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SSAN	[REDACTED]
Height	5'7"
Weight	120 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Arrests	3/28/73, Honolulu, Hawaii, for assault, HPD #16573
Education	Virginia Military Academy and George Washington College
Military Service	U. S. Marine Corps, served in Vietnam
Parents	First Names Only - JOCOUB (father) and LATCHMAN (mother), 618 Aspirin, Washington, D.C.
Marital Status	Single
Miscellaneous	Has resided in the United States for 28 years, lived three years in Hawaii, and arrived in Hawaii from Los Angeles, California

MARTIN stated that no record could be found of subject's birth in Hawaii and that none of the information above has been independently verified. However, a photograph of the subject is available.

UACB, the Phoenix Division is conducting no further inquiry concerning the above information and this case is considered RUC.

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SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN; EDWARD KENNEDY, U.S. SENATOR FROM
MASSACHUSETTS - VICTIM, CAS (A), OO: SAN FRANCISCO.

RE PHOENIX TELETYPE TO BUREAU, BOSTON, SAN FRANCISCO,
AND WFO, NOVEMBER 29, 1977.

FOR INFORMATION LOS ANGELES, PORTLAND, AND SACRAMENTO,
PHOENIX REPORTED THAT THOMAS LAWRENCE ORTEGA, MEXICAN
AMERICAN, DOB DECEMBER 5, 1952, FBI NUMBER 747 599 G,
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS NUMBER B-64618,
SSAN [REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED AT THE COCO NINO COUNTY

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JAIL, FLAGSTAFF, AIRZONA, AND SAID THAT WHILE HE WAS CONFINED AT THE CORRECTIONAL TRAINING FACILITY (CTF), SOLEDAD, CALIFORNIA, HE WAS LODGED AT THE PROTECTIVE CUSTODY UNIT WHERE SIRHAN SIRHAN WAS ALSO CONFINED. DURING THAT TIME, SIRHAN ALLEGEDLY OFFERED HIM ONE MILLION DOLLARS AND A CAR TO KILL U.S. SENATOR KENNEDY.

ON NOVEMBER 30, 1977, MR. ALF CHRISTENSEN, COUNSELOR, CTF, INFORMED THAT HE WAS THE COUNSELOR TO ORTEGA WHILE ORTEGA WAS CONFINED AT THE PCU SECTION. CHRISTENSEN STATED THAT ORTEGA IS A NOTORIOUS LIAR AND THAT HE WAS CONSTANTLY PROVIDING THE STAFF WITH OUTRAGEOUS STORIES CONCERNING OTHER INMATES WHILE CONFINED AT CTF. CHRISTENSEN SAID THAT ORTEGA IS A TRANSEXUAL KNOWN TO THE INMATES WHERE HE WAS CONFINED AS TERESA. ORTEGA WAS A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF AN INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS DOMINGO BARROS, WHO WAS ALSO CONFINED AT THE PCU. BARROS WAS ALSO A PATHOLOGICAL LIAR.

CHRISTENSEN STATED THAT RECORDS REVEALED ORTEGA WAS PAROLED ON JANUARY 20, 1977, TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PAROLE IN OXNARD, CALIFORNIA. DOMINGO BARROS WAS

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PAROLED ON JANUARY 28, 1977, TO THE WEST LOS ANGELES PAROLE UNIT NUMBER 3. CHRISTENSEN STATED THAT SIRHAN SIRHAN WAS NEVER CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH ORTEGA AND THAT ORTEGA NEVER DID MAKE ANY TYPE OF ALLEGATION TO THE STAFF THAT HE AND SIRHAN SIRHAN WERE NOT GETTING ALONG.

ON DECEMBER 1, 1977, LIEUTENANT DON HILL WAS CONTACTED AT CTF. LIEUTENANT HILL INFORMED THAT HE WAS THE INVESTIGATIVE LIEUTENANT DURING THE TIME THAT ORTEGA WAS CONFINED AT THE PCU. LIEUTENANT HILL STATED THAT ORTEGA IS COMPLETELY UNRELIABLE AND ASSOCIATED WITH INDIVIDUALS OF LIKE UNRELIABILITY. ORTEGA WAS A NOTORIOUS TRANSEXUAL WHO WAS CONSTANTLY CAUSING PROBLEMS IN THAT REGARD AND HE WAS KNOWN AS TERESA BY THE OTHER INMATES. LIEUTENANT HILL STATED THAT SERGEANT SMITH WAS THE INDIVIDUAL WHO KNEW ORTEGA BEST.

ON DECEMBER 1, 1977, SERGEANT GEORGE SMITH WAS CONTACTED AT CTF. SERGEANT SMITH STATED THAT ORTEGA WAS A PATHOLOGICAL LIAR WHILE CONFINED AT CTF IN THE PCU AND THAT HE WAS CONSTANTLY RELATING COMPLETELY FALSE STORIES TO THE STAFF. SERGEANT SMITH STATED HE

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WOULD STAKE HIS CAREER ON THE FACT THAT ANY INFORMATION FROM ORTEGA, ESPECIALLY ONE SO OUTRAGEOUS AS THAT SIRHAN, SIRHAN COULD OFFER A MILLION DOLLARS TO KILL SENATOR KENNEDY, WOULD BE TOTALLY FALSE. SERGEANT SMITH FURTHER SAID THAT SIRHAN SIRHAN STAYS TO HIMSELF AND IS EXTREMELY CAREFUL OF OTHER INMATES, BECAUSE HE HAS LEARNED BY EXPERIENCE THAT OTHER INMATES WILL USE HIS NAME TO GAIN ATTENTION.

LOS ANGELES IS FURNISHED AN INFORMATION COPY OF THIS TELETYPE INASMUCH AS ORTEGA AND BARROS PAROLED TO OFFICES IN THEIR TERRITORY. PORTLAND FURNISHED INFO COPY BECAUSE ORTEGA IS DUE TO BE EXTRADITED TO CORVALLIS, OREGON, BY DECEMBER 2, 1977, FOR GTA. SACRAMENTO FURNISHED INFO COPY INASMUCH AS RECORDS OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS MAINTAINED THERE.

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PHOENIX TELETYPE HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE UNSUBSTANTIATED AND INFORMATION IS THAT ORTEGA IS COMPLETELY UNRELIABLE.

SAN FRANCISCO IS PLACING THIS CASE IN CLOSED STATUS AND ALL OFFICES REQUESTED TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION SHOULD INFORM SECRET SERVICE OF THE UNRELIABILITY OF SOURCE.

SAN FRANCISCO WILL SUBMIT LHM.

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