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SARA CLAPP, Traffic Manager, KRKD Radio Station, 1050 Montecito Drive, Los Angeles, California, made available a copy of a tape recording made by ANDREW WEST, News Director, KRKD Radio Station, in the early morning of June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel Los Angeles, California, which contained the following information:

KENNEDY: "Mayor YORTY has just sent me a message that we have been here too long already. (Screaming) So, my thanks to all of you and now onto Chicago and let's win there. (Screaming and yelling, We Want BOBBY over and over again).

REPORTER: "Senator, how are you going to counter Mr. HUMPHREY and his backgrounding you as far as the delegates votes go?

KENNEDY: "It just goes that you have to struggle for it.

REPORTER: "Senator KENNEDY has been shot! Senator KENNEDY has been shot, is that possible? Is that possible! Is it possible, ladies and gentlemen...it is possible he has...not only Senator KENNEDY, oh my God, Senator KENNEDY has been shot and another man, a KENNEDY campaign manager and possibly shot in the head. I am right here...RAFER JOHNSON has a hold of the man who apparently has fired the shot, he has fired the shot...he still has the gun...the gun is pointed at me right at this moment! I hope they can get the gun out of his hand. Be very careful...get the gun...get the gun, get the gun, stay away from the gun, (person in background says get the gun)...stay away from the gun (people are yelling..loud)...his hand is frozen, get his thumb, get his thumb, get his thumb. (Man cried out get his head). Take a hold of his thumb and break it if you have to...get his thumb (yelling in background). Get away from the barrel, get away from the barrel, man. (People cried out watch

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the gun, watch the gun). Look out for the gun, okay. All right that's it RAFTER get it, get the gun RAFTER (yelling loud get the gun). Okay, now hold on to the guy, hold on to him, hold on to him. Ladies and gentlemen they have the gun away from the man, they got the gun...I can't see the man, I can't see who it is. Senator KENNEDY right now is on the ground, he has been shot. This is a...this is... What is he? Wait a minute, hold him, hold him, hold him. We don't want another OSWALD, hold him RAFTER. We don't want another OSWALD. (You can hear police whistles in the background). Hold him RAFTER keep people away from him, keep people away from him. All right ladies and gentlemen this is now... Make room, make room, make room, make room, make room. The Senator is on the ground he is bleeding profusely, from apparently...clear back. Apparently the Senator has been shot...from the, in the frontal area we can't see exactly where the, where the Senator has been shot; but, push back...come on... grab a hold of me, grab a hold of me and let's pull back, that's it come on get a hold of my arms and let's pull back, let's pull back. All right the Senator is now the...the ambulance has been called for and the... ambulance has... Bring the ambulance in this entrance. This is a terrible thing, its reminiscent of the Valley the other day when the Senator was out there and somebody hit him in the head with a rock and people couldn't believe it at that time. But it is a fact. Keep room, ETHEL KENNEDY is standing by, she is calm, she is raising her hand high to motion people back she's attempting to get calm. A woman with a tremendous amount of presence, a tremendous amount of presence it's impossible to believe. It's impossible to believe this. There is a certain amount of fanaticism here now, as this has occurred. They are trying to run everybody back. Clear the area, clear the area. Right at this moment... the Senator apparently, we can't see if he's still

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conscious or not. Can you see if he is conscious? Can you see if he is conscious? (someone answered, I know he is half conscious). He is half conscious... and ladies, we can't see ladies and gentlemen. (yelling) One of the men, a KENNEDY, apparently a KENNEDY supporter is going first...come on, come on, out, out, out... Is there some way to close these doors JESS? (No). Is there any doors here? (No). (yelling people saying out, out, out, get out). Out, out through the exit, let's go. Out we go...unbelievable situation. They're clearing the halls, one man has blood on himself. We're walking down the corridors here. Repetition in my speech, I have no alternative. The shock is so great...my mouth is dry. I can only say that here in the kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel, the back entrance; from the podium in the press room the Senator walked out the back, I was directly behind him. You heard a balloon go off, and a shot, you didn't really realize that the shot was a shot and yet a scream went up, two men were on the ground both bleeding profusely. One of them was Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. At this moment we are stunned, we are shaking, as is everyone else, in this kitchen corridor at the Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles. They are blocking off the entrance now...supposedly to make room for the ambulance. That's all we can report at this moment. I do not know if the Senator is dead or if he is alive. We do not know the name of the other gentlemen concerned. This is ANDREW WEST Mutual News, Los Angeles."

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ANDREW WEST, News Director, KRKD Radio Station, 1050 Montecito Drive, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment relative to his knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Prior to interviewing ANDREW WEST relative to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he advised that his true name is GEORGE WILLIAM WEST, and he stated that he uses the names ANDREW WEST or ANDY WEST as professional names in connection with his employment. ANDREW WEST stated that he resides at 2630 Cahuenga Boulevard, Apartment Number 30, Hollywood, California, and he stated his landlady's telephone number is 464-1888. ANDREW WEST stated that the telephone numbers at his place of employment are 225-4116 and 225-7951.

ANDREW WEST stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, he was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. ANDREW WEST stated that after 9:15 p.m. on June 4, 1968, most of his time was spent next to the podium of the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was to make a speech. ANDREW WEST stated that he was on the stage until Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY arrived, made his speech, and left the stage. ANDREW WEST stated that excerpts from Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech were tape recorded by him. ANDREW WEST stated that before Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech he tape recorded some comments of California Speaker of the Assembly JESSE UNRUH, and also asked Speaker of the Assembly JESSE UNRUH a couple of questions. ANDREW WEST stated that he then excerpted comments from Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech and at the end of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech asked him a question. ANDREW WEST stated that following the question, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and his wife, ETHEL KENNEDY, immediately left the stage and went to the area behind the stage. ANDREW WEST stated that this was approximately 12:00 midnight to approximately 12:30 a.m. on June 5, 1968. ANDREW WEST stated that after he had asked Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY a question he turned off his tape recorder.

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ANDREW WEST stated that after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and his wife, ETHEL KENNEDY, left the stage he followed them to ask additional questions, but Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was out of his sight for a short time after he left the stage. ANDREW WEST stated that after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY left the stage, he proceeded to a small anteroom and hallway behind the stage of the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, and at this time he was trotting to catch up with Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. ANDREW WEST stated that as he reached the hallway behind the stage and turned right, he saw Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, his wife ETHEL KENNEDY, and a number of campaign supporters and news media people immediately in front of him. ANDREW WEST stated that he started through the group of people in the direction of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. ANDREW WEST stated as he approached Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY he heard noises which sounded like gun shots, and at that time he instinctively turned on his tape recorder. ANDREW WEST stated that at the time he did not know, for a fact, that the sounds were gun shots, because people had been exploding ballons and the sounds were similar. However, on this occasion, he did notice that the sounds he had heard did not sound the same as the ballons he had previously heard exploding. ANDREW WEST stated he also believes he heard a woman scream at this time. ANDREW WEST stated that at this time he was approximately four or five feet away from Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and was directly in front of him with a number of people between himself and Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. ANDREW WEST stated he then heard a woman scream "KENNEDY has been shot" or "The Senator has been shot", or words to that effect, and he then saw a man lying on the floor. ANDREW WEST stated he was very close to this man and as he looked over him he saw that it was not Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, but the man did look familiar. ANDREW WEST stated that he then noticed a second man lying on the floor a short distance away, and he went to the area of the second man who was lying on the floor and saw it was Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and he observed

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blood oozing from the back of his head. ANDREW WEST stated that after he saw it was Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on the floor, he immediately realized that someone was in the area with a gun, and he started looking for him. ANDREW WEST stated that he then noticed two men grappling with a third man within approximately six or eight feet of where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was lying on the floor. ANDREW WEST stated that he had seen these men grappling almost immediately after he had first identified Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY as one of the two men lying wounded on the floor. ANDREW WEST stated that in connection with his observation of the men grappling, he saw a hand with a pistol in it, and he saw another hand, which was wrapped around the hand holding the pistol. ANDREW WEST stated that he then went in the direction of the pistol and he saw ROOSEVELT GRITER holding a man, and he then noticed that the gun was pointing at him. ANDREW WEST stated that he then pulled away and also told people in the general area to get away from the gun. ANDREW WEST stated that at about the same time he recognized a person he believed to be RAFAEL JOHNSON holding on to the hand holding the gun. ANDREW WEST stated that he then saw that the pistol had been taken away from the man holding it, and when he saw that the gun was broken away from the hand holding it, he turned his direction elsewhere and left the room. ANDREW WEST stated that at that time he was satisfied that help was on its way for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and that the assailant had been arrested. ANDREW WEST stated that he was unable to describe the assailant or furnish any descriptive data relative to him. ANDREW WEST stated that the reason he was unable to describe the assailant was because he had concentrated his entire attention on the pistol and the activity relative to taking the pistol away from whomever was holding it. ANDREW WEST stated that he noticed only one man, although he had looked for additional people who could be with the assailant, and he had only seen this one man holding the pistol.

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ANDREW WEST stated that he had seen SIRHAN SIRHAN's photograph in the newspapers and he was unable to identify the individual in the photographs as the individual he had seen with the gun on June 5, 1968. ANDREW WEST was shown a Los Angeles Police Department photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Booking Number [REDACTED], and he stated he was unable to identify the individual in the photograph as the individual he had seen with the gun on June 5, 1968. ANDREW WEST stated; however, that he could not say that SIRHAN SIRHAN was not the assailant, and the only reason he did not take a closer look at the individual was because he had concentrated his attention on the pistol.

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On June 6, 1968, Mr. HUMPHREY CORDERO, 912 South Maple Avenue, Los Angeles, California, voluntarily returned to the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation accompanied by ENRIQUE RABAGO, 6652 Naomi Street, Buena Park, California, and furnished the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agent PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. and Special Agent THOMAS J. BEVANS who identified themselves to him as Special Agents of the FBI.

"Los Angeles, California
June 6, 1968

"I, HUMPHREY OTTO CORDERO, make the following free and voluntary statement to PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. and THOMAS J. BEVANS who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the FBI.

"I was born in New York City, New York, [REDACTED] and have attended three years of high school at Dewitt Clinton High School, New York, New York. I am able to read and write English fluently.

"On the evening of June 4, 1968, I travelled with my friend, ENRIQUE RABAGO, in his panel truck to the vicinity of the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard. We went to the Ambassador to observe the activities there in connection with the election returns concerning ROBERT KENNEDY. We arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 9:00 - 9:30 p.m. after parking some two blocks away. We entered the front entrance to the KENNEDY campaign headquarters

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"and after approximately ten minutes I became separated from my friend, ENRIQUE RABAGO, because of the large number of people in the crowd. I looked for ENRIQUE for about five minutes at which time I walked to the porch area at the front entrance where I saw ENRIQUE talking to another individual who was sipping a drink. I walked up to ENRIQUE and asked him where he had been. He told me had become separated by the crowd and had walked to the front door to see if he could find me.

"I told ENRIQUE to come with me and we would go back into the lobby, but he objected saying that he was not properly dressed to return inside in that he was only wearing casual clothes. I told him 'Look at the guy standing next to you, he's dressed in the same manner that we are.' At this time this individual said words to the effect that 'why shouldn't we go in there, we're putting them in office.' He also said 'I just came from the RAFFERTY campaign center and lounge. As I walked in the hostess looked down at me because they were dressed like millionaires and I was dressed like this. I took out a \$20.00 bill, bought a drink (indicating the one in his hand) and left her the change.' At this point he said 'Then she was all smiles. It goes to show you, it's not how you look, it's what you got.' He appeared to me to be very aggravated by the fact that he was looked down upon by these 'rich people' and he said that these 'rich people looked at me as if I was dirt.' He implied that although everyone in there looked to be a millionaire, he had 'showed them' by his actions involving the \$20.00 bill.

"I got the impression during my conversation with this man that he was discontented and especially disgruntled with 'rich people', particularly involving the incident at the RAFFERTY lounge.

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"My conversation with this man lasted only a few minutes and the conversation ended when ENRIQUE RABAGO and I followed by this man returned into the lobby of the 'Ambassador to watch' the election results on the television monitor. I, at no time, observed this man speaking to anyone but myself and RABAGO. After parting with this individual I did not see him again during the evening. RABAGO and I stayed at the Ambassador Hotel until approximately 10:15 - 10:30 p.m. at which time we left for our homes in RABAGO's panel truck.

"The first that I had heard of the attack upon ROBERT KENNEDY was later that evening on the radio. The following day, June 5, 1968, ENRIQUE RABAGO met me in downtown Los Angeles and told me that he believed the individual we had talked to on the previous evening was the man accused of shooting Senator KENNEDY. We waited until the late edition of the 'Herald Examiner' came out at which time I looked at the photograph of the man on the front page who was accused of shooting Senator KENNEDY and I positively recognized him as being the man that I had spoken to on the previous evening at the Ambassador Hotel.

"Immediately after viewing this paper RABAGO and I drove to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI where we were interviewed by Special Agent PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR.

"On June 6, 1968, Special Agent CHAMBERLAIN showed me the photographs of six male caucasians and from these photographs I positively identified one man as being identical with the individual I had seen at the Ambassador Hotel on the night Senator KENNEDY was shot.

"To the best of my memory I would describe this individual, that I saw at the Ambassador Hotel as follows:

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The following is a description obtained through observation and interview of HUMPHREY OTTO CORDERO:

Residence	912 South Maple Street Apartment 11 Los Angeles, California telephone 688-9545
Occupation	Mechinist - unemployed
Sex	Male
Race	White - Puerto Rican extraction
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	New York, New York
Height	5'10"
Weight	155 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Marital Status	Single
Admitted Arrests	Admits several drunk arrests

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ANDREW WEST, News Director, Radio Station KRKD, 1050 Montecito Drive, Los Angeles, California, made available to Detectives SAM COLELLA and LOUIS ROSARIO, Narcotics Detail, Highland Park Division, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles, California, the original tape recording made by ANDREW WEST on the evening of June 4, 1968, and early morning of June 5, 1968. ANDREW WEST marked both the tape recording and the tape spool with marks so that he would be able to identify them in the future.

ANDREW WEST indicated that the tape recording contained a number of questions he had asked JESSE UNRUH, California Speaker of the Assembly, on the evening of June 4, 1968, and also contained excerpts from Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech on the evening of June 4, 1968, and a question he had asked Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY following his speech. ANDREW WEST stated that immediately following a question he had asked Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, the tape recording contained voices and sounds relative to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

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On June 5, 1968, Mr. HUMPHREY OTTO CORDERO, 912 South Maple Avenue, Los Angeles, California, accompanied by ENRIQUE RABAGO, 6652 Naomi Street, Buena Park, California, voluntarily appeared at the Los Angeles Office of the FBI to furnish information they believed pertinent to the assault of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968.

On June 5, 1968, Mr. CORDERO and Mr. RABAGO were interviewed together by SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. who identified himself to them as a Special Agent of the FBI.

Mr. CORDERO advised that on the evening of June 4, 1968, he traveled with his friend, ENRIQUE RABAGO in his, RABAGO's, panel truck to the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard. He stated that they went to the Ambassador to observe the activities in connection with the campaign activities of ROBERT KENNEDY. He advised that they arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 9 - 9:30 PM, after parking some two blocks away.

CORDERO advised that he and RABAGO entered the front entrance of the Ambassador Hotel into the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters, after a small delay, due to the reluctance on the part of his friend, RABAGO, to enter the room due to the casual nature of his clothes. CORDERO advised that after approximately ten minutes he became separated from his friend, RABAGO, due to the nature and size of the crowd.

CORDERO advised that after looking for RABAGO for approximately five minutes, he walked to the porch area at the front entrance of the hotel where he saw RABAGO speaking to another individual who was sipping from a drink. He advised that he walked up to RABAGO and asked him where he had been. CORDERO advised that after a short conversation with RABAGO's, he told him, RABAGO, to return to the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel. CORDERO stated that RABAGO objected saying that he was not dressed properly to which he, CORDERO,

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replied, "Look at the guy standing next to you, he's dressed in the same manner that we are." CORDERO disclosed that the individual he had used as an example replied to him, "Why shouldn't we go in there, we're putting them in office. I just came from the RAFFERTY Campaign Center and Lounge. As I walked in the hostess looked down at me because they were dressed like millionaires and I was dressed like this. I took out a \$20 bill, bought a drink and left her the change. Then she was all smiles. It goes to show you that its not how you look, its what you got." CORDERO stated that this individual, appeared to be extremely aggravated by the fact that he was looked down upon by rich people and CORDERO advised that he said to him that these "Rich people looked at me as if I was dirt". CORDERO stated that this individual told him that he had "showed them", indicating the rich people, by his actions involving the \$20 bill.

CORDERO advised that he definitely received the impression from his conversation with this individual that he was particularly discontented and disgruntled with "rich people", particularly because of the incident occurring at the RAFFERTY Lounge.

CORDERO stated that his conversation with this individual lasted only a few minutes and terminated when ENRIQUE RABAGO walked away from the group and was followed closely by himself, CORDERO.

CORDERO advised that at no time did he observe this individual speak to anyone but himself or RABAGO. He stated also that he has never seen this man before and after the termination of his conversation with him on the night of June 4, 1968, never saw him again during that evening.

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CORDERO advised that he and RABAGO remained at the Ambassador Hotel until approximately 10:15 or 10:30 PM, at which time they left for their homes in RABAGO's panel truck.

CORDERO stated that the first he heard of the attack upon Senator KENNEDY was late in that same evening on the radio. He advised that the following day, June 5, 1968, he met ENRIQUE RABAGO in downtown Los Angeles, at which time RABAGO told him that he had seen the picture of the individual accused of shooting Senator KENNEDY and was positive that this was the same man that they had conversed with on the previous evening to the Ambassador Hotel.

CORDERO advised that he and RABAGO waited until the late edition of the Herald Examiner came on the stands at which time he, CORDERO, purchased the paper and immediately recognized the photograph of the individual appearing on the front page, who was accused of shooting Senator KENNEDY, as being the same man he had spoken to on the previous evening at the Ambassador Hotel. CORDERO stated positively that the man he had spoken to at the Ambassador Hotel was identical with the individual, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, whose name and photograph appeared in various Los Angeles newspapers.

CORDERO advised that he and RABAGO immediately traveled to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI where they were interviewed by SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR.

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Mr. RABAGO and Mr. CORDERO requested that they be interviewed together and this interview was conducted by PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR., who identified himself to them as a Special Agent of the FBI.

Mr. ENRIQUE RABAGO advised that on the Fourth of June 1968, he traveled to the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, accompanied by his friend, HUMPHREY CORDERO, to observe activities at the KENNEDY Election Headquarters. RABAGO stated that he and CORDERO arrived at the Ambassador Hotel in his, RABAGO's, panel truck at some time between the hours of 9 and 9:30 PM. Mr. RABAGO advised that he parked his panel truck several blocks from the Ambassador Hotel in that no closer parking spaces were available and he and CORDERO then proceeded to the front door of the Ambassador Hotel.

RABAGO advised that he and CORDERO were both dressed in casual clothing and because of this he hesitated to enter the main lobby of the hotel. He stated, however, that he and CORDERO did enter at CORDERO's urging, but became separated due to the large crowd approximately ten minutes after their arrival.

RABAGO stated that since he could not locate CORDERO, he returned to the porch area at the main entrance to the hotel where he hoped to locate him. RABAGO advised that upon arriving at the front porch, he noticed a great many people standing and talking about the election and RABAGO disclosed that he entered into a general conversation with a number of people standing there. Mr. RABAGO advised that it was at this time

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that he first observed an individual whom he later recognized to be identical with the individual whose picture appeared on the front page of the Los Angeles Herald Examiner on June 5, 1968. RABAGO advised that the local newspapers identified the individual in question as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. RABAGO advised that this individual was standing on the porch alone sipping from a drink and he stated that at this time he engaged this man in conversation concerning the election. RABAGO advised that he said to the individual, whom he later learned to be named SIRHAN, "Are we going to win?", and to this SIRHAN replied, "I think we're going to win." RABAGO said that he replied to SIRHAN, "I don't know, MC CARTHY is ahead now", to which SIRHAN replied, "Don't worry about him if he doesn't win, the son of a bitch, he is a millionaire and he doesn't need to win. He just wants to go to the White House but even if he wins he's not going to do anything for you or for me or for any of the poor people." RABAGO advised that this man continued talking to him and told him that "KENNEDY did not care about any poor people and merely sought to gain the Presidency for personal reasons." RABAGO advised also that this individual was apparently becoming very disgusted with Mr. KENNEDY and told him that "KENNEDY was going to buy the Presidency."

RABAGO stated at this point in the conversation, he was about to leave in disgust when his friend HUMPHREY CORDERO located him on the front porch. RABAGO stated CORDERO asked him where he had been and after explaining, CORDERO said to him, "Let's go back into the lobby". RABAGO stated that he replied to CORDERO in the negative in that his clothes were not adequate to which CORDERO replied, by turning to the individual, whom he later learned to be identical to SIRHAN and saying, "Look at my friend, he doesn't want to go in because of his clothing. What do you think of that?" RABAGO

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advised that to this comment the individual in question, replied, "We're voters. I can go in there like this. I just returned from the RAFFERTY Headquarters." RABAGO stated that SIRHAN then proceeded to relate an incident to HUMPHREY CORDERO that had occurred to him inside the RAFFERTY Campaign room. RABAGO disclosed that SIRHAN told CORDERO that he had gone in to order a drink and that the people in there had stared at him and obviously disliked him because of his clothing. RABAGO advised that he continued by telling CORDERO that the "big wheels" stared at him while he ordered a drink from the hostess and that he "showed them" by paying for his drink with a \$20 bill and leaving the change for the hostess. RABAGO stated further that SIRHAN told HUMPHREY that "It's the money you have got that counts, not the way you look".

RABAGO stated that at this point in the conversation, he walked towards the television monitor and that this was the last time in the evening that he saw this individual whom he later learned to be identical with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

RABAGO advised again that the individual in question was positively alone when he observed him and at no time did he ever see this man speaking with anyone but himself or HUMPHREY CORDERO.

RABAGO stated that from his conversation with this man he definitely obtained the impression that he, SIRHAN, did not like Mr. KENNEDY personally due to the fact that he was a millionaire.

RABAGO stated that he had never seen the individual, identified as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, before and that the length of his conversation with him was approximately five minutes long.

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RABAGO advised that he and CORDERO stayed at the campaign headquarters watching the election results until approximately 10:15 to 10:30 PM, at which time they left for their homes in his panel truck.

RABAGO advised that later that evening, possibly in the early hours of the following morning, he heard the news of the shooting of ROBERT KENNEDY on his radio. He stated, however, that it was not until the following day that he first saw a television picture of the man accused of shooting Mr. KENNEDY. RABAGO advised that he positively recognized this individual to be the same as the man he had spoken to at the Ambassador Hotel on the previous evening, June 4, 1968. RABAGO advised further that on the afternoon of June 5, 1968, he again saw this individual's picture on the front page of the Los Angeles Herald Examiner in which he was identified as the accused assaulter of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He disclosed that he saw this picture in the Herald Examiner when HUMPHREY CORDERO purchased the afternoon paper and brought it to him.

RABAGO advised that immediately after seeing this picture he and his friend, HUMPHREY CORDERO, drove to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI where they arrived shortly after 5 o'clock and were interviewed by SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR.

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On June 6, 1968, Mr. ENRIQUE RABAGO, 6652 Naomi Street, Buena Park, California, voluntarily returned to the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation accompanied by HUMPHREY CORDERO, 912 South Maple Avenue, Los Angeles, and furnished the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agent PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. and Special Agent THOMAS J. BEVANS who identified themselves to him as Special Agents of the FBI.

"Los Angeles, California
June 6, 1968

"I, ENRIQUE RABAGO, make the following free and voluntary statement to PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. and THOMAS J. BEVANS, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the FBI.

"I am an American citizen born in San Antonio, Texas, [REDACTED] and have attended two years of high school in Mexico. I can read and write in the English language.

"On June 4, 1968, I travelled to the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles to observe the activities at the KENNEDY election headquarters. I was accompanied on this trip by my friend, HUMPHREY OTTO CORDERO. We arrived in the vicinity of the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 9:00 - 9:30 p.m., June 4, 1968, parked several blocks from the hotel and walked to the main entrance to the KENNEDY headquarters.

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by SA THOMAS J. BEVANS and
SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN JR/PC/nmb/sdb Date dictated 6/7/68

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"I did not feel like going in to the building in that I was not dressed in a suit, but was wearing casual clothing, however, my friend, HUMPHREY CORDERO, urged me to go in with him. We entered the main lobby of the hotel and after approximately ten minutes I became separated from CORDERO due to the large number of people standing around.

"I could not see HUMPHREY CORDERO and I, therefore walked to the porch area at the front of the main entrance on Seventh Street hoping that he would find me there. Upon arriving on the front porch, I noticed a great many people standing there talking. I started talking to several of these people in a general conversation concerning the election returns and it was at this time that I first observed an individual whom I later learned to be identical with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN from pictures in the 'Los Angeles Herald Examiner' as well as local television programs. This individual was standing on the porch alone sipping from a drink and I engaged him in conversation concerning the election. I said to him 'Are we going to win?' and he answered 'I think we are going to win.' At this time I said to him 'I don't know MC CARTHY is ahead now' and he replied 'Don't worry about him if he doesn't win, the son of a bitch, he's a millionaire and he doesn't need to win. He just wants to go to the White House, but even if he wins he's not going to do anything for you or for me or for any of the poor people.' This man continued talking to me and he told me that 'KENNEDY did not care about any poor people and merely sought to gain the Presidency for personal reasons'. I feel that this man was becoming very disgusted with Mr. KENNEDY and at this time told me that 'KENNEDY was going to buy the Presidency'.

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"At this point I became disgusted with this individual's opinions and was about to walk away when my friend, HUMPHREY CORDERO, arrived. HUMPHREY CORDERO asked me where I had been and I told him I had become lost in the crowd and had come to the porch to wait for him. HUMPHREY said to me 'Let's go back into the lobby' and I told him that I did not want to return because my clothes were not good enough. At this point HUMPHREY turned to the man I later recognized from the 'Los Angeles Herald Examiner' to be the man accused of assaulting ROBERT KENNEDY and beckoned to me saying 'Look at my friend, he doesn't want to go in because of his clothing. What do you think of that?' To this comment the man in question replied 'We're voters. We can go in there like this. I just returned from the RAFFERTY headquarters.' At this time he told HUMPHREY CORDERO about an incident that occurred to him inside the RAFFERTY campaign room. He told HUMPHREY that he had gone in to order a drink and that the people in there stared at him and obviously did not like him because of his clothing. He also told HUMPHREY that these 'big wheels' watched him as he ordered a drink from the hostess and he continued by telling CORDERO that he 'showed them' by paying for his drink with a \$20.00 bill and leaving the change for the hostess. He told HUMPHREY, at this point, that 'it is the money you have got that counts, not the way you look.' I cannot positively quote the above conversation between CORDERO and this man because at the same time I was watching a television monitor concerning the election results.

"At this point I walked into the main lobby to be closer to the television set and this was the last time I saw the man in question. This individual was

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"positively alone when I saw him and at no time did I see him talking with anyone but HUMPHREY CORDERO or myself. I definitely got the impression from talking with this man that he did not like Mr. KENNEDY personally because of the fact that he was a millionaire.

"The entire length of my conversation with this man was approximately five minutes.

"HUMPHREY CORDERO and I stayed at the campaign headquarters until approximately 10:15 or 10:30 p.m. at which time we left going in my panel truck to our homes.

"Later that evening I first heard of the shooting of ROBERT KENNEDY on the radio, but it was not until the next day that I first saw a television picture of the man who is accused of shooting Mr. KENNEDY. I recognized this man to be the same as the man I had spoken to at the Ambassador Hotel on the previous evening. Later this same day, June 5, 1968, I again saw this man's picture on the front page of the 'Los Angeles Herald Examiner' identified as the individual accused of assaulting ROBERT KENNEDY. I first saw this paper when HUMPHREY CORDERO purchased it and brought it to my truck. Immediately after seeing this picture and discussing the situation, HUMPHREY CORDERO and I drove to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI, arriving at approximately 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. where we were interviewed by Special Agent PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR.

"Special Agent CHAMBERLAIN has shown me photographs of six male Caucasians and from these pictures I picked the photograph of an individual whom I am certain was the individual that I had talked to on the night of June 4, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel.

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"To the best of my memory the man I talked with at the Ambassador Hotel can be described as:

"Male
Caucasian
Height - between 5'4" - 5'5"
Weight - 120 - 130 lbs.
Complexion - dark
Hair - dark, very kinky
Age - early 20s
Characteristics - appeared to be of Mexican origin;
appeared to be educated,
but arrogant

"I have read the above statement consisting of this page and five others and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have initialled all corrections.

"/s/ ENRIQUE RABAGO
6652 Naomi St.
Buena Park, Calif

"Witness:

/s/ SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR., FBI, LA, 6/6/68
/s/ SA THOMAS J. BEVANS, FBI, Los Angeles, 6/6/68."

After furnishing the above signed statement, RABAGO added further that in his opinion the individual he identified from photographs as being identical with the man he had conversation with on the evening of June 4, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel was there alone. RABAGO stated he based this only on an impression.

On June 6, 1968, Mr. RABAGO picked the photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN from among photographs of six individuals which were exhibited to him by SA PAUL CHAMBERLAIN, JR. as being

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the individual he had observed and spoken to at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 9:30 PM, on the evening of June 4, 1968.

The following is a description obtained through observation and interview of ENRIQUE RABAGO:

Residence	6652 Naomi Buena Park, California (no telephone)
Occupation	Auto mechanic - unemployed
Marital status	Married
Wife	INDOLECIA, employed as sewing machine operator C. Martini Company 308 East Ninth Street Los Angeles, California
Sex	Male
Race	White - Mexican extraction
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	San Antonio, Texas
Height	5'8"
Weight	165 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Military Service	United States Navy 1944
Admitted Arrests	Arrested on suspicion of theft El Paso, Texas, date unknown, disposition - released; arrested Los Angeles, California 1966 - 1967 as being an illegal alien, disposition - released

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SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was interviewed at his residence at 1659 North Lake Street, Apartment Number 7, Pasadena, California, telephone number 797-8381, in the presence of Inspector PAUL H. LINDSEY, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, California.

Prior to the interview of SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was furnished a Waiver of Rights form, which he read, indicated he understood, but declined to sign the form. At the onset of the interview SAIDALLAH SIRHAN refused to answer any questions asked by Special Agent MYRON M. HITCH without a lawyer being present. However, SAIDALLAH SIRHAN indicated he would answer questions furnished to him by Inspector PAUL H. LINDSEY of Immigration and Naturalization Service.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his father is BISHARA SIRHAN, who is presently residing in Israel. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his sister AYDA SIRHAN, whose married name was MANEL (phonetic) or MANELA (phonetic), is deceased and her body is buried in one of the Forest Lawn Cemeteries in the Los Angeles area. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SHARIEF SIRHAN, resides in the Los Angeles area, but he did not have the exact address.

At this point in the interview SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was advised by Inspector PAUL H. LINDSEY that his scheduled appearance on June 7, 1968, for his final United States citizenship papers had been postponed, and a date would be set in the future for another appearance.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN then advised that he would reconsider his decision not to answer any questions furnished to him by Special Agent MYRON M. HITCH. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was again furnished the Waiver of Rights form and he read the form, indicating he understood, and would answer questions, but declined to sign the form.

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SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he had last heard from his father approximately one month ago in a letter from Israel. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his father, BISHARA SIRHAN, had gone to Israel a number of years ago, but he could not recall exactly when and did not desire to answer a question unless he could furnish the specific answer. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his mother is MARY SIRHAN and she resides at 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, with his brothers, SIRHAN SIRHAN, MUNIR SIRHAN, and ADEL SIRHAN. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN also stated that he has another brother SHARIEF SIRHAN, who lives in the Los Angeles area, but he does not know exactly where, and he can not recall when he last saw his brother, SHARIEF SIRHAN.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was then asked specifically about SIRHAN SIRHAN, and he stated he last saw him approximately one month ago at his mother's house on Howard Street in Pasadena, California. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, had never mentioned to him any political activity he was involved in, and had never mentioned Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY to him. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he considers his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, to be an "intellectual person" with a good education, and a young man who is of "good morals." SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, was educated in American schools in the Pasadena area, and attended Pasadena City College, and he believed John Muir High School, also in Pasadena. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not have a police record and had never been involved in any violence, and had never mentioned any violence toward anyone. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he does not believe his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, was capable of shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and he does not believe, in fact, that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN was shown photographs taken of SIRHAN SIRHAN immediately after he was taken into custody at the Ambassador Hotel, and he was also shown Los Angeles Police Department photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Booking Number [REDACTED], and after viewing the photographs, he stated that the photographs resembled his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, but he could not say for sure the individual in the photographs was, in fact, his brother..

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN repeated that he could not believe that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, could have shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and he repeated that he was not convinced that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN had, in fact, shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he had never heard his brother express any opinions which would indicate he had any hatred toward Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY or any other political figure. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN also stated that to his knowledge his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not own a gun and had never owned a gun. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated also that he does not know if his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, uses drugs or narcotics.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his mother had mentioned to him in the past that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, had fallen while exercising a horse, and his mother had told him that SIRHAN SIRHAN did not feel "quite right" after that accident. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he understood his mother to mean that she was referring to SIRHAN SIRHAN's mental condition. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he did not remember how long ago this accident occurred, and stated it could have been months ago or even years ago.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, came to the United States in 1957 with his mother; sister, AYDA, since deceased; and his brothers, ADEL and MUNIR. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that when they first came to the United States, his brother resided with his mother at 1647 North Lake Street, Pasadena, California, and then they moved to a house at 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated he does not remember how long his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, and family resided at each of the above two addresses. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he came to the United States on June 27, 1950, and when he first came to the United States he resided at 1647 North Lake Street in Pasadena, California. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he is the eldest brother in the SIRHAN family, and has more or less, maintained

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a father image in the family, and did not associate closely with his younger brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN. SIRHAN SIRHAN stated that this has been particularly true in the past few years. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN also stated that he does not know any of his brother's, SIRHAN SIRHAN, associates.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that the first information he heard relative to his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, possibly being the assailant who shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, was when his mother telephoned him on the morning of June 5, 1968, and told him that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, had been arrested for shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he personally does not think SIRHAN SIRHAN shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and he stated that he is loyal to the United States of America, and he believes the rest of his family is loyal to the United States of America.

SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN, had been employed as a groom at one of the race tracks in the Los Angeles area, but he did not know which one. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that the last employment he knew for SIRHAN SIRHAN was at a health food store, but he could furnish no specific details. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, ADEL SIRHAN is a musician, and his brother, MUNIR SIRHAN, is employed at Nash's Store in Pasadena, California. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that his brother, SHARIEF SIRHAN, works for ITT Cannon Company in Los Angeles, California. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he is presently unemployed and he formerly worked at the Michel Ganguin Company at 53 West Union, Pasadena, California, as a machinist for over two years. SAIDALLAH SIRHAN stated that he is not married, and that none of his brothers are married.

In connection with the interview of SAIDALLAH SIRHAN the following descriptive data was obtained:

Full name	SAIDALLAH BISHARA SALAMEN SIRHAN
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	

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Place of Birth	Jerusalem, Palestine
Height	5'10"
Weight	127-133 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
California driver's license number	[REDACTED]
Selective Service Number	[REDACTED]
Local Board Number	90
	553 South Lake Street Pasadena, California
Alien Registration Number	[REDACTED]

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Date 6/8/68

Miss BARBARA SHAW, 6030 Cadillac Avenue, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at Goleta, California, at which time she stated that she is secretary for State Senator ANTHONY C. BIELENSON. During Senator KENNEDY's talk at the Ambassador Hotel, she was in company with Senator BIELENSON's wife, DELORES, and, upon the conclusion of Senator KENNEDY's talk, she and Mrs. BIELENSON went from the main room into a kitchen hallway because of the oppressive heat in the main room. A few minutes later, it appeared to her that Senator KENNEDY had passed through the kitchen hallway and had gone beyond them, but she did not see him at that time because she was distracted by other persons around her. Mrs. BIELENSON advised Miss SHAW that the Senator had passed.

At that point, she heard what she thought was a series of firecrackers explode and learned later that the Senator had been shot. She stated that she did not observe the Senator in the kitchen hallway, did not observe the assailant, and knew nothing else about the shooting except what she learned later from other persons.

She learned from Mrs. BIELENSON, however, that Mrs. BIELENSON had observed a part of the incident.

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Date June 6, 1968

ARTHUR W. EVANS, 16032 Placerita Road, Saugus, California, was interviewed at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena, California, where he was visiting his wife, ELIZABETH EVANS, who was shot early (approximately 12:15 a.m.) on the morning of June 5, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel while witnessing a victory celebration for ROBERT F. KENNEDY. EVANS described his wife's condition as good and indicated that she would probably be released from the hospital on June 9, 1968. His wife's physician is Dr. JOHN T. GARNER, 744 Fairmount, Pasadena, California (793-2119). EVANS continued that he and his wife attended a victory celebration for EVELLE YOUNGER at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968. At approximately 11:30 p.m., June 4, 1968, they arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. A victory celebration was being held for ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and they desired to visit with PIERRE SALINGER, who was an old friend of theirs. Between 11:30 p.m. and 12 midnight he and his wife went to the Press Room temporarily set up at the hotel. His wife, using an old press card which she had when she formerly worked for a newspaper, was admitted to the Press Room, but he remained in the lobby. EVANS milled around the lobby until KENNEDY finished his victory speech, at which time he (EVANS) started looking for his wife. A short while later he heard that KENNEDY had been shot, and still later he discovered that his wife had also been shot. EVANS pointed out that he was not in the vicinity of the actual shooting and did not hear any shots fired.

EVANS further advised that he has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN, and that he has never seen this individual before either at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 5, 1968 or anywhere else.

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Date 6/6/68

ELIZABETH EVANS, 16032 Placerita Road, Saugus, California, (telephone EM 5-3159 and 295-6644), was interviewed at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, 100 Congress Street, Pasadena, and furnished the following information:

She and her husband, ARTHUR W. EVANS, arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, at approximately 11:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968 (after previously attending a victory celebration for EVELLE YOUNGER at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles) to renew acquaintance with PIERRE SALINGER, a long-time friend. As ROBERT KENNEDY was delivering his victory speech at the Ambassador Hotel, EVANS proceeded around the speaker's rostrum at the location to the "ante-room" behind the rostrum hoping to contact SALINGER as the KENNEDY party departed. EVANS stood near the door leading from the ante-room to the adjacent kitchen. KENNEDY, closely surrounded by people, proceeded past EVANS and into the kitchen area followed by ETHEL KENNEDY who at this point was two or three steps behind ROBERT KENNEDY. As ETHEL KENNEDY proceeded through this doorway, EVANS heard noises which sounded like a string of firecrackers exploding. At the same time, EVANS lost one of her shoes, and, as she bent over to retrieve same, heard someone exclaim that a woman had been shot. Not realizing that she herself had been shot, EVANS continued to search for her shoe. When EVANS straightened up, blood flowed down her face, and she then realized that she had been shot in the forehead. EVANS did not see anyone else shot, nor did she observe anyone holding any kind of a weapon. Several bystanders immediately removed EVANS to a table near the speaker's rostrum, where she remained until the ambulance arrived and transported her to Central Receiving Hospital. EVANS, who has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, advised that she could not recall seeing anyone resembling this individual in the hotel at any time.

EVANS advised that the bullet was removed from her forehead in surgery on June 5, 1968, at the Huntington

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Memorial Hospital. EVANS described her condition as good, and indicated that she would probably be released from the hospital by June 9, 1968.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 7, 1968

SEROUS A. MASHAYEKHI, employee, Chandler Shoe Store, 360 South Lake Avenue, was interviewed at the Chandler Shoe Store at which time he furnished the following information:

On the night of June 4, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, with his friends, LONNY and JANET WORTHEY, to await the election returns and to participate in the anticipated victory celebration for Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He and the WORTHEYS arrived at the hotel at about 8:30 P.M. and went to the Embassy Room. They found that they could not gain admittance to this room because it was apparently reserved for the press. He and the WORTHEYS then went to the first floor of the hotel and to a room which had been reserved for the use of the KENNEDY campaign workers' victory celebration.

At about 9:30 P.M., while still in this room, he went to one of the two bars in the room, which he described as the larger bar. He noticed an individual standing against a wall adjacent to the bar. This person appeared to be out of place inasmuch as he did not seem to be joining in the apparent festivity nor was he wearing any campaign buttons or any tother items indicating his affiliation with the KENNEDY campaign.

Since having seen newspaper photographs of the alleged assassin of Senator KENNEDY, he believes this individual to be identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN. He carried on no conversation with this individual and never saw him again during that evening. This individual was wearing a sport shirt and slacks, light in color. He observed no individuals standing near this person. As WORTHEY's wife was pregnant and not feeling well, MASHAYEKHI and the WORTHEYS left the hotel about 11:30 P.M. and returned to Pasadena.

MASHAYEKHI furnished the following descriptive information regarding himself:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Place of birth	Tehran, Iran
Marital status	Married
Height	5'10"
Weight	160 pounds
Citizenship	Iranian
Occupation	Shoe salesman
Address	252 South Mentor Apartment 8 Pasadena, California

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LONNY L. WORTHEY, employee, Chandler Shoe Store, 360 South Lake Avenue, was interviewed at the Chandler Shoe Store, at which time he furnished the following information:

On the night of June 4, 1968, he and his wife accompanied a friend, SEROUS A. MASHAYEKHI, to the Ambassador Hotel to await the election returns and participate in the anticipated KENNEDY victory celebration. They arrived at the hotel at about 8:30 or 9:00 p.m. and after finding that they could not enter the Embassy Room, went to the first floor of the hotel and to a room which had apparently been reserved for KENNEDY campaign workers' victory celebration. At about 10:00 p.m., when going to the bar to get a coke for his wife, he accidentally bumped into an individual at the end of this bar. After seeing newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, he believes the individual he bumped into was SIRHAN SIRHAN. WORTHEY apologized for bumping into this person to which this individual made no reply. A few minutes later WORTHEY observed a female standing along side this individual, but he did not observe them talking with each other. With the large number of persons being in the room, he was not sure that this female was in company with this individual. He did not see this individual or the female at any time later in the evening. He and his wife and MASHAYEKHI left the hotel about 11:30 p.m. and returned directly to Pasadena.

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DEAN KNOX, The Peakload Company, 3057 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised that W. J. WOOD was first employed by their company on May 30, 1968, and terminated his employment June 3, 1968. KNOX said that their company sends workers to various jobs throughout the city and had sent WOOD along with several others to work as telephone solicitors at KENNEDY Headquarters 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, on May 30, 1968.

KNOX said that MARY BLAINE, Secretary for Peakload Company received a telephone call from WOOD at 5:00 p.m. on June 5, 1968, and left the following message:

"Says he speaks Arabic and overheard two men talking Arabic and one said, 'If we don't get him tonight we can get him tomorrow night at The Ambassador'. He has not seen the suspect's picture but says the description fits. Wonders if his information is valuable and if he should talk to the police. Wants you to call him back desperately. He will be home tonight."

KNOX stated that WOOD is presently residing at the El Dorado Hotel, 416 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, and could possibly be contacted at that address.

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SA WAYNE L. BOURQUE/wlb/alm Date dictated 6/7/68

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Mrs. GENE MILLER, Assistant Principal, John Muir High School, 1905 Lincoln Avenue, advised that all high school records for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN had been sent to Mr. JOHN T. HARRIS, Coordinator of Pupil Personnel Services for the Pasadena School System at 351 South Hudson, Pasadena. She advised that HARRIS requested on June 5, 1968, that SIRHAN's file be sent to him in view of the current publicity and to prevent the information in the file from being made public.

Mrs. MILLER stated that according to SIRHAN's index card he had graduated on June 13, 1963, and that the file had been placed in an inactive status. She advised that the file consists of basic statistical information in regard to SIRHAN's courses and grades, and other documents which would reflect his attendance in grade school and junior high.

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On June 6, 1968, JOHN T. HARRIS, Coordinator of Pupil Personnel Services, Pasadena Unified School District, Education Center, 351 South Hudson, furnished the elementary and junior high school record of MUNIR SIRHAN. This file contained the following information on MUNIR SIRHAN:

Name	MUNIR SIRHAN
Sex	Male
Address	1321 North Mentor
School last attended	Lutheran Church School
Grade	Third
Date of Leaving	December 14, 1957
City	Jerusalem, Jordan
Age	Nine
Birth Data	[REDACTED] Jerusalem, Jordan
Father	BISHARA SALAMEH SIRHAN, Arabiah, Occupation, Gardener
Mother	MARY SIRHAN
Sponsor	HALDOR LILLENAS

MUNIR SIRHAN's health record contained the following information:

Addresses	1321 North Mentor; 1647 North Lake; 696 East Howard
Family Physician	HARRY BROWN (address 351 South Hudson, Pasadena, California)
Sponsor to country	Sponsor to tr's country as of January 1957 was HALDOR LILLENAS, 1945 East Mountain

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Miss SUSANNE LOCKE, 6545 South Victoria Street,
Los Angeles, California, furnished the following information:

She was a volunteer worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY during his campaign and was attending the election returns party in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968. While Senator KENNEDY was speaking, she was stationed at a position near the rear of the stage on the right side as one faces the stage, with a friend, ACQUILINE SULLIVAN, who had hurt her foot. It was late in the evening and when Senator KENNEDY finished speaking, she and ACQUILINE had moved into the kitchen area where Senator KENNEDY was subsequently shot. She and ACQUILINE had stepped onto a shelf-like ledge about four feet off the floor on the west side of the kitchen area. Also present in this area at the time were about four or five white jacketed hotel employees. As Senator KENNEDY passed by with his party, he was surrounded by friends and newspapermen. She turned to ACQUILINE and commented about how happy Mr. KENNEDY looked. After the KENNEDY party had passed, she heard cracking noises which sounded like exploding fire-crackers. She immediately realized, however, that the sounds were gunshot sounds and they were in rapid succession, a total of about eight or ten shots. At this specific time, she had lost sight of Senator KENNEDY. The gun sounds appeared to come from her left and she immediately jumped to the floor. She does not recall seeing anyone with a gun; and people immediately began pushing into the kitchen area from the Embassy Room, apparently attracted by the noise and excitement. Her friend, ACQUILINE, was having difficulty trying to get to the floor and she attempted to grab hold of her.

LOCKE noticed several men lying on the floor, one with blood on his forehead--his eyes open and staring, but she did not recognize any of these individuals on the floor as Senator KENNEDY. Another individual in her immediate vicinity, a woman whom she did not know, had blood on her head and appeared to be stumbling backwards. She was attempting to get help from her friend ACQUILINE but had lost sight of her and her other thought was to attempt to reach the gunman who had done the

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shooting. Somehow, she got turned around as people were pushing in all directions and was headed back toward the Embassy Room. Someone was apparently trying to close the double doors leading to the Embassy Room, but she was successful in getting out of the kitchen area and into a room behind the stage. She sat down and someone gave her a cigarette.

She does not recall seeing Senator KENNEDY after the shooting but believes that she may have seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at the hotel earlier in the evening; however, she is not sure of this. She recalls seeing a girl in the Embassy Room, just before Senator KENNEDY entered to speak, stationed near her immediate vicinity wearing a white shift with blue polka dots. She observed that the girl was not wearing a yellow press badge and thought that this to be very unusual since it was necessary to have such a badge to gain entry into the Embassy Room. She mentioned this to CAROL BRESHEARS who is in charge of the KENNEDY girls and Mrs. BRESHEARS pointed her out to a guard nearby. The girl was expressionless and seemed somewhat out of place where she was standing. She was a Caucasian in her early twenties, well proportioned, with long brown hair pulled back and tied behind her head. Her hair appeared to be dried out similar in appearance to hair of a girl who does a lot of swimming.

LOCKE is not acquainted with SIRHAN or his family and has no knowledge of any motive for shooting Senator KENNEDY. She realizes that many people were opposed to Senator KENNEDY as a presidential candidate, but does not consider this to be unusual.

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GEORGE CHARLES ERHARD, JR., 1978 Olive Way, Pasadena, California, was interviewed concerning selling a .22 caliber Iver Johnson pistol to MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN.

ERHARD was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and he was interviewed in the presence of his mother, Mrs. HELEN B. ERHARD, at his residence.

ERHARD stated that he originally obtained the pistol, serial number unrecalled, from a former neighbor, Mrs. DANA TULITA WESTLAKE, who now resides with her husband, ROBERT F. WESTLAKE, 349 Redwood Drive, Woodacre, California, in about December 1967.

He stated that the pistol was given to him as Mrs. WESTLAKE did not want it around the house where her children could get hold of it, and she knew that he collected guns.

He said that he believes LESLIE H. HERTZ, father of Mrs. WESTLAKE, was the original owner.

He described the pistol as an Iver Johnson, eight shot, double action, .22 caliber pistol which he believed had not been shot prior to his obtaining it.

He stated that he possessed the pistol until about February 15, 1968, when he sold it to a fellow employee at the F. C. Nash Company, a department store, 141 East Colorado Street, Pasadena, California, known to him as "JOE".

He identified a photograph of MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as "JOE", who is employed at Nash's, as the individual to whom he sold the pistol.

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He stated that "JOE" was not a friend but rather an acquaintance he knew at work. He stated that "JOE" had heard from some of the other employees that he (ERHARD) collects guns and in early January 1968, "JOE" asked him if he had a gun for sale which could be used for "hunting". "JOE" specified a hand gun for under \$50, but ERHARD had no guns for sale at that time.

ERHARD stated that in about February 1968, he needed money to fix up his automobile so he mentioned to "JOE" that he might have a gun for sale. He stated that he believed this was on a Saturday at work and "JOE" asked him to bring the gun to work so he could see it.

ERHARD stated that he believes he brought the Iver Johnson .22 to the customer parking lot of Nash's on the following Monday where "JOE" came out to his car and looked at the pistol.

ERHARD was asking \$27 to \$30 for the pistol and "JOE" stated that he did not have enough money with him at that time and requested ERHARD to meet him later that afternoon at the corner of Howard Street and an unrecalled cross street at about 5:30 PM.

ERHARD stated that he and another friend, BILL PRICE, 2488 Galbraith Road, Pasadena, California, drove to the Howard Street location in his (ERHARD) Corvair automobile. "JOE" and another individual described as a dark complexioned male with black curly hair were standing on the corner.

ERHARD got out of the automobile and walked to the rear of the automobile and talked with "JOE" about the pistol. The other individual walked to the side of the automobile and talked with PRICE. ERHARD stated that he believed that he had the pistol with him at this time and he and "JOE" bargained for it. ERHARD was asking \$30 and "JOE" and the other individual

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walked away from ERHARD and PRICE who had joined him in the discussion. ERHARD stated that "JOE" and this other individual appeared to be talking in a foreign tongue, possibly Arabic.

Both individuals walked back to where ERHARD and PRICE were standing and "JOE" stated that he did not have quite enough money but he would purchase the pistol for \$25. ERHARD agreed and "JOE" had to borrow about \$6 from the other individual. ERHARD recalls that he gave the pistol to "JOE" who handed him the \$25. He stated that no ammunition was sold with the pistol.

ERHARD reviewed photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN and identified MUNIR as "JOE". He stated he was unable to identify a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN as the individual with "JOE" who had loaned "JOE" the \$6.

ERHARD stated that he does not recall any specific identifying features of the pistol which he sold to "JOE", but he might possibly be able to identify the brown cardboard box containing the pistol.

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GEORGE HENRY GENTLEMAN, Parking Lot Attendant, was interviewed at his place of employment, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and advised that he worked from 11:00 AM until approximately 10:30 PM on June 4, 1968. He remained in the parking lot the entire time except for his half-hour dinner break at approximately 4:30 PM. He went home following work.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to GENTLEMAN and he advised that he had not seen an individual resembling SIRHAN SIRHAN in the hotel area on the evening of June 4, 1968

GENTLEMAN is described as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Data	[REDACTED]
Residence	Fort Worth, Texas 20706 Pioneer Boulevard Lakewood, California
Telephone No.	860-6231

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Mr. DAVID PHILLIPPS, owner, Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra, California, telephone AT 9-0925, was interviewed at that business establishment, and he advised as follows:

He resides at 9910 Lanark Street, Sun Valley, California, telephone 767-7029.

He recalls observing on June 4, 1968, two persons sitting in the restaurant at the counter in the first two seats from the wall to the left of the restaurant entrance. These persons were at the restaurant between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., and were in the restaurant for about twenty to thirty minutes. He recalls these persons because they did not appear "clean cut".

He did not hear these persons say anything or write anything.

He and LEONORE PHILLIPS, waitress, were the only two employees present at the time.

He does not recall the identities of any customers who were in the coffee shop during the time the two persons were there.

He described these individuals as follows:

Number One:

Sex	Male
Race	Unknown, appeared to be mulatto
Age	21 - 33 years

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Height	Unknown
Weight	Unknown
Build	About medium
Eyes	Dark
Scars, Marks, Tattoos	None noted
Dress	White T-shirt and possibly blue sweater; trousers unknown; shoes unknown.

Number Two:

Sex	Male
Race	Unknown, appeared to be mulatto
Age	Possibly two years older than number one male
Height	Unknown, observed only while sitting
Weight	Unknown, slightly heavier than number one male
Eyes	Dark
Facial Features	Nose flatter and wider than number one male, unshaven
Dress	Unknown

Mr. PHILLIPPS was shown two photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, one being Los Angeles Police Department photograph number BK 495139, taken June 5, 1968, and he stated he would say, and felt in his heart, that SIRHAN is the same person as the number one male mentioned herein.

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LEONORA HOSTETTER, residence address 609 East Norwood Place, Alhambra, California, telephone 281-5095, was interviewed at her employment, Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra, California, telephone AT 9-0925, where she is a waitress, and she advised as follows:

On June 4, 1968, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m., she waited on two male persons who were sitting at the counter in the first and second seats from the wall on the left side of the entrance of the restaurant. She did not observe these persons come into the restaurant.

These persons had an open newspaper on the counter in front of them.

They ordered toast and coffee. She brought the coffee and then waited on some of the other customers. When she brought the toast she noticed there were two sheets of white paper on top of the newspaper and there were lines on the paper at different angles. She does not know what the lines represented, but it reminded her of her kitchen at home which had been remodeled. Both persons had pencils in their hands, but they were not observed using them. She could not tell if there was any wording on the paper.

She did not hear the two persons say anything after they placed their orders.

The two persons were in the restaurant no less than twenty minutes and no more than thirty five minutes. Their bill came to 74¢ and when they left the money was left on the counter. She did not actually see them leave and, therefore, did not see which way they went; nor did she observe an automobile.

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