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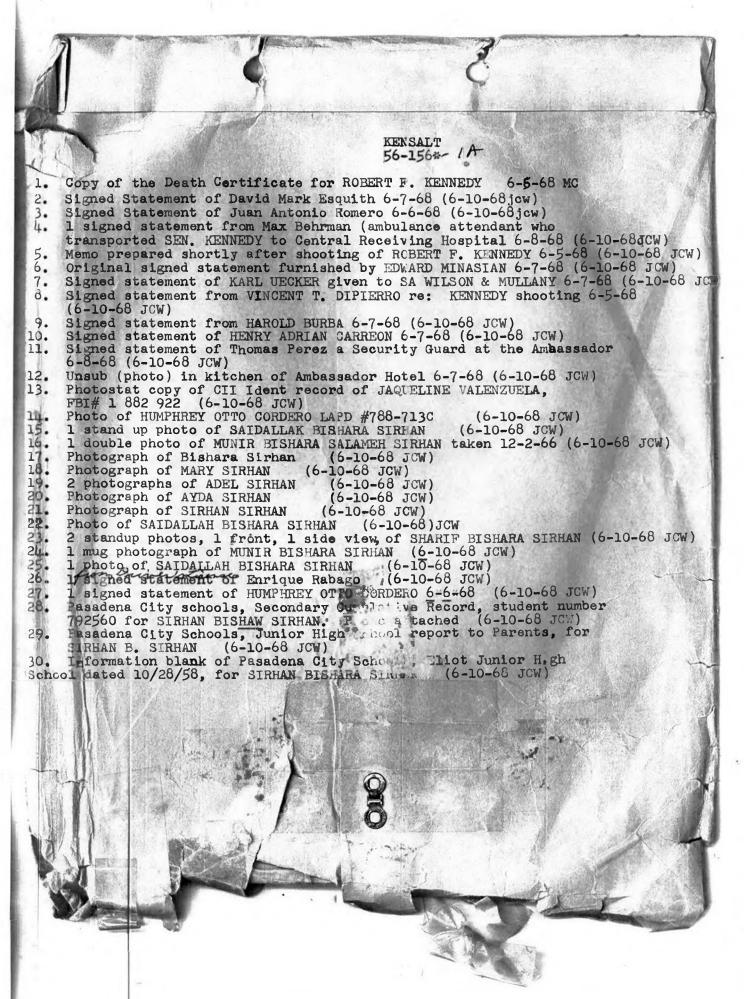
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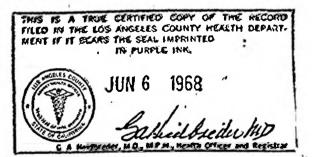


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56-156-1a2 June 7, 1968 Los Angeles, California I, Vavid Mark Egenth, make the following free and voluntary statement to Richard Doucette and David Pender, who have identified themshes to me as Special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation: I was born on Destember 25, 1948, and I now reside at 6321 Linderhurst avenue, Las Angelas, California. I was a volunteer worker for Robert Kennedy's presidential compaign, and I was present at the ambassador Hotel at the time Kennedy was shot around 12:20 Am on June 5, 1968. For the better gast of the evening I was close to the podium in the Embasy Room, helping help people from going through the door that was close to the podium and which led to the room behind the podium at no time during the evening did I see the man who has been identified as Durhan Durhan. I stayed in the ones of the podium while Robert Hennedy made his victory speech. at that time I did not know which way he gland to exit after his speech, nor did angene else that I know of about 5 minutes before Kennedy ended his speech, I was told that I monthly two going to DV

epit through the hitchen, I am not oure who the person was that told me that, but it max have been Jim Lowe, another campaign When Kennedy left the podium I was at the come of it, right in front of the Hennody girls. Irwin & troll left right believe Kennedy, and then some of the green and part of Hernely's group followed then. 30 the best of my resollection, I warnest after that, at about the time I reached the door to the serving butchen I heard some noise which I thought to be believe balloon popping or flathell There were about 5 auch noises. I holl came to me and said he had been shot, and I helped him bosh into the Embassy Room. Doon after that I left in a cat with Stroll for the Loggital. about 5 minutes before Kennedy went to the godium, I walked through the serving butchen and it was empty. I may have glanced into the hetchen at that time, but if so I did not take garticular note of the people I sow in the hilden. I think I would have noticed anyone in the hitchen who didn't have white clother on, Thouse of the Glove two (2) pool 5 to her with the and without Richard P Downto, SA, FBT, too auster, Calif. 6/7/88 David R, ovender, SA, FBT, L.A. 6/7/68

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for Angeles, Colomia June 6, 1968 I, Juan antonio Romeso, kereby furnish the - following soluntary statement to Rebest F. Pickard - and william a. Bailey, who have identified themselves to me as special agents of the Federal Buseau of Ansestigation. I have been adresed that I could be sequired to testify an court segarding this matter I was born fune 24, 1950, at masalan, mejico I entired the United States approximately 1962. I reside with my stepfather, FLAVIANO RUMERO, and my mother, ANTONIA ROMERO, OF 475 ME Denald Sheet, Los angeles, California. I am in grabe All as Roosesell High School, for angeles, Calif Lan employed as a soon service bushoup as The ambassalor Hotel and have been so employed propprogramalely 2/2 years. On June 4, 1918, I arrived at The hotel at approximately 3:30 pm and was assigned to soon service as a busboy. I assisted the walters with the deliveree to the parious soone. These duties took me to the kitchen on several occasions. There were eight on ten wasters assigned to soon service and two busboys including myself. Because There were so many writers assigned & had preedom to more asong RELEASE WIFE E.U

Page 2 at approximately mil-night I was in the Embassy Room with JOSE CARDENAS and NICOLAS VALENZUCIA. I observed denator Kennedy completing hie talk to the people in the Enbroy Room and moteled him staking hande with the segle. I knew he was about to leave the Embassy Room and that he would passe through the hallway men the kitchen. My companione and I sushed over to the bullway to await mr. Kennedy so that we could shake his hand a lad Shaken hands with Senator Konnely on two Jalour Ollans I took a footion in the hallway just in front of the opining that leads to the kitchen There were approximately 15 to 20 people in Senator Kennedy came through the door accompanied by approximately fine men. He seemed to seeognize me I was smiling and fenotor Kennedy was smeling. He keld out his hand and I shook it - Senator Kennedy kept walking for approximately one or two steps I continued to obsesse him and it noticed a mare who was Ja. I appeared a mare who was pensed to be reaching offered where on the man effort to give

Page 3 Jo. R shake Senator Kennedy's Rand. at about the same time I lead gunfise and I noticed that this indisidual was holding a gun in his hand, which hand not recalled, and that the gum was approximately one yand from Genator Kennedy's head. I observed Senator Kennely placing his hands to his free and he staggised bothwards a few steps and slumped to the floor. I immediately turned my attention completely to Senator Kennedy and I ignored the gunman. I knelt on the floor as denston Kennelys life side and I placed my right hand believe his head and slightly lifted his head. at this time I felt blood in my right hand. I said "come in mr. Kennedy you can make it. His lips moved and he seemed to say is everybody all sight. I heard semene Ray throw that gum away mr. Gennedy" and of noticed he was chewing gumed started to seech for the gum but did not as I did not wont to put my fingers in his month. His sight eye was wide open and his left eye was - opening and closing . a white mans Kylles to Market from handed me

Page 4 a Rosary and said keep this mr. Kennedy. This man suit something else which I could not understand I placed the Rosasy around Senator Kennedy's Thumb and folded it in his left band. He moved the hand with becary up to his chest. I looked up and I noticed that several people were taking pictures of fenation Kinnedy with comerces and TV cameras. A shorted for a dector and a tall white man, approximately 30-35 years old, approached finator Kennely, took of his cost and felded is and placed the coast under fenator Kennedy'e head. I got up from the floor and I noticed another man who was on the floor and who hud blood on his prekend. This individual was at about the time I sot up, mis Kennely came sushing up and pushed me out of the way. I went to see of the gunman was in enstudy I saw a man who was being held down on the Keating table by at least four men. I notical that forsevel this was me of the men and he was holding part of the 5 mon. This had the gun away from the 3 man at the like East under to Par Kafer Johnson

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hos Angoles, California June, 8, 1968 56-156-1a4 I, Max alma Behrmann make the following free and voluntary statement to Special agents Philip G. Jackson and Aussell C. Anderson who have identified themselves to me as Special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I am 48 years of age; reside at 6259 De hongpre Ove, hos Angeles, California, telephone number 464-7948. I have been employed by the City of hos Angeles for the last 19 years as an ambilian driver, and last October, 1967, I changed my position to that of an ambulance attendant, In March and april of 1968, as a part of a continuing program of in - service training, I received approximately 20 hours of emergency first aid instruction. I am presently working out of the Central Receiving Hospital, 1401 West 67# Street, has Angeles, California. On June 57#, 1968, I received a call from Miss norma Case, Dispatcher, at the previously mentioned hospital, that there was a report of an injury at the ambassador Hotel on Wildwie Boulevard and the location was noted as the Embany Room, I went with

Vage Z. my driver, Robert Hulsman, residence address ha Puente, California in ambulance unit number 6-18 to the ambassador Hotel. We proceeded, code 3, which means red lights and sien and I noted the time as 12:17 A.m June 3, 1968. The drove down Wilshire Boulevard and entered the Umbossalo Hotel parling lot and stopped the ambulance at the front parling lot close by the kitcher entrano I then saw a man described as a white male, American, six feet tall, 175 pounds, wearing an olive green suit and he said to me, " bring a stretcher, follow meup the stain," I was rolling the stretcher and hnew I could not get it up the stairs. I, and my gives then went to an elevator anda hospital employee described as a white male Co feet, 160 pounds, who I hnow as a handyman took us to the second floor, I then event to the second floor bitchen and it was very crowded and congested, I noted as I came near the victim there was a woman wiping the forehead of this individual with a cloth, I noted a white male, unknown to me, close by the victini

Vage 3 Then noted a pool of blood underneath the head of the victim. To pened most a man most to pich manuferently up and place him on the stretcher, code and took but a quage compress sige must approprietly "X 4" X 1" thick which thought would be most me ful to control the theday) as I hnelt down by the victim the woman wiping the victims head tried to pull-me away and said, "heep your hands off of him," I'm Mrs. Kennedy," We are from Entral Receiving Hospital, Emergency ambulance beward we are here to help you." Mrs. Kennedy then replied "I don't care who you are," I then said to Mrs. Hennedy, "We had a call here, If you don't want me to lepamine your husband, what do you want me to do?" Ithen heard an unknown white male standing close by say, "Hurry hurry lets aget him on the stretcher" no don't please," At this point mrs, Vennedy tried to pull me away, The driver and mysel then put M Hennedy

Dage 4 on the stretcher, and wrapped him in a blanket. I noted the white male pushing people away from in front of the stretcher and some people were falling over and tripping over each other. He got on the elevator with Mrs. Lennedy, white male and the previously mentioned handyman was controlling the elevator, The elevator went by the first floor to the basement and then returned to the first floor. at this point I had not heard that the victin, Mr. Kennedy, had been shot, I then moved the stretcher out of the elevator and out to the ambulance I noted that the white male was pulling on the stretcher sothat I could not move it along and he said, take it lasy, I then said to this white male, "for Christs sale fly so I can get him to the ambelia I then heard Mrs. Kennedy say, Wont hurry don't hury." I did not specifically notice any policemen immediately around me but it was extremely congested and people were shoving each other around, We lifted Mr. Kennedy into the ambilance and locked the stillower

Vage 5 in place, I then said to Mis, Lennedy " Would you get in please; I observed standing with her was a white, male, Omerican, age 60, weight 150, 5 feet 8 endes meduin build receiting a dark-brown sutt then manther and the ambulance and then many Mrs. Vennedy, and then the white male was described above ; Hulsman came to the rear and started to faster the safety webbing. I said, "Robert, please come on lets go to the hospital." Bobert then closed the Loos, Ithen noted that Mrs. Vennedy opened I door and pointed to a white, female wearing a whitedress and said, "I want that lady in white to go with me. I recall that just prior to Mrs. Hennedy opening reardoor mentioned above I took Mr. Vennedys pulse and I would say it was very weak, I then said to the Wriver, No, I'm not taking her with me," I said to the driver, "Bob come on close the door, lete go." The driver was having difficulty closing the rear doors and I said "Out therein, the front seat and lets go," Detten said to men Kennedy, "Just for mass

the records, Please, - 1 at this point mis. Rennedy said, "I don't give a dann what you say and at this point Mrs. Kennedy grabbed my ambulance call record book and threwit out of the rear of the ambulance, I had noted on the amoulance call record ticket the following enformation; number B 20588, date G/5/68; Division 6/8, location ambassados Hotel, received 1212 A, m. nat location 12;22 Am, name Kennedy, address, ambassador Holel I then noted that the driver closed the rear doors and I said, " Come on Bob lets go, We've got a police escort." I noted a police car in front of our ambulance and just before we pulled out 2 white males got in the front with the driver and we left. I noted that the lennedy was taking deep beaths, I reached over him to get an air-wick to insert in Mr. Kennedy's throat to aid his breathing prior to putting on an airmark but elected not to use it (the air wich) in now of ms, Kennedig behavior, I then reached under Mr. Hennedy's head to lift it exp so I might put the bandover his head which holds the airmach,

Oage 9 Ot this point Mrs. Kennedy said, " You heepyour dirty filty-hands off my husband. "Mrs. Kennedy then said, "How doryou hnow theair is on?, and I replied," you can hear it! As we were proceeding to the hospital I again asked Mrs. Kennedy, Can you tell me what happened? and she replied, "I don't geve a Goddann what you want to know," I then tried to place the previously mentioned guage compress on the left side Of Mr. Kennedys head as he was bleeding profusely and breatting in deep gasps, at this point I was structe on the right side of my face by Mrs. Kennedy and I can only state Dwas sturned, "Bruce, come back here and throw this ambulance man out; hés bothering me; hés asking too many questions! I next recall that the white male was attempting to crawl through from the cabto the body of the ambulance. At this point the driver pulled him back and said, "Sit there or you can cause an accident,

Vage 8 Us the ambulance approached the hospital I could see that a large mimber of people had gathered, as Robert tried to back the Embulance up to the off-loading dock an individual by the name of Rus, who is employed at the hospital as an ambulance driver opened the rear doors and dropped the webbing, at this point Dr. Gas (phonetic, not his full name) entered the ambulance and I said to him, What do you want Noc! and he replied I want to examine Mr. Vennedy", I then said to Dr. Bas, "not here Doe, in the treatment room where you belong," I next recall getting out of the ambulance and then me Vennedy got out, The driver and I took the stretcher out and started to go through theentry doors at this point a photographer took two pictures and Mrs. Rennedy then said " Let that man", and pointed at the photographer, I then observed the white male leap over the stretcher and stable the photographer full in the face and he fell to the grand.

I then worked the stretcher throught the

Dage 9 crowd and into treatment room numbers. I then heard Dr. Box say," Come on hurry lets get him on the tableso I can chamine Sim. At this point of Bas placed his hands under the middle back of Mr. Hennedy and attempted to lift Mr. Hennedy up onto the table. I observed that Dr. Bas lifted Mr. Kennedy appearmately land & feet (1/2) off the stretcher and Robert and myself brought the stretches up as he was two being lifted, at this point Dr. Bas lost his bolance and he (Dr. Bos) falls forward town the table and Mr. Vennedy is placed on the table. I observed that when Dr. Bas lifted Mr. Kennedy the oxygen bottle that was between his legs fell to the floor and the air masle was sub-sequently mest left on Mr. Vennedip face but the air tube had been pulled out. at this point the driver and myself took the other items, put them on the stretcher and moved it out of treatment room # ? male previously referred to as having struck the

Oage 10 photographer and I said, "I want to file a complaint against him," This was said and the presence of a hos angeles Wetection who is normally stationed at Central Oleceiving Hospital. at this point the previously mentioned individual above said to me, " In going to file a complaint against you too; what's your mame?" I then said, "Oah my supervisor he's right over there," and I pointed to Mr. Paul Chem my immediate supervior. The next event I can recall is that the dispatcher notified me that I should return to the ambassador Hotel as Attende had been a shooting. I then said to norma Case, the dispatcher, "In other words, Mr. Kennedy that we just brought in has been shot, and she said "I guess so," The dispatcher then told me they were sending 5 or 6 more ambulances to the bosy ambassador Hotel. I then returned to the ambassador Hatel 200, name not given, who indicated to me that he had been shot. Ufter the driver and &

Dage 11 placed this man in the ambulance a negro male, age 50, wearing a dark brown suit stated he was a Voctor and requested to go along ly a white male pivhite shirt plant tie who identified brinself as a Noctor, if he could also go along in the ambulance and I indicated he could. This endividual being bransported was ashed by me, "Hould you like me to remode the hat from bearlath your head and he replied, "No I'm fine,", tell your partner to go fast, but not too fast" The next event I can recall after returning to the hospital was a telephone Call Deleved from an officer at the hos angeles Police Department whose name I was recall to be Wilson. He stated that an individual in the Kennedy party that identified hinself as Barry had "complained charges" against you, that you struck Mrs. Tennedy, I replied that I did not touch her at any time other than to help her ento the ambulance, but Mrs. Kennedy did stuhenes and I further advised him of all the detailser

Oage 12 Of the early morning hours of June 5, 1968. I remained at the hospital until approximately moon on June 5, 1968 writing a hand written account of the events that took place during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968. I have Read this Statement of this page and eleven other pages and it is True and Covert and best of my Knambedge May alma Behrmann Witnesses Philip & Jackson, Special agent, Federal Buseau of Investigation, Jos angeles Rusself C. Anderson Special Agent Tederal Bureau of Investigation has Angeles,

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# CALIFORNIA ELECTION RETURNS SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 1968

The Senator arrived back to the hotel about 8:00 PM and immediately went to the Royal Suite. He did not go into the parlor since friends and staff were watching the election returns on television. At about 10:30 PM, more and more people began to arrive in the hallway outside the Senator's suite and by 11:45 PM it was quite crowded.

When it came time to go down to the Embassy Ballroom for his victory statement, I immediately sent Eddie Manasian to hold the north elevator since it had been decided that he should go through the lobby particularly since two television cameras had been erected across from the house phones. Only when we were two or three feet away from the elevator did the Senator decide that he would prefer not to go through the crowds but to use the service elevator as he had done on Sunday, June 2nd when he made an appearance in the Cocoanut Grove and the East Garden. Once in the service elevator we arrived on the kitchen level and I led the way to the Embassy Ballroom stage.

The crowd was fantastic and the stage was jam packed. As a matter of fact, I was terribly concerned about all the people being up on the stage and was afraid the stage might break down.

After his acceptance speech in the Embassy Ballroom, we were due to use the back staircase down to the Ambassador Ballroom where the general public was awaiting him. However, before the speech ended in the Embassy Ballroom, Fred Dutton asked me if there were television sets in the Ambassador Ballroom and I answered "yes". It was then immediately decided that the Senator would visit the Colonial Room first which was being used as Press headquarters. I told Mr. Dutton that there was no Press in the Colonial Room, instead they were in the Embassy Ballroom. They still headed for the Colonial Room and I led the way followed by Senator and Mrs. Kennedy, as well as his immediate staff including Bill Barry, his bodyguard, Jesse Unruh and a few friends.

I was about 6 feet ahead of him when I heard the sound of what I thought was a firecracker. It sounded three or four times in quick order and I thought it was part of the celebration. Immediately,

however, he was down on the floor where the big ice machine is located and screams and pandemonium broke out the same time as the killer was attacked. Mr. Murphy, the hotel Security Guard evidently had called the ambulance but I wanted to make sure and ran into the Colonial Room, but could not get the operator, but was assured once again that the ambulance was on the way. all happened within a matter of seconds. I then immediately ran down the kitchen steps to the casino level and out through the back ramp that our Bellmen use. As I was waiting outside, the ambulance arrived and I escorted the two ambulance attendants through the same area up to the lobby level of the kitchen pantry I emphasized to the attendants the emergency and remember being terribly upset/by the apparent non-chalonce of one of the I pushed them and pushed them and urged them on but somehow they could not move fast enough. What really made me upset was when I was to bring them up the steps from the lower level to the lobby level, they refused to walk up the steps with a stretcher and instead insisted on taking the elevator. in the kitchen there was a lot of shuffling and shouting, photographers were trying to get pictures, and I was definitely of the opinion that the people would lynch or beat to deaththe assassin. Senator was placed on the stretcher, rolled into the elevator, brought down to the lower level and carried out into the waiting I again recall some difficulty with the same ambulance attendant - he would not allow one or two people, perhaps even Mrs. Kennedy, to enter the ambulance with the Senator's body. I remember specifically Bill Barry saying, and I quote, "This guy has got to go". The ambulance then took off and I jumped on the back seat of one of the police motorcycles and we took off for the receiving hospital. What amazed me was that this police escort did not know the location of the Central Receiving Hospital, neither did another police motorcycle and neither did, if I recall correctly, one of the police cars.

We arrived at the hospital moments after the ambulance and immediately afterwards, Steven Smith, the Senator's brother-in-law, arrived as did Colonel John Glenn. Again I was surprised that the uniformed hospital attendants would not let in Steven Smith or Colonel Glenn, buy eventually, upon proper identification, they got in.

The Senator was then brought out again and moved into an ambulance and driven to the Good Samaritan Hospital. Somehow I felt hopeful at the time since Mrs. Kennedy went in a separate ambulance. Joe Quinn, the Deputy Mayor, arranged a police car for Fred Dutton, Steven Smith, Roy Varrow and myself, and took off for the Good Samaritan Hospital. Again with two officers in the police car

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they did not know the location of the Good Samaritan Hospital. As a matter of fact, they drove in the opposite direction and could not get the proper information from the operator. As a matter of fact, they did not even ask the proper questions from the operator and had her confused. It was really unbelievable but we finally arrived at the hospital where a large crowd was gathering.

This is briefly the way I remember the last hours of Senator Kennedy's visit to California. I would like to add that at no time did anybody criticize anybody in connection with the shooting, instead the staff was formidable and dedicated and efficient to the very end as I had learned to know many of them during their stay at the Ambassador from the middle of March to Wednesday, June 5, 1968.

As the Senator said in many of his speeches, "We are all in this effort together" and everybody surrounding him certainly was:

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56-156-Va6 Los angeles, Colifornia June 7, 1968 I, Edward Menasian, make the following free and voluntary statement to E Rhead Richards, Jr., and Nuholas Mc Gahan, Ja, who have identified thenselves to me as Special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I reside it 129 to. Jones St, Burbank, Colforno, and I am employed in the estering department it the ambassador Hotel, 3400 Welshire Bruleward, Jos Angeles, California I have been so employed for approximately Shortly after mudnight of June 4th, 1968 Senator Robert J. Kennedy finished making a statement to his supporters in the Embarry Ballroom at the ambassador Hotel. The original plans, upon the conclusion of his speech was to turn left, and go downstairs to the ambassador Ballroom and at the lat menute plans I were changed to to take Senator Kennedy and his party to the Colonial Room, which was the working press room. In order to follow through with these plans, it was recommany under to go through the IN:

pontry adjoining the Embassy Room. I was on the Senatois right, about one step in front. after about fifteen feet inside the panty door, I sensed the Senator was not as close as when we started into the party. I tuned to my left, and observed the Senator shaking hands with hotel employees on his left. My partner, Karl Clecker, was on the Senstois left, and about one or two steps in front of him. While the Senator was shaking hands I saw out of the right corner of my eyes someone darted . Sehind my partner, and reached around him, with a gun in his right hand. Before I could react, he fuel two shots. My partner graffel the gunnan in a headlock, and I graffed him around the waist, and forsed him up against a steam table. We could not control his gun hard until after he fired a number of shots in sapid succession. I number of the Senator's party helped us to subdue the man and take the gun away. I saw Rafer Johnson put the guen in his pocket. at this point I son to the soom-service

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telephone and called for an ambulance and the police. as I can to the phone of noticed the Senator lying on the floor with his head in a good of blood and his eyes shut. One of the burs- loop, Juan Romero; kneeling down by the Senator. When I returned from the phone, approximately one minute later, I noticed that the Senator's eyes were agen, and that there were many more people in the immediate area. I returned to where the guman was being beld down, and semained there until the Ios angeles Polise assured to take custody of the gunnan. While there, I head Rafer Johnson ask the man repeatedly, "Why did you don't," why did you do it?" The man brokel at me and said "Let me explain, I can explain" at this point someone told him To shot up, Within approximately ten minutes the police assured and took austroly of the mon. Weeker and I escorted the police to the Welshire entrance, and then returned to the pantry, and by the time we got there the Senator and others who had been shot had been taken away by ambulance.

The only other individual who I show some short was the man from the United auto Worker when I would be the worker when it is the saw of the worker when it is the worker when i Workers, whose name I cannot recall. I have read the above statement constatues of these and there other poges, and to the hest of my browledge it is true and correct. Edward Micesein

E. Rhead Richards, fr. Special Agent, J. B. J. Los Angeles 6/7/68 Nicholar Mc Gahar Jr. Special Agent 7.B. J. Los Angeles 6/7/68

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26-156-10-7 Tos Angelia Calif. I Karl Yecker, make the following voluntary statement to Jours a Wilso and Patrick J. Millany, who have identified themselves to me pa Special agents of the Frederal Bureau of Snoestigation I presently reside at 3025.
Glenhurst Ovenue, Too angeles, Calif. botel In angeles, California as MAITRED Un the evening of Juse 4, 1968, was assigned to assest Tenator Cabert & Kennedy. I attended him during the course of his victory speech in the Embassy Goom of the Umbassador potel. after the speciel, I took his Land and led him through the passage way behind the stage, leading to as In the Ritchen doorway Kennedy One of thee grander E.O. 14176

was still observing the last individual he slook hands with I took her hand to lead him suit la I took his hand to lead him and to prometody peached pround me and before I knew what happened two shots were fired and the Senatur fell to the ground . I immediately grabbad the glen hand af the assailant table During this time be, the second associant, continued to fire the gur. I grabbed him sound the neck in an effort to hold him down, continuing to hold down the hand with the weapon in it. Shortly thereafter, I reall someone believed me paying let him go. In turning around, I observed it was the police I released the possiblent to the police and they led him Two of the 2025 RELAGENHER E.O) 14176 (Elle

who has been subsequently identified as Sirlan Bushara Sirlan. 10 my knowledge I have never seen this man before Karl A. Cleeker Witnessed: Witnessed: SA Patrick J. Mullony, FBI, For Angeles SA Rouis a. Wilson, J., FBI, Ros angels

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48 I, VINCENT THOMAS DiPIERRO, GORN and Residing at 1635 S. Beverly Glen Blub, Los Augeles CACIF. house Allowe wurder 279-1411 forwish the following Voluntary STATEMENT TO William A. Bailey who has identified himself to me as a special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Invertigation. UR. Bailey has advised neethor I wan be required to terrify in Federal Court REGARDING this STATEMENT I an enployed as a waiter at the AMBASSADOR HOTEL and although I was not working in that Capacity at the hoter on June 5 1968, I was present at the Hotel to observe Sevator Robert trenvedy's VICTORY Speech. I arrived at the Augassasor horec after leaving my home at approx. 11:35 pm and went to the Ambassason Room which is become the Enerassy Room. I then left the AMBASSADOR ROOM & WENT UPSTOIRS TO the terroller via back Stains to Good Horce security Guards. I arrived in the kirchen of then went to the partey area & Floor thone I wist Though sumping decres to a small hour is don't the transmise My reason for doing fluis was to Shore hands Wife Sevaror Kennesy, SHORTLY afterflies Sevaror Kennedy entered this Room and then extited to the

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EMBASSY ROOM Sevator Kernedy Shock hands with me and then went out into the Eubassy Room. The I was more IN this Smarc Room I was Charcanged by GHOTEC Security Guard but Martin PATRUSKY, a HOTEL ENFICICE, too him that I worked for the Hoter. Fig T Revaised by the door Leading to the Pausassy Room & shorry thereafter, Eddie Manasian, another Hotel Buflonce, toldne that Severon kennesy was finished his speech and that he Was Going to the Coconiac Room for a Priess Conference and that I was to make an Eisce for him. Sevaror Kennedy, after his speech, then left the stage in the Carbassy Room & went through a door out the Rear of the stage. He then funned to his eight, wacked down a Ramp and was then in the same Room as I was. As Sevaron kennedy wacked flyrough this Boon I began wacking NETTATED have. Senator kennedy wacked through the the suinging door on the left side and I went through the swinging door on the right side. At this time we were both (Sevaron kennedy +I) were in the Attirchen Jan Jan There were approx. 40-50 people were in this

PANTEY ROOM INCLUDING ELEMENTER TORUNDULES and SPECTATORS

I was waching next to sevation knowedy while in the boutory area and at that time another unknown Individual walked between myself , senator beautedy AT that time I was then wacking approx. 5 feet away & Slightly behind Severor bonnedy I was stopped at the 10e machine when Sevator Kennedy Stopped, shock hands with MARTIN ATRUSKy turned 4 shock my hand as I was Standing on the Sevarons Right, then traved to his left and went to shake hands with a busboy. Severon kennedy then moved to his light and toward the hearing Cabinets to shake hands with a horer Cook and a fenale Caucation standing next to the look. At this time I Stopped to observe Sevator bennesy as did the Others in the room Pictor to this occurance and the time that Swaron Kennedy Shock my hand I dosesued a White mace + a white fenale standing on a tray hower at the opposite rand of the ice machine which is approx. 12. 15 feet away. This where more turned toward the where fenace , appeared to Converse with here very briefly He then dismounted from the tray holder went into the crown and I did not observe him until

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Out the hearing commet behind Mr. KARL Vecker, another horec enproyee. I did not see this white female again afren this fine. As Severon kennedy shook the hand of the horez Cook he then turned to his right in the direction of the hearing cobiner and at that Time I saw the blute more who was previously standing on the May hower was standing behind up. vector at the hearing Cosiner. I saw this insividual Reach his Right arm around MR. Decker and in his hand he had a Revolver Which was pointed directly at Sevator Kennedy's head. The Revolver was about 3-5 feet from Sevaron Kennery's head. This moinidual them Shor Sevator kennesy in the head. Sevator knewery at this time threw his hands , arms up, in the discourse of his head Reeled backwards and fell to the floor. During this period of fine and after the first shor was fixed I heard 3 more Rapidly Fired shars AT this time the individual standing net To me an myleft text into my arms and I saw that he had been shor in the foreliead I eased this person to the fron then went to the aid of Senator Kennery who was on the floor 6 beaugrhoseport to 41 the bus boy. Sevaron ;

Bree 3. Kennedy was dazed 1 said "Is every body account?" bevaron Kernesy Said " I'm aurrigar" then wented Sovething else. I then deserved the infinition who shor severor kennedy being suboued by RAFER Johnson, KARL Vecker and Rossevert Grier. I saw some one hand Sevaror kennedy a rosarry and was then asked to Leave by MR. UNRUH Who is a STATE SENOTOR. The Same where make that I saw stomping of the translusioer is the same person who stoop believe UR Eucker and shot senator bonnedy and was later taken away by Lox Augeles Dance OFFICERS after being captured by now Johnson, her Green & historican I have real the foregoing statement, consisting

of this pages and four (4) additional pages and it is the and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Xeiller SA, FBI, LOSAUGER-5 CARLE 6/7/68 Rebert F. Packard, Special Ogent, Fot, Jos angeles, 6/7/68 FD-340 (REV. 6-24-65)

56-156-129 Tuenance Californier Jame 7,1968 I, Hawld L. Busha, sende at 20503 Osage avenue, Tonance, California. I am employed by the los lingues City And SypanBrunt, at 217 South Hel Street, to lungeles, Coliferna, I have been solvened of the sdutties of intermining afents that they are speciel apouts of tu tednef Buran J Amestigation, I toluntaring frumsk ter following orga of statement. In the night ) Jane 4, 1968, Dues on Thereof duty at the Ambarrades Hatel in too lingdes to take protures of any violation of file regulations. This was done at the signity of the fire Prevention Bureau. at around mid-night I was sitting across the half which suns adonf the most the side of thembany Room. I blesemed Senston Kennedy and his party pass where I was siting and go 2025 RELETE UNDER ON SOME CONTRACTOR

a door way and I believe that he had for on mito the Simbary Room, Dury were of several shagles fellowing the Senator's party one of thent came to my attention Elue to the way be was looking from orde to orde as though he was observing the layout of the area or the people around the area He was also carrying what epprand his hands. It appeared to be a tollianion, obout two feet long, and they to four mens in diamon, was of an dequite shade. 1 This individual apparently waited in the half bed While finder toas sin The Endreweden Enthury Room as I saw seem traid a willed up prester, similar to the one I had previously thereof stations, in the hatte din is the half while the Sender was agranded in the England River. was leaving the Embary Koom and morning down Howard Lot RELEASE REPRESENTATION Rosem at The