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FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM CIA. [S] U

A USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE INDICATED SUBJECT'S FATHER, BISHARA SALAMA SIRHAN, WAS BORN IN NINETEEN THIRTEEN IN TAYBEH, A VILLAGE NEAR RAMALLAH. HE AND THE FAMILY LIVED IN THE CHRISTIAN QUARTER OF EAST JERUSALEM. SUBJECT'S FATHER WAS SHOCKED AT SUBJECT'S ACT. [S-1] U

SUBJECT HAS FOUR BROTHERS: SHARIF, AGE THIRTYSIX; SADALLAH, AGE THIRTYFOUR; ADEL, AGE TWENTYEIGHT; AND MUNIR, AGE TWENTY. SUBJECT IS TWENTYTWO YEARS OF AGE. IN NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN SUBJECT, TOGETHER WITH HIS PARENTS AND BROTHERS SHARIF AND MUNIR AND HIS SISTER WENT TO THE UNITED STATES. SADALLAH AND ADEL JOINED THE FAMILY LATER. SUBJECT'S SISTER DIED IN THE UNITED STATES AT AN UNKNOWN DATE. [S-1] [S] U

SUBJECT'S FATHER QUARRELED WITH HIS WIFE AND FAMILY ABOUT TWO AND ONE-HALF YEARS AGO OVER THE KIND OF EDUCATION THE CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE. SUBJECT'S FATHER WANTED THEM TO HAVE A TRADITIONAL EDUCATION, BUT HE WAS UNSUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING THIS AND LEFT THE FAMILY AND RETURNED TO TAYBEH. [S-1] [S] U

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ACCORDING TO SUBJECT'S FATHER, SUBJECT STUDIED AT THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN JERUSALEM AND WAS CAUGHT STEALING AT THE SCHOOL. SUBJEP -, \$ 8 7495 34 -\$)) - 23&-, 59 73 - 8 IN JERUSALEM. THEY LEFT THEIR FATHER'S HOUSE AND WENT TO RAMALLAH. SUBJECT'S FATHER SAID THAT SUBJECT AND SADALLAH CONTINUED TO USE DRUGS AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL IN THE UNITED STATES AND THAT THEY BEGAN TO DRINK EXCESSIVELY. [S-1] [X] U

SUBJECT'S FATHER KNOWS NOTHING NOW ABOUT THE OCCUPATIONS OF ANY OF HIS SONS, EXCEPT THAT SADALLAH IS AN ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN OR ENGINEER. [S-1] [X] U

SOURCES REPORT THAT SUBJECT'S BROTHER ADEL SENT TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS TO HIS FATHER ON FEBRUARY TWENTYTHIRD, SIXTY-EIGHT. THE INSTRUMENT WAS DRAWN ON THE UNITED CALIFORNIA BANK AND WAS CASHED AT OR PAYABLE TO THE DISCOUNT BANK IN RAMALLAH. THE VOUCHER NUMBER WAS NINE COMMA ZERO EIGHT EIGHT COMMA NINE ZERO EIGHT. [S-1] [X] U [9-088-908] [S-1] [X] U 674-0111

SOURCE ALSO REPORTS THAT SUBJECT'S MOTHER HAS A SISTER NAMED VICTORIA WHO LIVES IN AMMAN, JORDAN. VICTORIA IS MARRIED TO SALIM NASAR, WHO OWNS A GROCERY STORE IN AMMAN. SUBJECT'S FATHER VISITED HIS SISTER-IN-LAW IN AMMAN TEN DAYS WMO. [S-1] [X] U

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TO DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES

FROM ST. LOUIS 44-782

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RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES, DETROIT, AND ST.
LOUIS JUNE FIVELAST.

METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS PD RECORDS DISCLOSED EDDIE A. SIRHAN,
NUMBER SEVEN EIGHT TWO THREE THREE DASH SIX, ARRESTED MAY FIFTEEN
FIFTYEIGHT SUSPECT DASH FUGITIVE, DETROIT, MICH. DISPOSITION
SHOWN AS RELEASED MAY SEVENTEEN FIFTYEIGHT. SIRHAN ALSO ARRESTED
NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN FIFTYSEVEN FOR NO STATE OPERATOR'S LICENSE,
NO STATE VEHICLE LICENSE AND NO CITY VEHICLE LICENSE AND WAS
FINED TEN DOLLARS PLUS COURT COSTS. ARRESTED DECEMBER TEN
FIFTYSIX FOR INVESTIGATION DASH SUSPECT GAMBLING BY CARDS, DISPOSITION
SHOWN AS RELEASED.

EDDIE A. SIRHAN DESCRIBED WHITE, MALE BORN NOVEMBER
TWENTYSEVEN THIRTYONE, JORDAN, FIVE FEET FIVE AND ONE QUARTER
INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES,
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SALESMAN AND MERCHANT, RESIDING TWO TWO TWO FIVE PARK,
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ST. LOUIS, MO., AND TEN SEVENTYSIX VINEWOOD, DETROIT, MICH., MAY FIFTYEIGHT, TWENTYTWO TWENTYTHREE A PARK, ST. LOUIS, MO., NOVEMBER FIFTYSEVEN, AND ONE ZERO SEVEN NORTY EIGHTEENTH STREET, ST. LOUIS MO., DECEMBER FIFTYSIX. NO PHOTO OF SIRHAN AVAILABLE AT ST. LOUIS PD.

ARRESTED WITH SIRHAN MAY FIFTEEN FIFTEIGHT WAS FRIEND, ISSA JERIES HAMARNEH, ST. LOUIS PD NUMBER SEVEN EIGHT TWO THREE THREE DASH SEVEN, CHARGED WITH SUSPECT DASH FUGITIVE, DETROIT, MICH., DISPOSITION SHOWN AS RELEASED MAY SEVENTEENFIFTEIGHT. HAMARNEH ALSO ARRESTED NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN FIFTYSEVEN, CHARGED WITH PERMITTING UNAUTHORIZED PERSON TO DRIVE AND WAS FINED FIVE DOLLARS PLUS COURT COSS.

HAMARNEH DESCRIBED WHITE, MALE BORN AUGUST TWENTYSEVEN TEN AND AUGUST TWENTYSEVEN THIRTEEN, PALESTINE, JORDAN, FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFOUR POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, FINGER-PRINT CLASSIFICATION TWENTYTWO, M OVER L, SEVENTEEN OVER ONE, W OVER U, 100 ONER 000, ELEVEN, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED] [REDACTED] SINGLE, OCCUPATION SALESMAN, RESIDING EDISON HOTEL, EIGHTEENTH AND CHESTNUT, ST. LOUIS, MO., MAY FIFTYEIGHT AND TWENTYTWO TWENTYTHREE PARK, ST. LOUIS MO., NOVEMBER FIFTYSEVEN. NO B NO PHOTO OF HAMARNEH AVAILABLE AT ST. LOUIS PD.

ST. LOUIS INDICES NEGATIVE CONCERNI G EDDIE A. SIRHAN AND ISSA JERIES HAMARNEH.

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RE WFO AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR JUNE FIVE LAST.

ON JUNE SIX INSTANT MR. A. W. STRATTON, DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION MADE FOLLOWING FILE AVAILABLE TO SA HARVEY E. WILKINSON:

SIRHAN SELIM SIRHAN, C NUMBER TWO ZERO FIVE ZERO NINE TWO EIGHT SEVEN WAS GIVEN A PHYSICAL EXAM ON JULY NINE FIFTYSEVEN WHILE IN U. S. ARMY. BIRTH DATE REFLECTED AS JUNE FIFTEEN THIRTYFOUR JERUSALEM, PALESTINE. HAD ARMY SERIAL NO. ONE SIX FOUR SEVEN ZERO TWO ONE NINE AND SERVED IN U. S. ARMY FROM AUGUST NINE FIFTYFOUR TO JULY TWENTYSIX FIFTYSEVEN. UPON DISCHARGE LISTED HIS HOME AS DETROIT, MICHIGAN. HIS FATHER WAS SALIM SIRHAN AND MOTHER MARIAM M. SIRHAN. WIFE, NELLY BORN
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AT SALT (JORDAN) WHOM HE MARRIED ON MAY TWENTYSEVEN FIFTYSEVEN

AT SALT. FILE HAS NO CURRENT INFO ON THIS INDIVIDUAL.

ADDITIONAL SEARCH VA FILES CONTAIN NO IDENTIFIABLE
RECORD ON SUBJECT OR KNOWN BROTHERS OF SUBJECT. P.

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TO DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES
FROM PITTSBURGH (44-583)

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REBUTEL TO ALL SACS, JUNE FIVE, LAST.

ON JUNE SIX, INSTANT, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT ON TWO OCCASIONS ADEL SIRHAN, POSSIBLY SUBJECT'S BROTHER, WAS FINGERPRINTED BY PITTSBURGH PD FOR SOLICITORS PERMITS. ON FIRST OCCASION, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, FIFTYONE, ADEL LISTED ADDRESS AS NINE ZERO FOUR FIFTH AVENUE, PGH. DOB NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN, THIRTYONE, POB SYRIA, HEIGHT FIVE FT. SIX INCHES, WEIGHT ONE FORTYFIVE LBS., DARK COMPLEXION, BROWN EYES, BLACK HAIR, FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION NINETEEN O OVER I, TWENTYNINE OVER TWENTYTWO, W OVER U, IOO OVER OII, FINAL EIGHT FROM NO. TEN FINGER. ADEL ALLEGED TO BE SELF EMPLOYED AND SOLD DRY GOODS DOOR-TO-DOOR. ADEL LISTED AS A REFERENCE, HIS AUNT, HELEN BARHAN, ONE SEVEN ONE EIGHT FREEPORT ROAD, NEW KENSINGTON, PA.

ON APRIL EIGHTEEN, FIFTYEIGHT, ADEL OBTAINED SECOND PERMIT BEARING ADDRESS OF THREE FIVE SEVEN SOUTH GRAHAM ST., PGH. DESCRIPTIVE INFO SAME AS ON FIRST PERMIT.

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LOS ANGELES, ADVISE WHETHER INDIVIDUAL FINGERPRINTED AT PITTSBURGH IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT'S BROTHER.

PITTSBURGH WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE HELEN BARHAN TO DETERMINE IF RELATIVE OF SUBJECT, AND INTERVIEW RE SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES. P.

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OFFICE OF SECURITY INTELLIGENCE & RESEARCH; DEPT OF JUSTICE

ATTN: ATTORNEY GENERAL CLARK

1. FROM AN OFFICIAL SOURCE IN AMMAN WE HAVE LEARNED THAT ONE
WALID MUHAMMAD AHMAD SIRHAN, AGE 23, FROM SULMAN, JORDAN, ARRIVED IN
THE US ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO AND IS STUDYING AUTO MECHANICS AT A

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SCHOOL IN JACKSON, MICHIGAN. HE LIVES AT 508 WEST JACKSON STREET IN JACKSON, MICHIGAN, 49201. IN LETTERS TO HIS SISTER IN AMMAN WALID HAS REPORTED THAT HE HAS MADE FRIENDS WITH AND DEVELOPED A CLOSE QUOTE BROTHERLY UNQUOTE RELATIONSHIP WITH SIRHAN SIRHAN.

2. THE ABOVE INFORMATION COMES FROM WALID'S UNCLE, ITSAQ SIRHAN WHO LIVES IN AMMAN, JORDAN, AND WHO CLAIMS THAT THERE IS NO QUOTE DIRECT UNQUOTE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HIS FAMILY AND THAT OF SIRHAN SIRHAN.

3. WE HAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE NAMED SIRHAN SIRHAN, NOR OF HIS POSSIBLE IDENTITY WITH SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, ALSO KNOWN AS SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN.

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STATE ATTN MR. RUSK, OFFICE OF SECURITY, INTELLIGENCE & RESEARCH;
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1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN,
ALSO KNOWN AS SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN, IS FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES IN
AMMAN..

2. THE FULL FAMILY NAME IS GHAITIS-SIRHAN. THE FAMILY IS ORIGINALLY FROM THE VILLAGE OF TAYBEH NEAR RAMALLAH, JERUSALEM DISTRICT. ALL THE FAMILY ARE GREEK ORTHODOX AND SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH SEVERAL SIRHAN FAMILIES IN JORDAN AND SYRIA WHO ARE MUSLIM. THE FAMILY WAS ALWAYS POOR, AND AT SOME TIME DURING THE MANDATE MOST OF THE MEMBERS MOVED INTO THE NASARA (CHRISTIAN) QUARTER OF THE OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM. THE FAMILY LONG DEPENDED ON CHURCH CHARITY TO SURVIVE. NONE OF THE FAMILY MEMBERS HAS A KNOWN SUBVERSIVE OR CRIMINAL RECORD.

3. THE FILES CONTAINING RECORDS CONCERNING MARY BISHARA SIRHAN, PASSPORT 142026, WERE LEFT IN JERUSALEM DURING THE JUNE WAR AND ARE PRESUMED INTACT AND UNDER THE CONTROL OF ISRAELI OFFICIALS IN JERUSALEM.

4. SOME MEMBERS OF THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY, NAMES UNKNOWN, ARE BELIEVED STILL LIVING IN THE NASARA SECTION, OLD CITY.

5. THERE IS NO RECORD CONCERNING SUBJECT'S AUNT, ELEN HADAWWAR OR HADANAH. THERE IS A PALESTINIAN HAWADAH FAMILY WHICH IS OF JEWISH ORIGIN, BUT IT CANNOT BE DETERMINED NOW WHETHER ELEN AND MARY SIRHAN, SUBJECT'S MOTHER, BELONG TO THAT FAMILY.

6. THE ZAHARAN FAMILY IN JORDAN IS CLOSELY RELATED TO THE

GHATTIS-SIRHAN FAMILY AND ELDER ZAHARAN MALES ARE BEING QUERIED RE
ANY KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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FROM ATLANTA (44-2412)

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ON SIX SEVEN INSTANT, MRS. HUBERT (CLIFFORD) RITCHIE, WIFE OF THE MAYOR OF CORNELIA, GEORGIA, ADVISED THAT SHE HAD BEEN TRAVELING IN EUROPE DURING APRIL, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, AND JOINED IN ROME, ITALY, BROWNELL TOUR NUMBER SIXTEEN (HOLY LAND PORTION) FOR FIVE FOURTEEN DASH TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT, TOURING THE HOLY LAND.

ON EITHER FIVE SIXTEEN OR FIVE SEVENTEEN SIXTYEIGHT, A LICENSED GUIDE, JACOB HENIGMAN, ADDRESS RAMAT-GAN, FIVE SEVEN, BIALIK STREET, TEL AVIV ISRAEL, TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN THREE TWO DASH FOUR FOUR ONE, AT THE TIME THE TOUR DEPARTED IN THE MORNING ANNOUNCED THAT ROBERT KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. AT THIS TIME THE GUIDE WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND INASMUCH AS SHE DID NOT OBSERVE ANY ENGLISH TRANSLATION NEWSPAPER, SHE WAS NOT AWARE THAT SENATOR KENNEDY HAD NOT BEEN SHOT UNTIL SHE ARRIVED BACK IN THE UNITED STATES.

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MRS. RITCHIE ADVISED THAT THERE WAS NEVER ANY RETRACTION OF THE STATEMENT BY THE GUIDE AND ON SUBSEQUENT MORNING WHEN QUESTIONED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE TOUR CONCERNING HIS STATEMENT, ADVISED HE HAD NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGED SHOOTING OF ROBERT KENNEDY.

MRS. RITCHIE ADVISED SHE WAS FURNISHING THIS INFORMATION FOR WHATEVER VALUE IT MAY HAVE AND SHE COULD NOT ELABORATE ON IT FURTHER.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM: DETROIT

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REBUTEL TO ALL SACS, JUNE FIVE LAST.

FOR INFO LOS ANGELES, TERRY MICKEY WELCH, TWO FIVE ONE SEVEN THREE FARMBROOK, SOUTHELD, MICHIGAN, CALLED WWJ- TV DETROIT AFTER SEEING PHOTO OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN ON TV AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY INTERVIEWED ON THAT STATION. WELCH INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS, SIX SIX INSTANT. HE FIRST MET SIRHAN APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS AGO WHEN BOTH WERE EXERCISE BOYS AT GRANJA VISTA DEL RIO THOROUGHbred HORSE FARM AT CORONA, CALIFORNIA, OWNED BY BURT ALTA FISH (PHONETIC) A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR. HE LAST SAW AND HAD CONTACT WITH SIRHAN IN MAY, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN. IN AUTUMN OF NINETEEN SIXTY SIX SIRHAN SERIOUSLY INJURED IN FALL FROM HORSE AND SPENT SEVERAL WEEKS IN HOSPITAL AT CORONA IN CRITICAL CONDITION WITH HEAD AND BACK INJURIES. AS RESULT HE IS PARTIALLY BLIND IN LEFT EYE AND SUFFERS FROM SEVERE HEADACHES. PRIOR TO ACCIDENT SIRHAN WAS GOOD NATURED AND POPULAR WITH EVERYONE WHO KNEW HIM. WELCH DESCRIBED HIM AS FINEST PERSON HE EVER KNEW, EXTREMELY INTELLIGENT, NEAT, CLEAN, GENTLEMANLY AND AMBITIOUS. HE WAS AN AVID READER ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN LAW. AFTER THE ACCIDENT SIRHAN UNDERWENT COMPLETE PERSONALITY CHANGE BECOMING QUIET AND ALOOF, UNPREDICTIBLE AND A LONER. HE STARTED SHOWING RESENTMENT TOWARD PEOPLE WITH WEALTH.

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SIRHAN ALSO

KNOWN AS SOL BY RACE TRACK ACQUAINTANCES. WELCH STATED SIRHAN WAS ANTI-COMMUNIST AND DID NOT APPEAR TO BE PREJUDICED AGAINST ANY RACE OR NATIONALITY. WELCH NEVER MET ANY OF SIRHAN'S RELATIVES AND DOES NOT KNOW ANY OF THEIR NAMES. HE RECALLED SIRHAN SAID HIS MOTHER'S NAME WAS MARY AND THAT HIS FATHER DID NOT COME TO THE UNITED STATES WITH THE FAMILY. HIS MOTHER LIVED IN PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. WELCH STATED PERSONS KNOWING SIRHAN AS:

ONE. BURT ALTA FISH (PHONETIC).

TWO. FRANK DONORAMA, ALSO AT GRANJA VISTA DEL RIO.

THREE. DESI ARNEZ

FOUR. BUDDY EBSON.

FIVE. DALE ROBERTSON.

SIX. BOB WHEELER, OWNER AND TRAINER AT SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK.

AND POSSIBLY REVEREND LEO HILL, PASTOR, CIRCLE CITY BAPTIST CHURCH, NINTH AND SHERIDAN, CORONA, CALIFORNIA.

ARNEZ, EBSON AND ROBERTSON ALL TV PERSONALITIES, KEPT HORSES AT GRANJA VISTA DEL RIO. SIRHAN GAVE WELCH THE NAME OF REVEREND HILL AT A TIME WHEN WELCH WAS HAVING PERSONAL PROBLEMS. WELCH DOES NOT BELIEVE SIRHAN WOULD HAVE SHOT SENATOR KENNEDY FOR MONEY, NOR WOULD HE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN A CONSPIRACY. TO HIS KNOWLEDGE SIRHAN DID NOT BELONG TO ANY ORGANIZATION NOR DID HE SEEM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN POLITICS.

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SIRHAN TOLD WELCH HE HAD ONCE BEEN EXPELLED FROM A COLLEGE IN LOS ANGELES OVER TROUBLE WITH A GIRL. ALSO THAT HE HAD ONCE WORKED AT A GUN OR SKEET CLUB IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA.

BURT ALTAFISH CAN FURNISH MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS. WELCH BELIEVES THE PERSONALITY CHANGE SIRHAN EXPERIENCED AFTER HIS FALL MUST HAVE GOTTEN WORSE IN THE LAST YEAR AND THAT THIS LED TO HIS SHOOTING OF SENATOR KENNEDY.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES

FROM: SACRAMENTO (62-76) (P) 2P

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RE DENVER TELETYPE, JUNE SIX, LAST.

ROBERT KNUDSEN, COORDINATOR, FRESNO EXCHANGE STUDENTS, FRESNO STATE COLLEGE, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED HE KNOWS OF NO JORDANIAN ORGANIZATION AT FRESNO STATE COLLEGE. HE STATED THAT ABOUT ONE YEAR AGO, AN ARAB GROUP TRIED TO START AN ORGANIZATION INTERESTED IN POLITICS, BUT THE ATTEMPT WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. HE IDENTIFIED THE ONLY THREE JORDANIAN STUDENTS WHO WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT FRESNO STATE COLLEGE THE PAST SEMESTER AS JOHN THEODOSI, ABDURRHMAN MUHAREB, AND IBRAHIM HAMMDAN, NONE OF WHOM HE BELIEVED TO BE INTERESTED IN POLITICS.

JOHN THEODOSI, ONE TWO THREE TWO EAST ELIZABETH, FRESNO, ADVISED HE WAS ON AN ENGINEERING FIELD TRIP AT POINT MUGU, CALIFORNIA, ON THE DAY SENATOR KENNEDY VISITED THE FRESNO STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS IN APRIL, SIXTYEIGHT. HE STATED THAT MUHAREB MAY HAVE ATTENDED, BUT MUHAREB IS VISITING NOW IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR A FEW DAYS. HAMMDAN RESIDES AT EIGHT ZERO EIGHT EAST PONTIAC WAY, FRESNO, BUT COULD NOT BE LOCATED FOR
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INTERVIEW. THEODOSI STATED HE IS CERTAIN THAT NEITHER MUHAREB OR HAMMDAN HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SIRHAN SIRHAN, INASMUCH AS THEY DISCUSSED THIS INDIVIDUAL SINCE THE SHOOTING OF KENNEDY. HE ADDED THAT BOTH WERE ON CAMPUS WHEN KENNEDY VISITED FRESNO STATE COLLEGE, BUT THEY DID NOT DISCUSS WITH THEODOSI ANY COMMENTS MADE BY KENNEDY.

UAC, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED REGARDING THIS MATTER AT FRESNO STATE COLLEGE.

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RE SUSPECT SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD STATION, TURLOCK,
CALIFORNIA.

EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL SEEN BY
ESHOO AND MOOSHEY.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE JUNE SEVEN INSTANT RE EXPEDITING
INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL SEEN BY ESHOO AND MOOSHEY.

Don't know?
LOS ANGELES ADVISE RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF MR AND MRS MOOSHEY
AND EXPEDITIOUSLY FURNISH THE SACRAMENTO DIVISION PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT
SEND ONE SET DIRECT TO MODESTO RESIDENT AGENCY, P. O. BOX TWO ZERO
THREE, MODESTO, CALIFORNIA NINE FIVE THREE FIVE ZERO. INCLUDE IF
AVAILABLE PHOTOS OF UNSUB BLOND IN POLKADOT DRESS. INVESTIGATION
CONTINUING AT TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA.

SC THIRTEEN DASH C ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT DURING PERIOD NINETEEN
SIXTYFIVE DASH SIXTYSEVEN, TWO JORDANIAN NATIONALS IN SACRAMENTO
WERE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN LARGE QUANTITIES OF GUNS AND AMMUNITION
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FOR ILLEGAL SHIPMENT TO JORDAN. SOURCE IDENTIFIED THEM AS AHMAD
RASHID, THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY YEARS AND BROTHER (FNU) RASHID, THIRTYFIVE
TO FIFTY YEARS FORMERLY RESIDING AT FOUR FIVE EIGHT ONE CEDARWOOD
WAY, SACRAMENTO. (FNU) RASHID MARRIED TO AMERICAN GIRL, MYRA J. RASHID,
AKA MYRA JANETTE ROMERO. IN NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE MYRA RASHID PURCHASED
A S AND W CHIEF SPECIAL THIRTYEIGHT, TWO INCH BARREL, SERIAL NUMBER
THREE ZERO EIGHT SIX SEVEN TWO, IN SACRAMENTO.

MYRA DESCRIBED AS WHITE FEMALE BORN MARCH TWELVE, NINETEEN
THIRTYFOUR IN CALIFORNIA, FIVE FEET TWO INCHES, ONE HUNDRED TEN POUNDS,
BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES. PHOTOGRAPH APPEARS ON CALIFORNIA DRIVER-S
LICENSE BEING FURNISHED INSTANT DATE TO LOS ANGELES BY ROUTING SLIP.
SACRAMENTO INDICES NEGATIVE RE ABOVE NAMES.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES

FROM: SACRAMENTO (62-76) (P) 6P

KENSALT.

MRS. PENNA ESHOO, FOUR ZERO FIVE NORTH PALM, TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA,
INTERVIEWED AT RESIDENCE OF AND IN PRESENCE OF MRS. SAVANNAH STONER,
THREE THREE ZERO NORTH PALM, TURLOCK, JUNE SIX, INSTANT FURNISHED
INFORMATION AS FOLLOWS:

ON DATE KENNEDY ELECTION SPECIAL TRAIN ARRIVED AT SOUTHERN
PACIFIC RAILROAD STATION, TURLOCK, RECALLED BY MRS. ESHOO AS A
SUNDAY, DATE UNKNOWN, SHE WENT TO STATION WITH ELISHA (PH) MOOSHEY
AND HIS WIFE MARTHA MOOSHEY, THREE ONE FIVE HOLLYWOOD WAY, BURBANK,
CALIFORNIA. IT IS NOTED THAT TRAIN ACTUALLY WAS IN TURLOCK ON
MEMORIAL DAY, MAY THIRTY, LAST. THEY ARRIVED AT STATION PRIOR TO
PUBLICIZED TIME OF ARRIVAL, AT ABOUT TWO THIRTY P.M. MR. MOOSHEY
OBTAINED SEAT IN PATIO AREA AWAY FROM STATION PLATFORM AND MRS. ESHOO
AND MRS. MOOSHEY WENT TO CONCRETE PLATFORM AREA BETWEEN STATION AND
RAILROAD TRACKS. THERE WERE ONE OR TWO SMALL CHILDREN PLAYING ON
TRACKS AND NO ADULTS IN THE PLATFORM AREA. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, TWO
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MEN WHO APPEARED TO BE TOGETHER APPEARED ON PLATFORM. MRS. ESHOO DESCRIBED THEM AS FOLLOWS: (ONE) MALE ADULT, NATIONALITY UNKNOWN, ONE OR TWO INCHES SHORTER THAN MRS. ESHOO, WHO IS FIVE FEET THREE INCHES, WEIGHT ONE TWO ZERO TO ONE TWO FIVE POUNDS, WITH SMALL BUILD, AGE TWENTY TO TWENTYONE, HAIR "PITCH" BLACK AND W WAVY, VERY HEAVY AND SHINY WITH OIL WITH LOOSE LOCKS OF HAIR HANGING OVER PART OF FOREHEAD. EYEBROWS AND EYELASHES PROMINENT AND VERY BLACK. NOTICEABLE PIMPLES ON FACE WHICH APPEARED DISCLORED OR WITH MULTIPLE COLORED PATCHES WHICH GAVE A SCARED APPEARANCE, AS FROM ACNE OR BAD FACIAL CONDITION. EYES DARK OR BLACK WITH NOTICEABLE PUFFINESS OR CIRCLES UNDER THEM. NOSE BROAD AND FLAT. FACE ROUND. THIS PERSON WAS WEARING "ALL DARK CLOTHES," EXACT COLOR UNKNOWN, AND CANVASS "GYM SHOES," COLOR UNKNOWN. HE WORE HEAVY DARK JACKET WITH BUTTON, APPARENTLY OF WOOL, SIMILAR TO TYPE WORN IN NAVY. SHE DOES NOT KNOW IF THER WERE ONE OR TWO ROWS OF BUTTONS ON JACKET, AS THE FRONT SIDE OF THE JACKET WAS LAPPED OVER THE OTHER. HIS HANDS WERE IN HIS POCKETS WZOWIER POCKETS RAISED THE FRONT OF THE COAT SLIGHTLY, BUT THE COAT CAME TO ABOUT MID-THIGH. SHE CANNOT DESCRIBE THE TROUSERS EXCEPT THAT THEY WERE DARK. HE WORE NO GLASSES OR HAT. MRS. ESHOO SAW NO JEWELRY OF ANY KIND.

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((TWO) WHITE MALE ADULT, AT LEAST SIX FEET ONE INCH IN HEIGHT (ONE FOOT TALLER THAN NUMBER ONE), AGE TWENTY TO TWENTYONE, WEIGHT ONE FOUR ZERO TO ONE FOUR FIVE, SLENDER BUILD, HAIR "THE COLOR OF A BROWN PAPER BAG," COMPLEXION LIGHT OR FAIR, WEARING A WHITE LONG SLEEVED SHIRT OPEN AT THE NECK, SUNTAN PANTS, SHOES UNKNOWN, NO GLASSES OR HAT, AND NO JEWELRY SEEN. THIS MAN ALSO KEPT HIS HANDS IN HIS POCKETS.

MRS. MOOSLEY SAID TO MRS. ESHOO THAT THE MAN WEARING THE COAT ""LOOKS AWFULLY SUSPICIOUS," AND MRS. ESHOO REPLIED THAT HE CERTAINLY DID SINCE HE WAS WEARING SUCH A HEAVY COAT IN VERY HOT WEATHER. THEREAFTER, MRS. MOOSHEY DEPARTED TO SIT WITH HER HUSBAND. MRS. ESHOO STAYED ON THE PLATFORM WITHIN FIVE OR SIX FEET OF THE TWO MEN. THEREAFTER, A GIRL APPEARED ON THE PLATFORM. MRS. ESHOO DESCRIBED HER AS FOLLOWS: WHITE FEMALE ADULT, YOUNG, AGE UNKNOWN, FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE SEVEN ZERO OUNDS, HEAVY BUILD, BUSHY CURLY HAIR, UNKEMPT CUT SHORT AT NAPE OF NECK. BIG HEAD AND FACE, LIGHT COMPLEXION, WEARING WHITE BLOUSE WITH LONG SLEEVES, STRAIGHT BLUE SKIRT AND GYM SHOES, COLOR UNKNOWN. SHE WAS CARRYING BROWN LEATHER HANDBAG WITH OVERLAPPING COVER WHICH WAS FRINGED OR CUT ALONG EDGES AND WHICH SHE DESCRIBED AS THE "COWBOY TYPE." SHE HAD SOME

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LARGE ROUND KENNEDY BUTTONS ABOUT THREE OR FOUR INCHES IN DIAMETER WHICH SHE WAS SELLING, FOR FIFTY CENTS EACH. SHE THINKS THE GIRL HAD FOUR OF THESE IN HER HADBAG.

MRS. ESHOO OVERHEARD THIS GIRL TALKING TO THE TALL BLOND MAN IN A LANGUAGE SHE DID NOT RECOGNIZE. MRS. ESHOO UNDERSTANDS BUT DOES NOT SPEAK PORTUGUESE AND ARABIC, AND SPEAKS TURKISH, RUSSIAN, AND ASSYRIAN, HER NATIVE TONGUE. IT WAS NONE OF THESE LANGUAGES. THE GIRL HAD COME FROM INSIDE TRAIN STATION AND WAS OVERHEARD TO COMMENT TO OTHERS IN THE CROWD THAT HAD GATHERED THAT THE TRAIN WOULD BE LATE. LATER, AT ABOUT THREE THIRTY PM, MRS. ESHOO WHO BECAME "SUSPICIOUS" OF THIS GIRL BECAUSE SHE WAS TALKING TO THE TWO MEN FOLLOWED HER IN AND OUT OF THE TRAIN STATION. THE GIRL ASKED AN OLDER MAN BEHIND THE COUOTER IN STATION WHEN TRAIN WOULD ARRIVE AND HE ADVISED HER IT WOULD BE ANOTHER HOUR AND FORTY MINUTES. MRS. ESHOO FOLLOWED THE GIRL OUTSIDE AND THE GIRL AGAIN SPOKE TO THE TALL BLOND MAN, ADVISING HIM IN ENGLISH OF THIS FACT. THE SHORT DARK MAN THEN SHUFFLED HIS RIGHT FOOT BACK AND FORTY ON THE GROUND AND SAID IN ENGLISH "LET'S GO," AND THE TWO MEN WALKED AWAY, TO THE NORTH. SHE DID NOT SEE THEM AGAIN, ALTHOUGH SHE LATER LOOKED FOR THEM IN THE CROWD THAT HAD GATHERED. SHE OBSERVED THE GIRL TALKING TO A SMALL

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DARK GIRL THEREAFTER. SHE CANNOT FURTHER DESCRIBE THIS GIRL, BUT BELIEVED THEY WERE ALSO TALKING IN THE LANGUAGE SHE DID NOT RECOGNIZE. THE TWO MEN WERE AT THE STATION FROM ABOUT TWO FORTYFIVE PM TO THREE THIRTY PM.

PREVIOUSLY, ABOUT THREE TWENTY PM, SHE HAD HEARD TALLER BLOND MAN SAY "HERE IT COMES" WHEN A FREIGHT TRAIN WENT THROUGH THE STATION.

AFTER KENNEDY TRAIN ARRIVED, ABOUT FOUR FIFTY PM OR THEREAFTER, MRS. ESHOO AND THE MOOSHEYS RETURNED TO MRS. ESHOO'S HOME.

MRS. MOOSHEY AGAIN STATED THE SHORT DARK MAN LOOKED AWFULLY SUSPICIOUS AND MR. MOOSHEY STATED, "OK, HONEY, YOU ARE FBI."

WHEN MRS. ESHOO OBSERVED THE TELEVISION PICTURES OF THE SHOOTING, SHE SAW A FULL FACE PICTURE OF THE ARRESTED SUSPECT. SHE IMMEDIATELY YELLED TO HER CHILDREN THAT THIS MAN HAD BEEN AT THE TURLOCK RAILROAD STATION. PHOTOGRAPHS OF FLORENCO L. MATIONG, CALIF. A THREE SEVEN SIX ONE FOUR, HAROLD OTTO MONTTOYA, CALIF. A FIVE TWO ZER THREE SEVEN, AND ALFRED ARTHUR MONTTOYA, CALIF. A FIVE ONE NINE ZERO NINE, WERE INDIVIDUALLY EXHIBITED TO HER. SHE EMPHATICALLY STATED THAT NONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE THE PERSON SHE SAW. XEROX COPY OF CALIF. DRIVER'S LICENSE ISSUED NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR TO SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN WAS EXHIBITED TO HER WITH ONLY THE

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FACE OF THE DRIVER SHOWN. SHE IMMEDIATELY POSTIVELY IDENTIFIED THIS PERSON AS THE PERSON SHE SAW. SHE STATED EMPHATICALLY THAT THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION; THAT THIS IS THE PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PERSON OBSERVED BY HER. SHE STATED SHE IS CONFIDENT HE WOULD RECOGNIZE HER ALSO SINCE THEY FREQUENTLY WERE FACE TO FACE, GITHIN FIVE OR SIX FEET OF EACH OTHER, DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME SHE WAS AT THE STATION

MRS. ESHOO, WHO SPEAKS RAPID BUT BROKEN ENGLISH, ADVISED SHW ENTERED UNITED STATES AS AN IMMIGRANT FROM PERSIA, NOW IRAN, IN THE EARLY THIRTIES, AND IS A NATURALIZED CITIZEN.

LOS ANGELES, AT BURBANK, IMMEDIATELY LOCATE AND THOROUGHLY INTERVIEW MR. AND MRS. MOOSHEY. MR. MOOSHEY IS UNEMPLOYED AND SHOULD BE HOME. MRS. MOOSHEY WORKS AT UNKNOWN FACTORY IN LOS ANGELES, MAKING SLIP COVERS.

ADVISE SACRAMENTO OF ANY POSSIBLE ASSOCIATES OF SIRHAN MEETING GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SECOND MAN AND WOMAN AND FURNISH PHOTOS IF POSSIBLE.

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LOS ANGELES VIA WASHINGTON

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THAT ON JUNE SIX NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, ARNOLD JOHNSON
FURNISHED NEW YORK TIMES WITH TEXT OF STATEMENT BY GUS
HALL AS GENERAL SECRETARY OF CP, USA, AS FOLLOWS;

" MAYOR YORTY'S FALSE CHARGE THAT THE ASSASSIN OF
SENATOR KENNEDY AND ANY ASSOCIATION WHATSOEVER WITH
COMMUNISTS AND THE PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT IS A DELIBERATE
ATTEMPT TO THROW SAND IN THE EYES OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
IN A CRUDE EFFORT TO PREVENT ANY REAL INVESTIGATION OF THIS
FOUL DEED AND THE CONSPIRACY BEHIND IT. THIS IS A CRIMINAL
ACT BY YORTY WHO HIMSELF IS PART OF THE ULTRA RIGHT
CONSPIRACY. *(u)*

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THOSE BEHIND THE GUN OF THE MURDERER ARE THE SAME
FORCES WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, THE REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR., MALCOLM X. MEDGAR EVERS AND SCORES OF OTHERS.

THE CONSPIRATORS ARE THE BLATANT WHITE RACISTS AND
WAR HAWKS. THEY MUST BE EXPOSED AND PROSECUTED." [X](u)

JOHNSON ASSERTED THAT REPORTS OF YORTY'S STATEMENTS
HAS APPEARED IN NEWSPAPERS AND HE WANTED TO BE SURE
THAT THE STATEMENT APPEARED SO THAT IT WOULD BE CLEAR
THAT COMMUNISTS ARE NOT TIED UP IN ANY WAY. [X](u)

HE WAS TOLD

IT WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE REPORTER HANDLING THE STORY. [X](u)
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ON JUNE SEVEN INSTANT IBRAHIM ALBERT MISRAHI, MISSION, KS.,
NATURALIZED EGYPTIAN JEW, WHO IS CONSIDERED UNRELIABLE BY THE BUREAU
AND KANSAS CITY, ADVISED THAT SAMYA NASSER, A FEMALE IRAQ ALIEN
STUDENT, ONE FIVE TWO ASHBERRY, SAN FRANCISCO, PHONE THREE EIGHT
SEVEN DASH FOUR FIVE FIVE SIX, IS A MEMBER OF ARAB STUDENT ORGANIZATION
AND EXTREMELY ANTI-SEMITIC. MISRAHI HAS NEVER MET HER BUT SPOKE TO
HER ON PHONE IN SAN FRANCISCO SEPT. SIXTY-SEVEN. NASSER WORKS AT
BAGDAD NIGHTCLUB, SAN FRANCISCO. MISRAHI HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE
NASSER IS INVOLVED IN INSTANT CASE BUT HEARD OF "MYSTERY WOMAN"
ASSOCIATE OF SERHAN SERHAN THROUGH NEWS MEDIA AND FURNISHED NASSER'S
NAME FOR ANY POSSIBLE INTEREST.

ANY LEADS LEFT TO DISCRETION OF LOS ANGELES.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (62-4177)

KENSALT

RE LAS VEGAS TEL TO DETROIT AND LOS ANGELES, JUNE FIVE
INSTANT; DETROIT TEL TO LOS ANGELES, JUNE SIX INSTANT, AND
LOS ANGELES TEL TO DETROIT, JUNE SIX INSTANT.

SIRHAN SALIM SIRHAN, DOB JUNE FIFTEEN, THIRTY FOUR,
JERUSALEM, PALESTINE, EMPLOYED BRYANT COMPUTER PRODUCTS,
DIVISION OF EXCELLO CORP., WALLED LAKE, MICH., HOME ADDRESS
TWO FIVE ZERO FIVE N. GREEN, DETROIT, SAID NOT RELATED
OR ACQUAINTED WITH SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. HE DENIED
MAKING STATEMENT TO ANY PERSON THAT HE HAD RELATIVES IN
CALIF. WHOM HE WANTED TO VISIT. SAID ALL RELATIVES
RESIDE DETROIT AREA EXCEPT FIRST COUSIN WHO RESIDES GOSHEN,
INDIANA. RELATIVES FURNISHED AS FOLLOWS:

FATHER- SALIM SALEM SIRHAN, ONE TWO ONE ONE HUBBARD,
DETROIT; MOTHER- MIRIAM KHADER SIRHAN, SAME ADDRESS AS FATHER;
BROTHERS- SALEM (SAM) SIRHAN, HAZEL PARK, MICH.- TEWFIC (TOM)
SIRHAN, DEARBORN HEIGHTS, MICH.- SAMI SIRHAN, FOUR ZERO FOUR
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FIVE PORTER, DETROIT; SISTER- ALICE BATAYEH, TWO ONE ZERO ZERO
MC KINSTRY; FIRST COUSINS- AWAD (HOWARD) SIRHAN, SPRINGER STREET,
DETROIT- FAHIM (FRED) SIRHAN, ROMULUS, MICH.- KAREM (SAM) SIRHAN
VINEWOOD, DETROIT, - GHALIB (PETE) SIRHAN, W. DEARBORN, MICH.-
ADEL (EDDIE) SIRHAN, HUBBARD STREET- ABED (DELBERT) SIRHAN, GOSHEN,
INDIANA- NASRA SIRHAN, FOUR ZERO FOUR FIVE PORTER (MARRIED TO SAMI)-
NORMA SIRHAN, RESIDES WITH AWAD ON SPRINGER.

PARENTS OF FIRST COUSINS RESIDE JORDAN. SIRHAN STATED
HE HAS NO OTHER RELATIVES IN U.S.

SALIM SALEM SIRHAN, ONE TWO ONE ONE HUBBARD, DETROIT,
IN U.S. SINCE NINETEEN TWENTY, SAID HE SAW PICTURE OF SIRHAN
BISHARA SIRHAN'S FATHER ON TV AND HE APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL
TO BISHARA SALEMEH KHATTAS (PHN) WHO IS FROM SAME VILLAGE IN
JORDAN, TAYBEH, THAT HE, SALEM, IS FROM. HE LAST SAW HIM
WHEN HE VISITED IN JORDAN, TAYBEH, FOUR YEARS AGO. HE
IS OF OPINION THAT IF KHATTAS VISITED U.S. HE CHANGED HIS
LAST NAME TO SIRHAN. HE HAS NEVER KNOWN HIM TO USE THE
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LAST NAME SIRHAN. HE DID NOT KNOW KHATTAS FAMILY AND DOES NOT KNOW THEIR WHEREABOUTS. HE DENIED KNOWING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

ADEL (EDDIE) AID SIRHAN, DOB NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, THIRTY ONE, IN U.S. SINCE NINETEEN FORTY NINE, DENIES KNOWING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN OR HAVING ANY RELATIVES IN CALIF.

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deno IMMEDIATELY SUTEL RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH NBC REPORTER
SANDER VANOCUR AND SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED TO LOCATE
THE WOMAN WHO ALLEGEDLY SAW SIRHAN AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL.

ALSO SUTEL RESULTS OF ANY BALLISTIC TESTS MADE ON THE
REVOLVER AND ANY BULLETS TAKEN FROM SENATOR KENNEDY'S BODY OR
OTHER VICTIMS. ALSO ADVISE IF EXAMINATION MADE OF "SPENT BULLETS"
FOUND IN SUBJECT'S CAR WITH THE MURDER WEAPON. IMMEDIATELY
CLARIFY IF BULLETS ARE ACTUALLY CARTRIDGE CASES.

IN ADDITION SUTEL WHETHER SIRHAN'S FINGERPRINTS FOUND
ON MURDER WEAPON.

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KENSALT

RE MURDER WEAPON

LOS ANGELES TELS OF JUNE SIX AND SEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, DO NOT SUFFICIENTLY PIN DOWN, FROM AN EVIDENTIARY STANDPOINT, HOW SIRHAN OBTAINED POSSESSION OF WEAPON. SUTEL DETAILS RELATIVE TO ERHARDT'S IDENTIFICATION OF MUNIR SIRHAN AS THE INDIVIDUAL TO WHOM HE SOLD GUN. ADVISE HOW MUNIR RECONCILES THE FACT HE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED. HAVE OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY BEEN INTERVIEWED RE MUNIR'S POSSESSION OF GUN? EXPEDITE.

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RELATEL JUNE SIX LAST SETTING FORTH RESULTS OF INTERVIEW
OF WALTER S. CROWE. LOS ANGELES WILL IMMEDIATELY EXHAUSTIVELY
REINTERVIEW CROWE SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING INFORMATION THAT HE
ATTEMPTED TO RECRUIT SIRHAN B. SIRHAN INTO CP AND ADVISED SIRHAN
AS TO HIS ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP CP. INTERVIEW SHOULD BE
AGGRESSIVE AND IMPLICATION CAN BE GIVEN THAT BUREAU IS IN
POSSESSION OF THIS INFORMATION FROM SUBJECT SIRHAN HIMSELF.
EXPEDITE AND SUTEL RESULTS.

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REBUPHONECALL TODAY CONCERNING PREPARATION OF
INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS IN THIS CASE.

IN ADDITION TO OTHER APPROPRIATE SUBHEADINGS, REPORTS
PREPARED IN THIS CASE SHOULD HAVE A SUBSECTION CAPTIONED
"ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS." ALL
INFORMATION DEVELOPED DURING YOUR INVESTIGATION CONCERNING
ANY SECURITY ASPECTS, SUCH AS COMMUNISM, MEMBERSHIP IN FRONT
GROUPS, MEMBERSHIP IN RACIAL, NATIONALISTIC OR EXTREMIST
ORGANIZATIONS, SHOULD BE SET FORTH UNDER ABOVE CAPTION. DO
NOT USE SUBHEADINGS FOR THESE SPECIFIC SUBJECT MATTERS. ALL
DATA SET FORTH IN THIS SUBSECTION SHOULD BE SO WORDED THAT
WHEN REPORTS ARE DISSEMINATED, OUR SOURCES OR INFORMANTS
WILL NOT BE DIVULGED.

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FROM: SAC, DETROIT (62-4177)

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RE LAS VEGAS TEL TO DETROIT AND LOS ANGELES AND KANSAS
CITY TEL TO LOS ANGELES, DETROIT, ST. LOUIS, JUNE FIVE, LAST.

DETROIT PD RECORDS FAIL TO SHOW ARREST OF EDDIE

A. SIRHAN BY ST. LOUIS PD AND SUBSEQUENT TURN-OVER TO DETROIT

PD IN MAY, NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT. RECORDS DO SHOW ARREST OF ADEL AID

SIRHAN, AKA. EDDIE SIRHAN NOV. NINE, NINETEEN FIFTY FOR "INVESTIGATION

OF MOLESTING A WOMAN." CASE DISMISSED NOV. TEN, NINETEEN

FIFTY. RESIDENCE SHOWN AS ONE TWO ONE ONE HUBBARD, DETROIT.

HE WAS ALSO ARRESTED JAN. ONE, LAST IN GAMBLING RAID BUT

RELEASED. NO PROSECUTION.

NO RECORD DETROIT PD REGARDING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, AKA.

INVESTIGATION DETROIT DISCLOSES SALIEM AND MARY

SIRHAN RESIDE ONE TWO ONE ONE HUBBARD, DETROIT. THEY HAVE

FOUR SONS SAMMIE, RESIDENCE PORTER; TEWFIC (TOM), RESIDENCE

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS, MICH.; SAM, RESIDENCE HAZEL PARK; AND SIRHAN, WIFE NELLIE, RESIDENCE GREEN, DETROIT. INVESTIGATION FAILS TO DISCLOSE THESE PERSONS ARE RELATED TO SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

ADEL (EDDIE) A. SIRHAN IS NEPHEW OF SALIEM AND MARY SIRHAN.

SIRHAN SIRHAN, WIFE NELLIE, RESIDES TWO FIVE ZERO ~~WALLED LAKE~~ FIVE GREEN, DETROIT, AND EMPLOYED EXCELLO CORPORATION, WALLED LAKE, MICH. WIFE NELLIE INTERVIEWED AND SAID SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, COMPLETELY UNFAMILIAR TO HER AND HER HUSBAND. SIRHAN SIRHAN WILL BE INTERVIEWED JUNE SEVEN, INSTANT AND COMPLETE FAMILY TREE OBTAINED. LOS ANGELES WILL BE ADVISED.

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ON SIX SIX SIXTYEIGHT REV. LESLEY CARNEY, TWO TWO THREE
MAGNOLIA DRIVE, LEVITTOWN, PA., PHONE NINE FOUR FIVE, THREE ONE
TWO FIVE, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO.

A MEMBER OF HIS CONGREGATION, MRS. ANNE REEVES, NINETEEN
PATRICIA LANE, TRENTON, N.J. PAREN HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, ~~END PAREN~~,
STATED TO HIM THAT HER NEIGHBOR, MRS. CATHERINE CATOOF, HAD BEEN
TO A NEW YORK HOSPITAL TO VISIT HER BROTHER, NAME UNKNOWN.

WHILE MRS. CATOOF WAS VISITING WITH HER BROTHER, HE HAD
ASKED HER IF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. WHEN SHE
REPLIED NO, HE THEN SAID THAT HE WILL BE BY THE FIFTY OF JUNE.

THE BROTHER HAD FLOWN TO NEW YORK FROM HAITI, HIS
NATIONALITY IS LEBANESE.

NEWARK AT TRENTON- WILL INTERVIEW MRS. ANNE REEVES AND MRS.
CATHERINE CATOOF.

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SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTERS, EXTREMIST GROUPS, OR
NATIONALIST ORGANIZATIONS-ALLEGED AFFILIATION WITH ORGANIZATION OF
ARAB STUDENTS (OAS).

REURTEL JUNE SIX LAST AT SEVEN FOUR ONE P.M.

INFORMATION APPEARING IN PRESS AND FURNISHED DURING
INTERVIEW OF WALTER S. CROW INDICATES SIRHAN WAS MEMBER OF
WHILE ATTENDING COLLEGE IN PASADENA. TODAY'S PRESS CARRIES
DENIAL BY OAS IN USA AND CANADA THAT SIRHAN WAS EVER A MEMBER
OF ORGANIZATION.

*Organization
FBI
OAS*

CHECK ALL LOGICAL SOURCES AND DURING YOUR INVESTIGATION
OF RELATIVES AND ACQUAINTANCES OF SIRHAN RESOLVE WHETHER OR
NOT HE WAS MEMBER OF OAS. IF THIS CANNOT BE RESOLVED THROUGH
ABOVE MEANS, CONTACT OAS OFFICIALS IN PASADENA. BEAR IN MIND

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WOMAN IN POLKA-DOT DRESS WITH LARGE NOSE AND MALE COMPANION WHO
ALLEGEDLY LEFT AMBASSADOR HOTEL FOLLOWING SHOOTING MAY BE MEMBERS
OF OAS OR SIMILAR ARAB GROUP. REFER TO YOUR FILE ONE ZERO FIVE
— ^{1 0 5}
^{4 0 4 3} DASH FOUR ZERO FOUR THREE REGARDING PRIOR INVESTIGATION OF OAS.
BUFILES REFLECT THAT IN NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE OAS HAD SEVERAL
CHAPTERS IN LOS ANGELES AREA WITH ONE APPARENTLY COVERING PASADENA
LISTED AS "YOUNG ARAB ORGANIZATION AT PASADENA," MR. MAJED GUSSOUS,
PRESIDENT, ONE TWO SEVEN ONE MORADA PLACE, ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA.

SUTEL RESULTS.

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RE MISS SANDRA SERRANO.

COMPLETE INTERVIEW WITH SERRANO TODAY WITHOUT FAIL.

COMPLETE ALL ASPECTS OF THIS IMPORTANT PHASE OF INVESTIGATION.

INSURE PARENTS INTERVIEWED RE ALLEGED TELEPHONE CALL MADE
TO THEM BY SERRANO. INITIATE IMMEDIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION
RE THIS WITNESS IN ORDER TO BETTER EVALUATE HER STORY. *Barry*

SUTEL RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH NEGRO WITNESS WHO
ALLEGEDLY APPEARED ON VANOCUR PROGRAM AND SUBSTANTIATED INFORMATION
FURNISHED BY SERRANO. EXPEDITE. *Sheets*

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FROM COLUMBIA (175-11)

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE JUNE SEVEN LAST.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF RICHMOND, PASSENGER ABOARD
DELTA FLIGHT EIGHT EIGHT FIVE, ATLANTA TO LOS ANGELES, JUNE
FOUR LAST, REPORTEDLY OVERHEARD WHITE FEMALE, FIVE FEET SIX
INCHES, DARK HAIR, SLENDER BUILD, LATE TWENTIES, COMMENT TO
ANOTHER WOMAN THAT SHE WAS GOING TO LOS ANGELES TO BE THERE
"WHEN THE BULLETS FLY ABOUT KENNEDY".

REVIEW OF DELTA COMPUTER RECORDS REVEAL THAT MISS CANDY ANNE
MCKAY, CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO FIVE FOUR - NINE FIVE FIVE
FIVE, COLUMBIA, S. C., AND MISS JANE VENDOLA, CONTACT TELEPHONE
NUMBER TWO FIVE FOUR - NINE FIVE FIVE FIVE, COLUMBIA, S. C.,
WERE ABOARD FLIGHT.

INVESTIGATION AT COLUMBIA REVEALS MISS JANE VENDOLA,
BORN AUGUST NINETEEN, FORTY NINE, RESIDES WADE HAMPTON
DORMITORY, ROOM TWO ZERO EIGHT, USC, COLUMBIA, S. C. HOME
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ADDRESS MAJOR LOUIS A. VENDOLA, SEVEN SEVEN TWO EIGHT
DONNY BROOK COURT, ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA. NO INFORMATION ON
MCKAY AVAILABLE.

RICHMOND, INTERVIEW PARENTS OF VENDOLA CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS
OF DAUGHTER. DETERMINE IF MCKAY KNOWN TO THEM.

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