, reflecting the interview with MAX JOHNSON,  
Baltimore Afro-American.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135) (P)

KENSALT  
(OO:LA)

ReWFOairtel to Bureau and LA dated 6/7/68  
concerning various individuals with surname SIRHAN.

SA KENNETH J. HASER determined on 7/22/68  
that passport [REDACTED] was issued at Washington, D.C.  
on 7/19/68 to one GHALIB AID SIRHAN, born [REDACTED] at  
Taybeh, Palestine for proposed three weeks travel to  
Israel to visit his parents, with departure planned  
for about 8/2/68 by air. This passport is valid for  
three years for all countries except Cuba, Mainland  
China, North Korea and North Vietnam.

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His permanent address is 6251 Kenilworth,  
Dearborn, Michigan.

Examination of this passport file reveals that  
above individual is son of AID SALIM SIRHAN, born [REDACTED]  
residing 1965 at 17325 Spranger Street, East Detroit,  
Michigan and one of the individuals mentioned in re  
airtel.

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- 2 - Los Angeles (AM)
- 1 - Detroit (Info) (AM)
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WFO does not know what relationship, if any, GHALIB is to SIRHAN BASHARA SIRHAN of captioned case, but is calling his case to attention of Bureau in case he is related, particularly since this concerns an Arab named SIRHAN who plans to visit Israel at this time.

Info copy hereof to Detroit covering GHALIB'S address. No further action being taken by WFO.

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PLAIN TEXT

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)  
SUBJECT: KIRKALIT

Re Bureau airtel to New York dated 7/1/68;  
New York airtels to the Bureau dated 7/5 and 7/9/68; Los  
Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 7/18/68 and Bureau letter  
to New York dated 7/22/68.

On 7/23/68, Mr. GERALD DUCK, Assistant Secretary,  
Amarada Petroleum Corporation, 51 West 51st Street, New York,  
New York, advised that Amarada Petroleum Corporation of Australia,  
Ltd., was a subsidiary of his corporation. CLIFFORD G.  
FLITTIE is a Vice-President of the subsidiary corporation and  
DUCK believed him to be representing the company in  
England.

Miss CLOTILDE REGAZZI, secretary to the Secretary,  
Amarada Petroleum Corporation, advised that CLIFFORD G.  
FLITTIE had returned to his new assignment in Australia  
from England and could be located at Amarada Petroleum Corporation  
Of Australia, Ltd., 10th floor, Guardian Building, 380 Queen

- 3- Bureau
- 1- Honolulu (INFO)
- 2- Los Angeles (56-156)
- 2- Washington Field
- 1- New York

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Street, Brisbane, Australia. The mailing address is GPO  
Box 1388, Brisbane, Australia.

Since NYO is not in possession of investigation  
at Honolulu, leads for Logat, Manila, are being left to  
discretion of Los Angeles and the Bureau.

NYO taking no further action in this matter.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/22/68

VIRGINIA GUY, 4319 18th Street, N.W., furnished the following information:

Mrs. GUY takes photographs for Pictorial Parade whose main office is at 130 W. 42nd Street, New York City. Mrs. GUY was with the KENNEDY and McCARTHY Campaign Party in Oregon and she was with the KENNEDY Party in California.

On the night of June 4, 1968, Mrs. GUY was in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel. She took pictures in the Embassy Room up to and during Senator KENNEDY's victory speech.

Mrs. GUY left the Embassy Room before KENNEDY finished speaking. She did not know where he was going after his speech and knew only that he was going to a party at the Factory. KENNEDY kept speaking longer than Mrs. GUY thought he was going to and she walked around in the halls of the Ambassador waiting for him to finish. She walked into the kitchen area and was surprised to see KENNEDY and the people with him walking towards her. She had entered the area from the opposite end the Senator entered.

She was about 15 feet away from the Senator when she turned her back to him and began swiftly walking away so that she could take a better picture of him. While she was walking away, she heard some noises which sounded like fire crackers. A few steps later, she turned around and saw the Senator falling. At that time she was further away from the Senator than she had been when she first saw him. Mrs. GUY took no pictures after she left the Embassy Room where the Senator was making his Victory Speech.

On 7/12/68 at Washington, D. C.

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by SAs JOHN L. PATTERSON and  
ALLEN GABER:mem

Date dictated 7/17/68



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Mrs. GUY did not remember ever having seen SIRHAN before, either that evening or during the campaign. She remembered seeing no girl in a polka dot dress in the Ambassador Hotel that evening.

Later Mrs. GUY saw BILL BARRY and RALPH JOHNSON in the area at the time she has a hard time remembering exactly what happened. She stated that because of the confusion into her and caused her tooth to be chipped, but she is not positive of this. She thinks that SIRHAN was the same person who ran holding an individual down on a counter who she learned was SIRHAN, she thinks that SIRHAN was the same person who ran into her and caused her tooth to be chipped, but she is not positive of this. She stated that because of the confusion in the area at the time she has a hard time remembering exactly what happened.

Mrs. GUY felt that this individual had something metal in his hand and believed that it was a Russian editor. She thinks that the object was a gun, although she did not really see the object. In the confusion that followed the shooting of the Senator, someone ran into Mrs. GUY and his fist struck her mouth where it chipped the corner of her upper center teeth. She did not feel the person purposely hit her in the mouth but did it as he ran into her. This person came from in front of her in the direction of Senator KENNEDY.



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7/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135) (P)  
KENSALT

Reairtel from LA 7/18/68.

Files, Passport Office, Department of State, reviewed by SA KENNETH J. HASER on 7/26/68, disclose that CLIFFORD GILLILAND FLITTIE was last issued passport [REDACTED] at Consulate, Brisbane, Australia, on 1/8/68, for proposed continued indefinite travel abroad. No specific travel plans mentioned in his application dated 1/4/68, at Brisbane. This passport was valid for three years' travel to all countries except Cuba, Mainland China, North Korea and North Vietnam.

Under current passport regulations, this individual may use this passport for lawful travel within period of its validity whenever and as often as desired without further notification to Department of State or other Government agency. Passport Office does not receive info as to whether or when a passport is used for foreign travel.

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This individual stated he was born [redacted] at Brookings, South Dakota. He gave his permanent residence and foreign address as Flat 7c, Torbrek (?), Highgate Hill, Brisbane, Australia. In the event of death or accident, he requested that either Mr. E.G. FLITTIE, Box 3002 University Station, Laramie, Wyoming, or Mrs. C.G. FLITTIE, Flat 7c Torbrek (?), 182 Dornoch (?) Terrace, Brisbane, Australia, be notified. He listed his father as THEODORE I. FLITTIE, born Medelia, Minnesota, [redacted] deceased, and mother as GRACE E. GILLILAND, born Fairfield, Iowa, [redacted] deceased.

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FLITTIE stated he was last married 5/22/54, to DAWN LEE (FLITTIE), born [redacted] at New York City, residing with him, marriage not terminated.

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This individual was previously issued passport [redacted] at New York City on 4/1/63, but application for this passport was not available at this time. This 1963 passport was renewed at Brisbane, date not given, but probably in 1966, to expire 4/1/68, at which time he had same foreign address as above. He gave his United States address on this occasion as c/o HOWARD LEE, 15 Jacobus (?) Place, New York City 10463. He stated his plans for return to United States were indefinite and his reason for being abroad was as manager of oil exploiting company.

The following description appeared in his file:

Height:	6 feet 1 inch
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Brown
Social Security #:	[redacted]
Occupation:	Geologist

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The file contain no further info re his employment in Australia.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: 7/30/68

*JWA*  
FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: KENSALT ✓  
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

In connection with current inquiries being conducted into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy at Los Angeles, California, numerous communications have been received at the Bureau from individual field offices with no copies being designated to the Los Angeles Office, which is office of origin.

In order that the Los Angeles Office may be completely aware of all facets of this investigation, and in order that the office of origin may properly supervise the direction of this investigation, each field division and Legal Attache should insure that copies of all communications dealing with the Kensalt investigation be designated to Los Angeles.

- 2 - All Offices
- 2 - All Legal Attaches

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135) (P)

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PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY  
AND OTHERS BEFORE ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY WHICH  
MAY INCLUDE SIRHAN SIRHAN

HUGH J. MC DONALD, Assistant Press Secretary, Office of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY furnished to SA ROGER D. ASHLAND on 7/31/68, a photograph taken by STEVE SCHAPIRO at the Los Angeles International Airport in May, 1968. This photograph shows KENNEDY shaking hands with an unidentified individual while another person who resembles SIRHAN SIRHAN is standing beside KENNEDY with his hand outstretched to shake hands with KENNEDY. WILLIAM BARRY of the KENNEDY staff is on the other side of KENNEDY in the photograph. MC DONALD said STEVE SCHAPIRO does a lot of photographic work for the "New York Daily News" and is identified as Black Star. SCHAPIRO's office is in New York.

This photograph was taken by SA ASHLAND on 7/31/68, to SA WILLIAM J. HUGGINS, Photographic Section of the FBI Laboratory where two negatives were made of the photo and the photo was returned to SA ASHLAND.

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REQUEST OF BUREAU

Laboratory is requested to develop negatives of above-described photograph and blow up photograph for determination whether SIRHAN SIRHAN appears in the photograph.



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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/24/68

Mr. JOHN HERBERS, "New York Times" correspondent assigned to the Washington, D. C. Bureau, furnished the following information:

He accompanied the campaign party of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY through Oregon and California, having joined the group in the middle of March 1968.

At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY he was in the temporary press headquarters located in the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

Senator KENNEDY's victory speech was watched by Mr. HERBERS and other members of the press corps on a television set in the Colonial Room. About the time Senator KENNEDY was giving his speech they were notified the Senator would come to the press room for a news conference for the "writing press". It had been understood during the evening of June 4, 1968, that the Senator would appear before the press, however, the exact time was not known until the election trend had been firmly established. Approximately five minutes before the shooting, they were notified the Senator would be there shortly.

Mr. HERBERS stated there were probably between six hundred and a thousand people in the Embassy Room where the victory speech was given. Because of the crowd, KENNEDY staff workers and the members of the press were using the kitchen area as a corridor between the Embassy Room and the Colonial Room.

While still working in the press room (Colonial Room), HERBERS heard gun shots in the kitchen area. At the time they sounded like firecrackers, however, he rushed into the

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kitchen area where the shots came from and described the scene as "utter chaos". By working his way forward he observed BILL BARRY near the end of the warming counters struggling with someone. He also saw ROSIE GRIER and RAFAEL JOHNSON struggling with the same person.

Mr. HERBERS then saw SIRHAN SIRHAN for the first time, and described him as having dark hair and an olive complexion.

He observed a dark Latin-type man beating on SIRHAN SIRHAN's head. Mr. HERBERS had never seen this individual before and described him as in his late thirties or early forties, medium height, and heavy set.

At about the same time he saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor.

In the immediate vicinity he observed FRED BULTON, an assistant to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY; DIN GIFFORD, an assistant to Senator EDWARD KENNEDY; and DICK DRAYNE, ROBERT KENNEDY's press secretary.

Mr. HERBERS did not see any girl or woman in a polka dot dress.

He was sure he had not seen SIRHAN SIRHAN before the instant when he observed him struggling with Mr. BARRY in the kitchen area after the shooting.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/24/68

Mr. PAT FERGUSON, Correspondent for the Baltimore Sun newspaper, Washington Bureau, National Press Building, Washington, D. C., furnished the following information:

He accompanied the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on the California Primary trip. At the time of the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY, in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, he was out of the hotel getting something to eat and did not observe anything directly in connection with the assassination. At no time during any of Senator KENNEDY's speeches in California did he ever see SIRHAN SIRHAN, the alleged assassin of Mr. KENNEDY, and does not recall seeing any girl in a polka dot dress alleged to have been seen talking to SIRHAN sometime prior to the assassination. He was unable to furnish any pertinent information in connection with the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY or any information concerning the alleged assassin.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/25/68

Mr. CHARLES "CHUCK" BAILEY, Minneapolis Tribune, Washington Bureau, National Press Building, Washington, D.C., (WDC), furnished the following information:

He accompanied the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on both the Oregon and California Primary and was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the morning of June 5, 1968, when Senator KENNEDY was assassinated. At the exact time of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY, he was in the Colonial Room of the Hotel Ambassador along with the other newspaper people waiting for Mr. KENNEDY to come into the Colonial Room for an informal press conference. Separating the Colonial Room from the kitchen of the hotel were double swinging doors and then another set of double swinging doors arranged in such a manner that people in the Colonial Room could not see into the kitchen when a waiter came out of the serving kitchen. It was his understanding that immediately after Mr. KENNEDY gave a victory talk on television, he intended to come into the Colonial Room and talk to the reporters gathered there awaiting him. He believes that it was one of the press secretaries of Mr. KENNEDY, the exact one he could not recall, who made these arrangements, but that in any event it was his understanding at the time that Mr. KENNEDY would come directly from his TV talk to the Colonial Room and that reporters there would be able to ask him questions concerning his primary victory and future plans. He saw on a TV set that Mr. KENNEDY had finished his speech and so then he immediately moved closer to the door so he would have a better position in proximity to Mr. KENNEDY to ask questions. He then heard a loud bang which at first sounded to him like someone was banging a serving tray on one of the stainless steel warming counters. This was immediately followed by four other "bang" like noises, and then it dawned on him that these were actually shots from a gun. He distinctly recalled only hearing five bangs although subsequent events revealed that actually eight shots were fired from a gun. He immediately went through the double set of swinging doors into the serving kitchen, and the place was "complete bedlam." He noticed someone struggling with an individual but actually only saw

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this individual's forearm raised in the air and someone grabbing at it. He cannot recall actually seeing a gun in the hand of the alleged assassin. He then left the serving kitchen immediately and went to the nearest phone to call his paper. When he finished the call, he went back to the serving kitchen, it being only a matter of perhaps ten or fifteen minutes; and at this time the police were taking out of the hotel the alleged assassin of Mr. KENNEDY, SIRHAN SIRHAN. On this occasion he got a reasonably good view of SIRHAN. He does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN before that time either in the hotel or at any of the campaign stops. He did not see any girl at any time wearing a polka dot dress and could furnish no information whatsoever concerning this alleged individual.

On the previous Sunday before the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY, he was in the group of newspapermen who "covered" Mr. KENNEDY's trip to Disneyland and did not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in any of the crowds gathered around Mr. KENNEDY at Disneyland.

Mr. BAILEY was unable to furnish any additional pertinent information.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/26/68

JOSEPH D. GIORDANO, Office Manager, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's Office, New Senate Office Building, advised that he was with the Senator during the Los Angeles Presidential Primary. He stated that when the Senator made his victory speech in the Embassy Room, Ambassador Hotel, June 4th, 1968, he accompanied the Senator to the stage from KENNEDY's hotel suite.

After the Senator's speech, according to GIORDANO, KENNEDY departed the stage area by walking to the rear, through a hallway and into the kitchen. KENNEDY was making his way toward the Colonial Room and planned to talk with the "pencil-press". GIORDANO said he, GIORDANO, was just leaving balloons breaking. He was told KENNEDY had been shot. He hastened to the area and observed the Senator lying on the kitchen floor. About this time, he saw ROSIE GRIER, a professional football player, holding an individual with a gun.

GIORDANO took up a position at the Senator's side and assured him he would be alright and to remain quiet. When an ice pack arrived he held it to the Senator's head, and recalls seeing WILLIAM BARRY taking off his coat and placing it under the Senator's head. He stated when the ambulance arrived he accompanied BARRY and the others to the hospital.

GIORDANO related that he does not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in the area prior to the shooting. He mentioned that at about 3:00 a.m., June 5, 1968, he recalled

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seeing an unknown white female with a polka-dot dress talking to a police officer outside room number 507. He related this conversation lasted about three to five minutes. He only recalls the dress was white with large dots about the size of a silver dollar; he believes the dots were black or dark blue. GIORDANO feels that because of the time this may not be important but recalls the incident for what it might be worth.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/28/68

JOHN WILLIAM LEWIS, 11606 Vantage Hill, Arlington, Virginia, was interviewed on June 20, 1968, and furnished the following information:

He stated he works as the electrician with the crew of JIM WILSON and BOB FUNK. The crew had been under contract to Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), Washington, D. C., for coverage of Senator KENNEDY's presidential campaign. LEWIS said he was not on the Oregon campaign, except the last night, due to being on his honeymoon.

On the night of the assassination the crew was in Senator KENNEDY's suite of rooms before the speech in the Embassy Room. As they left to go to the Embassy Room the Senator rode down on the elevator and the crew ran down five flights of stairs. They filmed the speech from the stage. After the speech LEWIS said BILL BARRY said, "BOBBY, we're supposed to go this way." "This way" meant through the crowd. The Senator answered "No" and headed down the steps toward the rear. LEWIS said they followed about ten to twelve feet behind. He first heard the shots when they reached the swinging doors. It sounded like a "pop" then a number of shots in rapid succession. He and the crew rushed forward, still filming and knelt down to KENNEDY's head. LEWIS said he told JIMMY to keep shooting. JIMMY was crying and shouting and was not looking through the view finder. LEWIS stated he grabbed the lens and aimed it the best he could. At the end of the magazine JIMMY said, "I can't do anymore, we're out of film." LEWIS said he ran to the Colonial Room and got another magazine. He fought his way back to the kitchen and gave the magazine to BOB FUNK. JIMMY then threaded the film and laid the camera aside. LEWIS said he helped block the entrance, where KENNEDY was eventually taken out, with two laundry carts.

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When the ambulance arrived LEWIS said he got the camera and gave it to JERRY SIMS and they followed the ambulance in a cab and filmed the rest of the events at both hospitals.

LEWIS stated he could not recall seeing SIRHAN before seeing him on television. He did not see the girl in the polka dot dress.

The other news media men he said he could recall in the corridor were JOHN HART, CBS, Washington, D. C., and JERRY SIMS, free lance, Los Angeles.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/1/68

FRANK MANKIEWICZ, Press Secretary to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on his presidential campaign advised that he and PIERRE SALINGER had planned that Senator KENNEDY, following his victory speech in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, would then go to a room occupied by SALINGER which was to the right of Senator KENNEDY and then the Senator would go on to the Colonial Room.

He stated when Senator KENNEDY finished his talk he left the podium and proceeded toward the Colonial Room which was off to his left. He said he attached no significance to the fact Senator KENNEDY proceeded in the direction of the Colonial Room, as the routes taken by Senator KENNEDY were not definite and he often went directly into a crowd rather than through some easier and less crowded route as planned. He stated BILL BARRY or FRED DUTTON might possibly know why Senator KENNEDY proceeded to the Colonial Room after his talk.

MANKIEWICZ stated he trailed Senator KENNEDY by about ten to twelve feet as he moved toward the Colonial Room. He said as he passed through some double doors he heard a noise, similar to the sound of fire crackers, and thought it was inappropriate to be setting off fire crackers.

He stated he never saw SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assassin of Senator KENNEDY, and as he moved forward he recalled seeing PAUL SCHRADE, a United Auto Workers official, lying on the floor about two feet from the body of Senator KENNEDY.

He said he then saw a "tableau" of arms in a struggle and a gun lying on a table. He said he could not see the head of the man the group was struggling with.

He estimated that fifteen people were between him and Senator KENNEDY when the shots were fired.

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He said a Mr. UECKER, an Ambassador Hotel employee, was leading Senator KENNEDY through the narrow passage way enroute to the Colonial Room.

He stated that Mrs. GEORGE PLIMPTON reportedly walked past the suspected assassin, SIRHAN SIRHAN, and saw a gun in SIRHAN's hand just before the shooting.

MANCIEWICZ stated as he trailed Senator KENNEDY on his route, he could not be of more assistance and thus could furnish no additional information.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/1/68

DUN GIFFORD, Legal Assistant to Senator EDWARD KENNEDY advised he served as State Co-ordinator in the presidential campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

GIFFORD stated he was on the podium when Senator ROBERT KENNEDY made his victory talk to those gathered in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel.

GIFFORD said that following KENNEDY's talk, he was to leave the podium and go to his right, as he faced the audience, where PIERRE SALINGER had planned to talk to him. He said that KENNEDY, however, went to his left going in the direction of the Colonial Room.

GIFFORD believed that either FRED DUTTON or BILL BARRY might have decided on the route to be taken by Senator KENNEDY after his speech.

GIFFORD said he followed Senator KENNEDY and saw him, BARRY and DUTTON pass through a double door entrance in the kitchen area, GIFFORD trailing by about seventeen feet.

He stated he saw an individual, later identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN, step out from the right and he heard one shot, a short delay, then heard five more shots.

He said he cannot say he actually saw SIRHAN fire the shots, although he saw him with a gun. He said he then saw BARRY strike SIRHAN, and recalls SIRHAN was on the floor, a gun was on the floor, and SIRHAN, on his hands and knees, was moving toward the gun.

He stated ROOSEVELT GRIER, RAFAEL JOHNSON, GEORGE PLIMPTON and he held SIRHAN. He said JOHNSON held him by his lower body, GIFFORD having a hold on his head while all

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four of them were attempting to get the gun from SIRHAN's hand.

GIFFORD said that all four of them leaned across SIRHAN's body, and their combined hands grasped SIRHAN's gun hand. He said they removed their hands, one at a time, permitting GRIER to wrest the gun from SIRHAN. He said he believed GRIER, upon removing the gun, handed it to JOHNSON.

GIFFORD said SIRHAN did not say a word, at first appearing composed, and then appeared terrified as the crowd reacted to what had occurred.

GIFFORD stated he had never seen SIRHAN before the moment he saw him holding the gun. He said he recalled that JESSE UNRUH was standing on a steam table calling for the police and an ambulance.

He said Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor and another man, also lay on the floor, both lying head to toe in a line, as he moved toward SIRHAN.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/5/68

CHARLES N. QUINN, Correspondent, National Broadcasting Company (NBC), 4001 Nebraska Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised that he was assigned to the coverage of the KENNEDY Presidential Campaign since March 28, 1968, and followed the campaign until Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated.

QUINN advised that he was in the Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles, California, on June 5, 1968. He was on as news commentator for the midnight news. Just as he was about to finish his news broadcast, he heard a lot of screaming and shrieking and someone ran into the room and shouted that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. He immediately left the room and forced himself through crowds of people into the kitchen area. He walked up to Senator KENNEDY who was lying on the floor with his head in what appeared to be blood. QUINN got up on a serving table and stayed there until Senator KENNEDY was removed from the room.

QUINN advised that Senator KENNEDY was awake while he was lying on the floor. QUINN recalled hearing a voice, similar to Senator KENNEDY's saying "Can you please step back so I can have some air." Senator KENNEDY was fingering a rosary on his waist line and ETHEL KENNEDY was rubbing his chest. ETHEL seemed to be calm.

QUINN advised that when Senator KENNEDY was picked up by three or four men, he said about five times in a very painful voice, "No!" KENNEDY was placed on a stretcher, and his eyes were now closed. QUINN did not know if Senator KENNEDY was unconscious.

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QUINN advised that there was much confusion in the room and it seemed like such a long time between the time Senator KENNEDY was shot and when he was removed on the stretcher.

QUINN advised that he recalled seeing ETHEL KENNEDY, Mrs. JEAN SMITH, BILL BARRY, DICK TUCK (advance man for Senator KENNEDY), FRANK MANKIEWICZ (Press Secretary for Senator KENNEDY), PIERS ANDERTON, of KNBC, Los Angeles, California, and his crew were on the spot taking pictures, and possibly JULES WITCOVER, of the Baltimore Sun. QUINN advised that he was not personally with any other newsmen, and when Senator KENNEDY was removed from the area, he returned on television and reported what news he could about the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

QUINN advised that he accompanied Senator KENNEDY on both the Oregon and California primaries. He did not know the plans and scheduled route of Senator KENNEDY after his victory speech. He had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN before, and did not see him during the day of the shooting, to the best of his recollection. He recalled seeing many polka-dot dresses among the crowd surrounding Senator KENNEDY, but did not recall any particular person. He knew there was a change in Senator KENNEDY's route. The Senator was to go through the ballroom after his speech, and a last-minute change took place, according to JIM DUNN, who recorded all of Senator KENNEDY's speeches. DUNN did not say why the change was made.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/8/68

DAVID ADAMSON, Correspondent, London Daily Telegraph, 1200 National Press Building, furnished the following information:

ADAMSON covered the Oregon and California primaries for his newspaper dividing his time between the MC CARTHY and KENNEDY campaigns. During the campaigning in Los Angeles, ADAMSON spent his entire time with the KENNEDY organization. During KENNEDY's victory speech ADAMSON was in the Embassy listening to the speech. ADAMSON knew KENNEDY intended to have a press conference in the temporary press room after the speech but did not know how KENNEDY intended to get to the press room.

KENNEDY left the Embassy Room and ADAMSON attempted to follow him. ADAMSON was about 15 yards behind KENNEDY when KENNEDY entered the kitchen area and the shooting occurred. ADAMSON did not hear the shots and never got to the kitchen. ADAMSON did not see SIRHAN or KENNEDY after the shooting.

ADAMSON does not remember seeing SIRHAN at any time during the campaign in either California or Oregon. ADAMSON said he could give no additional information regarding the assassination.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/8/68

HILLARY LAMB, research assistant, London Sunday Times, National Press Building, furnished the following information:

Miss LAMB was in California during the primary campaign in her capacity as an employee of the London Sunday Times. However, she did not cover the campaign and her duties were confined to the Los Angeles Times Building. The only time Miss LAMB was with the KENNEDY party was the night of June 4, 1968. She was at the Ambassador Hotel that evening. At the time of KENNEDY's victory speech she was in the press room in the Colonial Room. LAMB had been told that KENNEDY would come to the press room after the victory speech. She did not know which route he would take to the room.

Before the Senator arrived, LAMB heard what she thought were balloons breaking. She then learned he had been shot. Miss LAMB did not see KENNEDY after the shooting and does not remember seeing SIRHAN at the hotel any time that evening. Miss LAMB does not remember seeing a girl in a polka dot dress at the hotel.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/8/68

GEFFERY HODGSON, Correspondent, London Sunday Times National Press Club Building, furnished the following information:

HODGSON spent the last ten days of the California Primary Campaign in California traveling with the KENNEDY and MC CARTHY parties. At the time of KENNEDY's victory speech, HODGSON was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel listening to the speech in person. He was accompanied by BRUCE PAGE and ANTHONY CLIFTON, also of the Sunday London Times.

As soon as KENNEDY finished his speech and before he began to move through the crowd, HODGSON, PAGE and CLIFTON left the Embassy Room by going down an iron staircase to the parking lot. They did this to avoid getting trapped in the crowd. They did not know which way the Senator would go after making his speech or what his exact plans were.

While outside HODGSON heard about the shooting and he went back inside the hotel. He went towards the kitchen area but was unable to enter the area because of the crowds. He did not see the Senator or SIRHAN at that time.

HODGSON does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN at any time during the campaign. In addition he does not remember seeing any girl at the Ambassador Hotel who was wearing a polka dot dress.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/28/68

ADAM WALINSKY, Legislative Assistant in Senate, and speech writer for the late Senator ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY, was interviewed in Room 3327, New Senate Office Building. He said he traveled with KENNEDY in the Oregon and California primary campaigns. During the evening of June 4, 1968, WALINSKY and Mrs. WALINSKY had a room in the fifth floor KENNEDY Suite at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. WALINSKY congratulated Senator KENNEDY upon winning the primary in California. WALINSKY remained in the suite to watch the television broadcast of KENNEDY's victory speech in the Embassy Room. After KENNEDY completed the speech, WALINSKY stood in the doorway of the KENNEDY suite talking as CAROL WELCH told WALINSKY, "PIERRE just called and something is wrong with the Senator. You had better go down and see what is the matter". WALINSKY said he walked into the hall with SWANIE VON HEINSCHL and was still talking with VON HEINSCHL when CAROL said, "There really is something wrong with the Senator." WALINSKY said CAROL gave him a push and said, "Get going". WALINSKY then rushed down the stairs and turned and left. There were a lot of people coming out of the room. WALINSKY pushed through and got to the door of the Colonial Room. A hotel security guard in front of the door would not let WALINSKY in, but a press representative spoke to the guard and he let WALINSKY through.

WALINSKY said he saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor and KENNEDY's wife, ETHEL, was bending over him. WALINSKY saw four or five policemen take SIRHAN SIRHAN out. WALINSKY said he had never seen SIRHAN before.

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WALINSKY was unable to furnish any information about KENNEDY's plans for the evening or any change in plans for speaking to the people in the other ballroom.

WALINSKY furnished the name of another speech writer for KENNEDY as JEFF GREENFIELD, 17 Third Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C. He said GREENFIELD was in the KENNEDY Suite on the fifth floor of the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the shooting.

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Re WFO letter to Los Angeles 6/25/68.

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DAVID ADAMSON  
HILLARY LAMB  
JEFFERY HODGSON  
VIRGINIA GUY  
JOHN WILLIAM LEWIS  
JOHN HERBERS  
CHARLES H. QUINN  
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WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D.C. Will, when advised by Los Angeles, continue efforts to interview PIERRE SALINGER.



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FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135)

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RE PETE HAMILL, FREE LANCE WRITER AND RE NEW YORK TEL  
WFO JUNE TWENTY-SEVEN LAST.

NICK THIMPESCH, WASHINGTON BUREAU NEWSDAY NEWSPAPER,  
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YORK CITY AFTER RETURNING FROM IRELAND. HAMILL WRITING  
FREE-LANCE ARTICLES FOR VILLAGE VOICE AND COSMOPOLITAN  
MAGAZINE. HAMILL RETURNED EARLY AS DID MONICA MC CALL,  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/26/68

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Mr. FREDERICK GARY DUTTON, Attorney, 1225 19th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised he was an aide to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on his Presidential campaign, handling scheduling and travel arrangements.

He stated that Senator KENNEDY left his Ambassador Hotel suite at about 11:30 p.m. to make a victory talk to those gathered in the Embassy Room of the hotel. He said he accompanied KENNEDY from his suite, using a service elevator and passing through an area where KENNEDY was later shot. He said that en route to the Embassy Room he did not note any particular crowd in the area where the Senator was shot.

DUTTON said he was aware that a large crowd had gathered in the Embassy Room as well as in a lower ballroom for the expected appearance of Senator KENNEDY. He said these crowds had become rather loud and somewhat unruly awaiting the appearance of the Senator.

DUTTON stated he decided that upon the completion of Senator KENNEDY's victory talk, the Senator would go to the Colonial Room where the press had gathered, rather than to go down to the lower ballroom.

He said Senator KENNEDY left the podium at the rear of the platform and he followed the Senator, accompanied by Mrs. KENNEDY. DUTTON said he did not tell Senator KENNEDY that he was to proceed to the Colonial Room but believed that BILL BARRY had done so, as BARRY was aware of the plan.

He stated he trailed Senator KENNEDY by about seven to eight feet when he heard a snapping noise, similar to the sound of fire-crackers. He said upon learning that Senator KENNEDY had been shot, he proceeded directly to KENNEDY, passing another man lying on the floor, later identified as PAUL SCHRADER.

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