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(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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(CITY AND STATE)

By Douglas Ray Lund  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

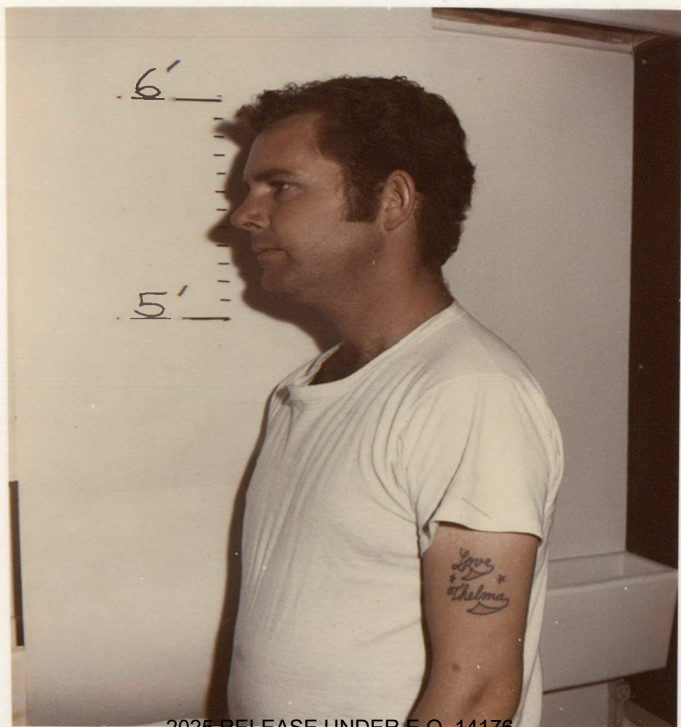
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~~Lorothy Manning~~

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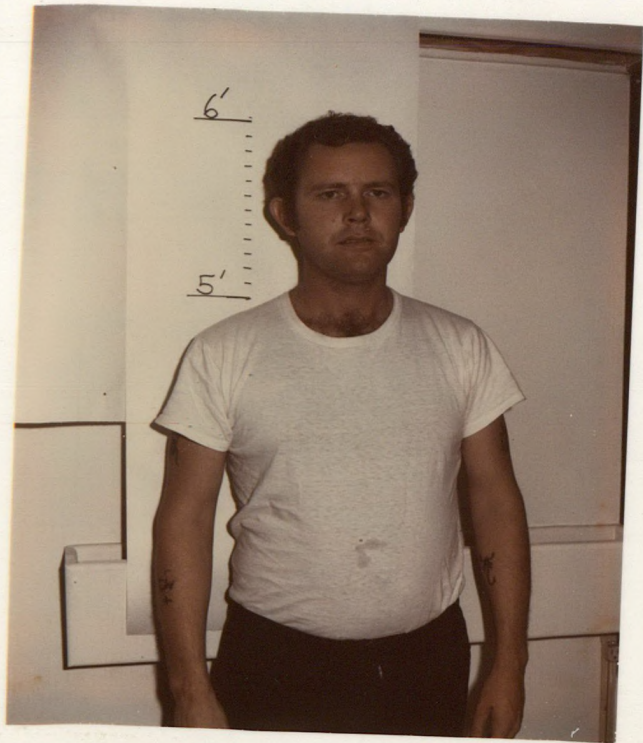
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WILSON, JAMES LOYD

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Date Received 6-17-68

From LAPD  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By Burris  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Description:

PHOTOS OF POLICE WOMAN WEARING  
POLKA-DOT DRESS FURNISHED BY  
SANDRA SEIZANO

7/19/68

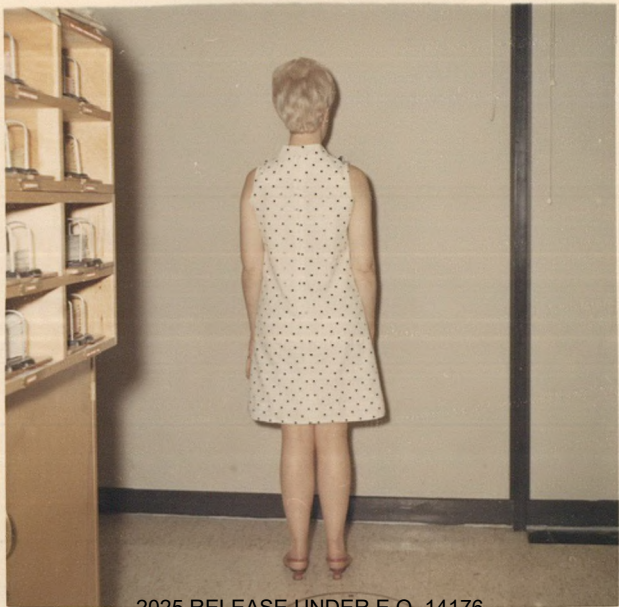




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File No.

56-156-1A-133

Date Received

6-17-68

From

B. J. Herrick

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Cruick &amp; Steaton

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes☒ No

Description:

Signed Statement of Benjamin  
J. Herrick

7/19/68

San Gabriel, Calif.  
June 17, 1968

I, Benjamin J. Herrick, make the following statement to James H. Stanton and C. Kenneth Arnold who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I understand this statement may be used in a court of law.

I have discussed with my wife, Dona, the events surrounding the visit of three men, all foreign appearing, to my gun shop, the Lock, Stock and Barrel, 8972 Huntington Drive, San Gabriel, California, about April 15, 1968. I now recall that three men entered the store and looked around. My attention was drawn to them because they were very interested in the handgun display. I drew the impression that they were foreign because of their interest in the display. I have observed that other persons of foreign nationality show unusual interest in gun displays, perhaps because such displays are unknown in their own countries.

I did not observe these three men until they were in the store. I did not see them arrive in a vehicle. I did see them when they approached my wife and asked her a question and she then turned to me for assistance. At this time one of them asked me if ~~they~~<sup>we</sup> had any armor piercing ammunition in the store. I do carry such ammunition which I sell to law enforcement officers. After observing that these men were not law enforcement officers I said that we did not have such ammunition in stock. The three men then left the store. I did not observe the men closely on this visit and I now only recall that they were short, dark and foreign ~~LOOKING.~~<sup>LOOKING.</sup>

On June 1, 1968, I was again working at my store. I don't recall the time of the incident, but it was sometime after opening hour of 12:00 noon. I was talking to a customer about a shotgun. I do not recall the name of this customer, but he was interested in trap shooting and I think we were discussing a Browning over/under shotgun. During this conversation I was standing near my desk in the northwest corner of the store. Larry Arnot, one of my employees, was standing at the ammunition counter which is at the southwest corner of the store. I happened to glance over my shoulder and observed there were three short, dark, foreign looking persons talking with him. From their appearance I thought they were the same three persons who had been in the store on the April 15th date inquiring about the armor piercing ammunition. I observed these three persons from the rear only. I continued my discussion with my customer and when I finished the three men were gone.

I cannot give specific descriptions of the three men because of the short period of time I had to look at them. I believe they were all males, in their early 20's, all about 5'5" or 5'6" (all shorter than I at 5'8"), slender build, about 130 lbs. I recall that they all were very dark complected. One had kinky hair. The other two had curly hair. They were all wearing casual clothing, probably pants and sport shirts. None of them had glasses, tattoos or jewelry which I can recall. None of them was carrying anything when they were in the store to the best of my recollection. I have the impression they were all clean, neat and well groomed.

I recall discussing the nationality of the three men. I remember someone saying they were possibly Philipino. I commented that I did not think they were Philipino because they had curly hair and all Philipinos have straight hair. I could not identify any of the three men as being from a middle east country.

I have observed photographs of Adel Sirhan, Shari' Bishara Sirhan, Saidallah Bishara Sirhan and Munir Sirhan and cannot identify any of them as being in the store.

I cannot identify Sirhan Bishara Sirhan as one of the three men in the store. I have seen his photograph in the papers and on TV and cannot now state that I am identifying him from being in my store or from seeing his picture in the news media.

*I have read the above 2 page statement  
and to the best of my knowledge it is true.*  
*Benjamin J. Leric*

*Witness:*  
*A. Leric, Agent, FBI, Los Angeles, Calif. 6-17-68*  
*James H. Stanton, Jr. Agent, FBI, Los Angeles, Calif. 6/17/68*

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File No. 56-156-1a 134Date Received 6-17-68From L.A. PD  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By Emmitt Doherty  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☐ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

## Description:

"John Doe"  
Booking & Identification record  
for Sirhan Bishara Sirhan

7/19/68

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BOOKING AND IDENTIFICATION RECORD


*SIRHAN, BISHARA SIRHAN*  
CII No.

Ref 5/3

LA No.

901375

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ARRESTEE'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BOOKING NO.	SEX	DESCENT	AGE	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTH DATE	PROB. INVS. UNIT
DOE, John #1		495139	M	Lat	5/3	120	120	Refused	Ramp D
DIV. & DETL. ARR.	LOCATION OF ARREST	RPTG. DIST.	DIV. BKG.	DATE AND TIME ARRESTED		DATE AND TIME BOOKED			
Ramp A	3400 Wilshire Blvd.	251	JCD	6/5/68 1210A		6/5/68, 220A			
TYPE*	CHARGE (sec., code and definition) ON WARRANT BKG., LIST WARR. NO., COURT, CHARGE, AMT. OF BAIL, AND PENALTY ASSESSMENT.								
F	217 P.C. Assault. W/Int to murder - MT								
		14 M 31 - I 00		16					
		0 20 - III		18					
NICKNAME AND/OR ALIAS		RESIDENCE ADDRESS			CITY		BIRTHPLACE		
Refused		Refused					Refused		
HAIR	EYES	HIGHLY OBSERVABLE AND DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL ODDITIES		EMPLOYED BY		OCCUPATION		SOC. SEC. NO.	
Brn	Brn	None vis.		Refused		Refused		None	
CLOTHING WORN		LOCATION CRIME COMMITTED			DRIVER'S LIC. NO.		STATE		
Gry suede shoes, blu shrt & ptn.		Same			None				
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY		RELATIONSHIP	PHONE NUMBER	LOCATION OF ARRESTEE'S VEHICLE		EVID. BKG.	SPEC. MED. PROB. (DIAB., EPI, TB)		
Refused				Unknown		Yes	Dr. Lanz		
PROPERTY (LIST PAWN-TICKETS BY NO.) JEWELRY & RINGS, MAKE, STYLE & NOS. ON WATCH						RETAINED	AMOUNT	DEPOSITED	
						\$ .30	\$	None	
DESCRIBE OTHER ARTICLES						RIGHT THUMB PRINT			
No property									
*TYPE OF CHARGE: MISD. — FEL. — OTHER									
ARRESTING OFFICER (NAME, SERIAL NO.)		BOOKING EMPLOYEE (NAME, SERIAL NO.)		SEARCHING OFFICER (NAME, SERIAL NO.)					
Jordan 7167, Willoughby		12605 Dismukes H9473		Brokus 5900					

c/s 924

COMPLETE PROCESSING

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6-1-68



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File No. 56-156-10135Date Received 6/18/68From Dr. Iewin G. Lewis  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)Pasadena City College  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)Pasadena, Cal. 91106  
(CITY AND STATE)By Richard H. Ross  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Description:

Copy of Placement Service form  
for S. R. HAN S. R. HAN from Pasadena  
City College.

7/19/68

# EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL	CITY	STATE	COURSE	GRADE COMPT.	DATE LEFT	GRADUATE	DIPLOMA
John HARR	Pasadena	Cal			1963		
JUNIOR COLLEGE	CITY	STATE	COURSE	GRADE COMPT.	DATE LEFT	GRADUATE	DEGREE
P.C.C.	Pasadena	Cal			1965		
BUSINESS OR TRADE SCHOOL	CITY	STATE	COURSE	MONTHS ATT'D.	DATE LEFT	COURSE COMPLETED	
COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	CITY	STATE	COURSE	YEARS ATT'D.	DATE LEFT	GRADUATE	DEGREE

LIST LAST JOB FIRST

# EMPLOYMENT RECORD

NAME OF COMPANY	CITY	STATE	TYPE OF WORK YOU DID	SALARY	FROM		TO	
					MO.	YR.	MO.	YR.
Gray's Vista Del Rio	Corona	Calif	Security Guard	\$2.00	2	66	1	67

# STUDENT APPLICATION - PLACEMENT SERVICES

PASADENA CITY SCHOOLS, PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

090 B-13

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL	COUNSELOR	DATE	
SIRHAN		SIRHAN				7/24/67	
STREET ADDRESS				CITY	ZIP	PHONE	
696E HOWARD				Pasadena	91104	79-82130	
U. S. CITIZEN?	EMPLOYED?	SOCIAL SECURITY NO.	MAJOR FIELD	MINOR FIELD	DATE OF BIRTH		AGE
NO	NO				MONTH	DAY	YEAR
					3	19	47
HEIGHT	MARITAL STATUS	DEPENDANTS	PHYSICAL DEFECTS		PHOTO		
5-2	SINGLE	WIFE					
WEIGHT	MARRIED	HUSBAND	DRAFT CLASSIFICATION				
115	DIVORCED	PARENTS	LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN THIS AREA 10 years				
DO YOU HAVE A CAR?	SEPARATED	CHILDREN	MEMBER OF WHAT HONOR SOCIETIES				
YES	WIDOW		GRADE POINT RATIO				
FACULTY REFERENCES							
OTHER REFERENCES							

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

APTITUDE AND INTEREST TESTS

ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

C.A. M.A.



NAME <b>SIRHAN</b> <b>SIRHAN</b>										DATE <b>7-20-67</b>	
LAST				FIRST				MIDDLE			
ADDRESS STREET						CITY		PHONE		COUNSELOR	
AGE		DATE OF BIRTH				GRADE		MAJOR FIELD		COUNSELOR	

SCHOOL SCHEDULE		COURSES COMPLETED IN MAJOR FIELD		SKILLS		PERSONAL		JOB DESIRED	
1ST SEMESTER				TYPING SPEED		HEIGHT		1ST CHOICE	
M T W T F				SHORTHAND SPEED					
8				OFFICE MACHINES		WEIGHT		2D CHOICE	
9				P.B.X.					
10				WOOD SHOP		SINGLE <input type="checkbox"/>		VETERAN YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
11				DRAFTING		MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/>			
12				PRINTING		DRAFT CLASSIFICATION		DO YOU HAVE A CAR? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
1				AUTO MECHANICS					
2				ELECTRONICS		PHYSICAL DEFECTS			
3				MACHINE SHOP					
4				OTHERS					
		IN OCCUP. RELATIONS YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>							
2ND SEMESTER		TEACHER REFERENCES							
M T W T F		7-24-67 Back to Dr. Seckman's office trying to clear trouble							
8				DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE					
9				SCHOOL RECORD		Says her a refugee from Jordan			
10				G.P.R.		Been here 10 years. wouldn't			
11				ATT.		give any information about himself			
12						Mr. M. C. supervised his training up			
1						at his FT application.			
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### PAST WORK EXPERIENCE

DO NOT WRITE BELOW[illegible]

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File No. 56-156 -10136Date Received 6/18/68From Robert Comfort  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)18 North Mentor  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)Pasadena, California  
(CITY AND STATE)By Richard H. Ross  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Description:

Copy of article re SIRHAN  
SIRHAN to appear in July 1968  
issue of contributors publica-  
tion, 'Small Comfort'.

7/19/68



Kennedy 1-1-1-1-2-1

Wierd radio station with country music. Ta-ta-ta, ta-ta-tum, Johnny Cash singing some mornful ballad, we break into Johnny's song to announce the arrival of the Kennedy funeral train into Washington DC. That's all--one line. Then an Old Gold Filter ad "Why smoke 'em if you can't taste 'em? Right Ed? Right Charlie, and how 'bout those stamps..." Now (says the overmodulated announcer) here's Ray Price singing DANNY BOY...I think this is Ray's best vocal effort so far. June 7th, 1968. Robert Kennedy was buried today.

I didn't want to write this article. I didn't want to be part of the huge yellow journalistic machine waxing fatter with each tradgedy. I didn't want to be associated with Mayor Yorty and his magic mouth, or with Ronal<sup>d</sup>/Reagan's opportunistic remarks about outside agitators and people who don't respect the law. I didn't want to be part of the flock of literary vulture<sup>s</sup> who excrete biography two ~~weeks~~ weeks after the death of our murdered heros. I didn't want to bore a by-now-dry-eyed populace with the residue of a thousand comments, editorials, and re-run television footage. But I'm writing it.

I didn't know Senator Kennedy, but I did know Sirhan. I have no great insights to offer. No conspiracy to uncover. No scandal to thrill you with. So, why am I writing? ~~that~~ I'm not quite sure, but I think I want to say something about loneliness. I think I want to <sup>say</sup> something about hypocrisy.

I went to school with Sirhan. We weren't fast friends, but I remember him. We shared no classes, but he often sat at our table during breaks. I sometimes went to the service station where he worked evenings; to scrounge cans of STP for my sickly car, and to talk with him. He was a little guy with the top button on his shirt undone so the hair on his chest stuck out. He was friendly. ~~and eager for acceptance~~ Eager enough for acceptance that he'd buy coffee for everybody at the table. Maybe not so much for acceptance as the indication of a generous nature--I don't know. He was articulate without being mushy. The only times he raised

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his voice were the times the middle east situation was the topic of discussion. He was from a refugee background and was, therefore, considered unfit company by the rest of the Arab students; most of whom were the offspring of monied middle-eastern establishment parents. He disliked them for their smugness; they rejected him. In our group; there was no one who didn't like Sirhan, but no one who liked him well enough to be his friend. He asked a few girls for dates, but none accepted. "He's a nice guy," they'd say when he was gone, "but I'd feel so funny if I went out with him." <sup>42</sup> They'd make a small face then, or laugh. That's all I knew about him. He thought Nasser was a great man. He hated the idea of Isreal--but not the Jew who sat at our table. Sirhan Sirhan. He was tiny. He wanted very much to be liked. He was lonely.

I cannot, until a verdict is reached, say that Sirhan is guilty of murder, but if he is guilty, then what? The Senator is dead but Isreali nationalism is still with us. Arab nationalism is still with us. The Senator is dead but the things he would have fought against remain. The Senator is dead and we have cried for him, but where are our tears for the twenty-four thousand killed in Viet Nam? <sup>h</sup> Were are our tears for the ten million hungry Americans? Why do we not stand in silence for the infinite wrongs happening each day? We are a nation of hypocrites. We like our heros when they are murdered and harmless. Senator Kennedy lies beside his brother now, and he can't take us away from our cretin entertainments--he can't make us feel foolish by showing us how petty <sup>our</sup> are lives are. He can't make us think now, and we like that. We like our villians obvious. The more obvious the villian, the better for us, for an obvious villian insures no blame for ourselves.

Billy Graham has assured us that Christ will come to save us from from despair. We like that, for the coming of Christ absolves us of our responsibility to re repair the world we live in. There are those who blame the Communists, and we like that too, for the Communists are then tainted with our sins. We will blame anything and anyone but we

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will not blame ourselves.

The President has appointed a committee to investigate the causes of violence in this country, and the committee has one year to discover these causes. Do we need such a monument to foolishness? Do we need a group of men to tell us that hatred can't exist without loneliness? Do we need a committee to tell us that violence can't exist without hatred? Do we need them to inform us that violence can't exist without hypocrisy?

You, my hand-wringing friends, have caused the violence by allowing it to happen. You have caused the violence by your silence when any man is hurt. You have caused the violence with your bigotry. You have caused the violence with your mediocrity. You have caused the violence with your sophisticated greed. You caused the violence because you don't care.

How many times have you said that the country, while it has a few flaws, is still the best thing around? ~~Just want to say have you said~~  
How many times have you said that, yes, idealism is all right, but we have to deal with practical situations? How many times have you said you'd like to get involved, but gee, you just don't have the time? How many times have you said that, wow, there's so much to do--so many problems to solve, that you don't know where to start, and if you did start you couldn't do much good anyway? How many times have you heard these things said?

<sup>was</sup>  
It is these statements, and ones similar, that killed President Kennedy. They killed Medgar Evers, they killed Martin Luther King, they put the civil rights workers in the muddy dike, they killed Malcom X, they killed George Lincoln Rockwell, and they killed Senator Kennedy.

What can you do? You can get off your will-fed ass and help change things. This is your country. This is your world. This is your responsibility. Is "help change things" a meaningless phrase? Think. What are you capable of? What are you doing with your capability? Examine what

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u think is valuable about your life, examine what suc<sup>c</sup>ess you have achieved, examine what you love and what you hate. Is it valuable, your life? Is your suc<sup>c</sup>ess a truly valid suc<sup>c</sup>ess? Is it worth your love, and, more important, is it worth your hatred?

If you want ~~to want~~ to do something, if you want to get involved; and if you can't think of what to do--call the magazine office. We have a list of phone numbers. Organizations, clubs, Federal help things; State and local help things, Political organization<sup>s</sup>, whatever.. but do something, please, we don't have many heroes left.

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File No.

56-156-1a-137

Date Received

6-19-68

From

Officer Trives

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

Santa Monica P.D.

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Albert N. Cantlon

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes☐ No

Description:

1 copy of memo of Sgt. N,  
Trives, Santa Monica  
P.D., dated 6-9-68

7/19/68

## INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMO

DATE: JUNE 9, 1968 .  
TO: LT. H. TUCKER  
FROM: SGT. H. TRIVES  
SUBJECT: INFORMATION RE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

At approximately 8:25PM this date, I was detailed by Lt. Tucker to the Los Angeles International Airport, American Airlines, Crew Schedule Office, to contact John S. Morgan, Crew Schedule Officer for American Airlines, regarding possible information concerning the assassination of Robert Kennedy, that was allegedly passed on to SNPD Detective Hilmael on Thursday, 6-6-68.

I contacted John Morgan who related the following:  
At approximately 7:40PM this date, he received a telephone call from a person who identified herself as Veronica Deems, Telephone 823-3584. She stated that a person by the name of Tamara Corovich was aboard American Airlines Flight #4, which was destined to New York City, and that this person may have been connected with the Kennedy assassination. Morgan stated the only additional physical description that he received was that the party was 5'6 1/2" tall. Deems would not tell him the sex and implied the party was employed by American Airlines. Morgan immediately checked the passenger reservation list for that particular flight and was unable to locate the name Corovich. He also checked the crew list for that particular flight and was unable to locate the name Corovich.

With this information, I called Lt. Tucker and advised him to get an address listing on the phone number, which came back to Cecil Sterling, of 13940 Tahiti Way, Apt. #217, Marina Del Rey.

With this information, I attempted to contact the L.A.P.D. Intelligence Office and found that there was no one on duty, and then requested Headquarters Detective 3 Division of the Los Angeles Police Department. At approximately 9:40PM, I contacted Detective Burkland who stated that he would transfer me to Rampart Division Detectives, since they were handling the Kennedy case. I talked with Sgt. Rathburn and gave him all the information that I had, and requested that he go to the Tahiti Way address and interview the informant, since time was of the essence.

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TO: LT. H. TUCKER

FROM: SGT. H. TRIVES

Sgt. Rathburn and Detective Phillips went immediately to the Tahiti Way address. In the meantime, Superintendent of dispatch for American Airlines, Jack Overstreet had contacted Kennedy Airport and advised the Superintendent of Dispatch for American Airlines, of what was going on. Mr. Overstreet advised me that the New York Port Authority and the FBI would be standing by for additional information.

While waiting in the Dispatch Office for a reply from Sgt. Rathburn, Superintendent Overstreet and I were having a conversation as to how to identify the person Corovich if her name was not on any roster. I suggested that if she were traveling under an assumed name and that if her true name was Tamara Corovich then maybe she would respond to a page given in her true name. Mr. Overstreet immediately called New York and suggested the same and approximately ten minutes later he advised me that Corovich was being detained by the FBI, after having responded to the page. I immediately relayed this information to the Rampart Detectives, Detective Cullum, and advised him to pass it on to Sgt. Rathburn.

Prior to leaving the American Airlines Dispatch Office, I advised Superintendent Overstreet that any additional information received from New York should be passed on immediately to the Los Angeles Police Department-Rampart Division, Detective Sgt. Rathburn (624-5211, Ext. 4076).

I proceeded to the Tahiti address where I was to meet Detective R. Taylor and interview Veronica Deems regarding her contact with the Santa Monica Police Department (Detective Hilaiei). Upon our arrival at Apt. 6217, Taylor and I found LAPD Detectives Sgt. Rathburn and Phillips were already interviewing Deems. We called Sgt. Rathburn out into the hall and told him that the FBI was detaining Corovich in New York, and asked him if we might briefly talk to Deems regarding how she got the name of Det. Hilaiei.

I interviewed Veronica Deems who stated that she had been employed at the Miramar Boutique Shop and that there had been a theft report filed (DR Number unknown), and that her boss had spoken highly of Detective Hilaiei whom she had contacted regarding the theft, so she thought Hilaiei since he was an Arab would be the man to contact with this information. She asked me if he was an Arab, and I stated I was not familiar with his ethnic background.



DATE: JUNE 9, 1968

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TO: LT. H. TUCKER

FROM: SGT. N. TRIVES

She stated she had called Detective Hilafel last Thursday and reported this information to him and he said that he would investigate it and he would call her back.

At 12:20AM, 6-10-68, Detective Sgt. Rathburn called me and stated that they had completed the interview with Veronica Deems and had come to the conclusion that this information had no bearing on the Kennedy assassination.

Just shortly before that, Detective Cullum called me and stated that Veronica Deems had found the name Tamara Corovich in her boyfriend's shirt pocket and he felt that this was the basis for the alleged complaint.

It was the combined opinion of the Los Angeles Police Department Detectives that the informant in this matter was possibly psycho, and they felt that our Detectives had probably drawn the same conclusion.

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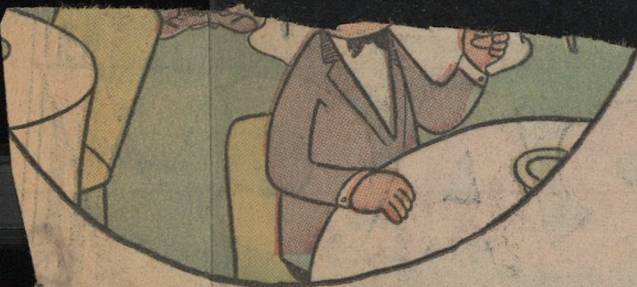
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# Police Clamp Security Lid on Suspect

BY RON EINSTOSS  
Times Staff Writer

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, 24, was indicted Friday on a charge of murdering Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and then was arraigned in a County Jail chapel amid probably the greatest security precautions ever taken for a court proceeding in this country.

The County Grand Jury also accused the slight, wiry Jordanian of assaulting, with a deadly weapon and with intent to commit murder, five other persons wounded during a shooting spree early Wednesday at the Ambassador.

Friday's extraordinary proceedings took nine hours.

They started at 9:30 a.m. with the summoning of the first of witnesses before the County Grand Jury in the Hall of Justice.

Then, late in the afternoon, followed the formal indictment.

"The grand jury," said Foreman L. E. McKee, "has reviewed the

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evidence presented and has voted to return an indictment against Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, charging him in one count with the murder of Robert F. Kennedy . . ."

Then came the arraignment—held, ironically, in a church, as the remains of Robert F. Kennedy lay in state in another house of worship in New York City. The jail chapel was used so sheriff's officers could maintain close security impossible in a regular courtroom.

At the end of the proceedings, at 6:30 p.m., a court order was made restricting comment by any public official or person connected with the case.

Throughout the long day, security appeared to be the primary consideration.

Newsmen covering the grand jury hearing were required to identify themselves, and witnesses were provided escorts both to and from the investigative panel's chambers on the Hall of Justice's fifth floor.

But that was just the beginning.

## 22 Witnesses Are Called

The same intense security conditions prevailed when the indictment was returned before Superior Judge Arthur L. Alarcon in his courtroom three floors above and later at the Central County Jail, where every person entering the third-floor chapel was searched for weapons—including Judge Alarcon.

Dep. Dist. Atty. John E. Howard and Morio Fukuto called 22 witnesses to testify before the grand jury.

They included eyewitnesses to the crime, police officers, ambulance drivers and attendants.

Because they were in New York to attend Sen. Kennedy's funeral, Rafter Johnson, former Olympic champion, and Roosevelt Grier, mammoth tackle for the Los Angeles Rams, were excused.

Both of them reportedly aided in the capture of Sirhan moments after

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## THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy with sunny afternoon today. Fair Sunday. High today and Sunday, near 72. Low Sunday, near 59. High Friday, 66; low, 60.

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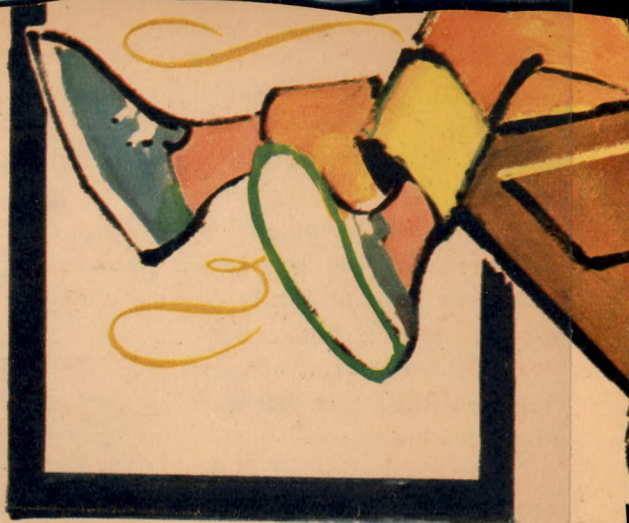
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