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OBSERVE ANYONE ELSE RESEMBLING SIRHAN PHOTOS AT MEETING, AND COULD NOT RECALL ANYONE ELSE WHO ACTUALLY CONFRONTED AND ARGUED WITH UNKNOWN CUBAN.

ALI KHAN BOUCNAND INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE ACCOMPANIED ROOMMATE, REZA JALALIPOUR, AND ONE MOHAMMAD VAFAIE TO ABOVE MEETING FOR PURPOSE OF OBTAINING SPEAKERS FOR SOCIAL CLUB KNOWN AS "IRANIAN STUDENTS". THREE OTHER "IRANIAN STUDENTS" CLUB MEMBERS ALSO ATTENDED MEETING, ARRIVING BY SEPARATE TRANSPORTATION. BOUCHAND RECALLED THAT JALALIPOUR ENGAGED IN LOUD AND SOMETIMES HEATED ARGUMENT WITH (FNU) DUARTE, A CUBAN WHO SPOKE TOWARDS END OF MEETING. BOUCNAND DOES NOT RECALL COMMENTS MADE BY JALALIPOUR OR DUARTE, BUT NOTED ARGUMENT INVOLVED A FACE TO FACE CONFRONTATION. BOUCHAND VOLUNTEERED THAT JALALIPOUR SPEAKS WITH HEAVY FOREIGN ACCENT AND CLOSELY RESEMBLES NEWS MEDIA PHOTOSOF SIRHAN. BOUCNAND RECALLS THAT FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THESE PHOTOS, HE TOLD JALALIPOUR IN JEST, TO STAY INSIDE OR HE WOULD BE MISTAKEN FOR SIRHAN. BOUCNAND SHOWN ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF SIRHAN, AND ADVISED HE DID NOT OBSERVE ANYONE AT MEETING RESEMBLING THIS INDIVIDUAL.

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REZA JALALIPOUR INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE IS ALIEN BORN MARCH SIX THIRTY EIGHT, IN IRAN, FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE FORTY POUNDS, BROWN EYES, BLACK HAIR, DARK COMPLECTED, AND CURRENT SECOND YEAR STUDENT AT VALLEY JUNIOR COLLEGE, VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA. IT WAS NOTED JALALIPOUR SPOKE WITH FOREIGN ACCENT AND BEARS PHYSICAL RESEMBLANCE TO SIRHAN. JALALIPOUR ACKNOWLEDGED ATTENDANCE AT ABOVE MEETING WITH FIVE OTHER INDIVIDUALS OF IRANIAN EXTRACTION. **JALALIPOUR** FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGED ARGUING WITH UNKNOWN CUBAN INDIVIDUAL WHO SPOKE TOWARD END OF MEETING, AND, ALTHOUGH ARGUMENT BECAME QUITE LOUD, AT NO TIME DID ANY SCUFFLE TAKE PLACE. JALALIPOUR RECALLS CUBAN, AT ONE POINT, ASKED HIM WHERE HE WAS FROM, AND HE REPLIED EITHER THAT HE WAS A PERSIAN OR AN JALALIPOUR FURTHER RECALLS ASKING UNKNOWN CUBAN WHY ARAB. JALALIPOUR DOES NOT RECALL FURTHER STATEMENTS HE LEFT CUBA. TO CUBAN, BUT FEELS WERE CRITICAL OF THIS INDIVIDUAL. JALALIPOUR WAS SHOWN SIRHAN PHOTOS AND ADVISED HE DID NOT OBSERVE ANYONE AT MEETING RESEMBLING SAME.

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PROSECUTION OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

LOCAL NEWS MEDIA PARTICULARLY AN ARTICLE BY STAFF
WRITER J. ROBERT SMITH, PASADENA STAR NEWS, IN THES
NEWSPAPER ON JULY TWENTY THREE LAST CARRIED SPECULATED STORY
THAT SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN AS A RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT IN A
FALL FROM A HORSE MIGHT ENTER A PLEA OF INSANITY TO CHARGE OF
SHOOTING ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO THE BUREAU IN SUMMARY TELETYPE

OF JULY NINETEEN LAST, FURTHER HEARING ON THIS MATTER HAS

BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL AUGUST TWO NEXT, REPRESENTATIVES

OF BOTH SIRHAN'S ATTORNEY RUSSELL E. PARSONS AND THE

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAVE ADVISED News Media

THAT NO DECISION HAS BEEN REACHED AS TO WHAT PLEA SIRHAN

WILL MAKE IN THIS MATTER.

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PROSECUTION OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

SIRHAN APPEARED TODAY BEFORE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE RICHARD SCHAUER AND THROUGH HIS ATTORNEY, RUSSELL E.

PARSONS, ENTERED A PLEA OF NOT GUILTY TO THE CHARGES AGAINST
HIM OF MURDER AND ATTEMPTED MURDER IN CONNECTION WITH THE

SHOOTING OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS

AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL EARLY MORNING OF JUNE FIVE LAST.

ACSIGNMENT OF

TRIAL DATE SET BY JUDGE FOR NOVEMBER ONE NEXT.

HANDLE TRIAL SCHEDULED FOR ASSIGNMENT OCTOBER FOUR NEXT.

FAMILY MEMBERS PRESENT AT HEARING INCLUDED MOTHER AND BROTHERS

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ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO VACATE OR MODIFY THE COURT ORDER OF
THE JUDGE LIMITING DISCUSSION OF THE CASE WAS DENIED BY THE
COURT. AT THIS HEARING, ABRAHAM L. WIKIN, COUNSEL OF THE
AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, LOS ANGELES, SUBMITTED
WRITTEN MOTION TO MODIFY THE ORDER CONCERNING PUBLICITY
ON THIS MATTER. DETAILS OF THIS MODIFICATION WILL BE
DETERMINED BY THIS OFFICE.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON AUGUST ONE LAST EXPLOITATION PASSED A BILL DESIGNED TO FORBID EXPLOITATION OF MEAN THAN MARINAL THREE HUNDRED PICTURES TAKEN OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY'S BODY AFTER HIS ASSASSINATION. THE LIMITATION OF THE USE OF THE PICTURES WAS A RIDER TO A PREVIOUSLY EXISTING BILL CONCERNING THE USE IN COURT OF EVIDENCE OBTAINED BY ELECTRONIC EAVESDROPPING. THIS RIDER WOULD REQUIRE A JUDGES ORDER BEFORE ANYONE COULD OBTAIN COPIES OF THE KENNEDY PICTURES.

THE RIDER WAS REQUESTED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY, EVELLE J. YOUNGER, WHO MAY USE SOME OF THE PICTURES IN THE TRIAL OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.