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Lieutenant FRED E. STEMRICH, Intelligence Division, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, made available a two page xerox copy containing four separate pages of Western Union telegram. The information contained on the xerox pages was not legible enough to be copied and the following is a verbatim transcript:

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"SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, in care of WILBUR LITTLEFIELD ESQUIRE, Private and Confidential attention, report delivery.

'Public Defender Los Angeles County Jail, 441 Bouchet Street, Los Angeles.

"ASSALEMU ALEIKUM as American Friend of Arab people and Palestine Refugees in particular, whose flight is a full time professional occupation, completely humanitarian and non political, may I most ernestly and sincerely caution you from being exploited by certain individuals and/or organizations extremely controversal in nature. I am seriously disturbed that their only purpose is to exploit your present situation for their personal and/or financial gain. I even question their basic sincerity or motivation. In particular, in my opinion, I strongly recommend your refusing any assistance from JOHN J. LAWRENCE, Chairman F. A. I. R. (Federated Americans Against Israeli Racism), who is a virulent, self admitted anti-Semite and anyassistance from him can only further compromise the possibility of a fair and just trial. In LAWRENCE's letter of June 13, 1968 addressed to AL MATTHEWS, Esquire, attorney-at-law, of Van Nuys, California, headed "Organizing Committee for Clemency for SIRHAN" includes the name of at least two people as authorized members of committee who have definitely advised Federal Bureau of Investigation that they wish to be completely disassociated with LAWRENCE. They are FRANK SAKRAN, Esquire, attorney-at-law (Palestine American as well), Mechanicsville, Maryland and Reverend Father GEORGE ABOUD, Orthodox Priest of Brooklyn, New York. For your

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further information LAWRENCE has been prosecuted for or has pending a total of 38 slander and libel suits and is well known to the United States Attorney General, the Attorneys General of Connecticut and New York States, the New York Police Department as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I am in a position to provide you counsel with complete documentary evidence to substantiate all of the above.

"I have sent your mother \$25 to be applied, knowing the Westbank from numerous visits, including JERICHO and RAMALLAH, please be assured of my complete impartial and good intentions in sending you this alert. You have more friends in America than you realize and they stand ready to support you when you repeat you alone decide on your counsel and a committe is established to raise funds, I leave for the middle east in June 28, 1968 and assure you you will be in my thoughts and prayers when I visit your native Palestine, the Holy Land and the shrines in Jersusalem and Bethlehem.

"Sentiments expressed here in are completely personal and private and do not reflect endorsement of any organization with which I am associated, offered all in good faith.

> "Yours Sincerely, JOHN COLLINS 321 East 52nd Street New York, New York

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GEORGE BEILICKE was interviewed at his residence 112 Harkness Avenue, regarding his knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

BEILICKE said that he first met SIRHAN about two years ago, summer 1966. He said he knew that SIRHAN was a student at Pasadena City College and he recalls he saw him, off and on a few times. He recalled that he had seen him in Shap's Cocktail Bar in Pasadena. He recalls that he mainly saw SIRHAN at Denny's Coffee Shop located down the street from Shap's Bar. BEILICKE said that he knew SIRHAN had some friends however he did not know the names or where they lived. He described these people as being foreigners and thought they were from the Middle East or Europe. He said that SIRHAN did have two American friends. He said that he never really associated with SIRHAN or his friends, and mainly saw them on the street from time to time. He said he first met a friend of SIRHAN named PAUL, last name not known, in Tyke's Bar in Pasadena, during summer 1965. He said he did not connect PAUL as being a friend of SIRHAN until after he had met SIRHAN and then he saw SIRHAN and PAUL together on several occasions. BEILICKE said he could not recall exactly where or when he had seen them together.

BEILICKE said that in either February or March 1966, he was at the Santa Anita Racetrack in Arcadia and he loaned PAUL \$75.00. That following summer he had occasion to meet PAUL either in a bar or a coffee shop and attempted to collect the \$75.00. BEILICKE said PAUL became belligerent and threatened him with a knife and told him, BEILICKE, to leave him alone. BEILICKE said that he has never tried to make any other effort to collect the \$75.00. The last time he saw PAUL was during the fall of 1966.

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BEILICKE described PAUL as follows:

Age	Mid-twenties
Age Height	5*6"
Weight	140 pounds
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Neat haircut style

PAUL mentioned on one occasion that he was a Lebanese. BEILICKE recalled that he had seen PAUL driving around Pasadena in a 1960 Volkswagen with the front end damaged to the extent that one of the headlights was not in working order.

BEILICKE said that he has gone to Shap's Bar on occasion but he cannot recall being there for the past two years. He says he usually frequents Denny's Coffee Shop and goes there during the early morning hours after he gets off work.

BEILICKE said the last time he saw SIRHAN in person was sometime during the middle of the week prior to the last week in May 1968. He said he had no conversation with him at that time other than to exchange greetings. BEILICKE said that he was not aware of any fight that SIRHAN was involved in at Denny's Coffee Shop.

BEILICKE was not able to furnish any further information concerning background, habits, or associates of SIRHAN and his friends. He said that he was not really friendly with SIRHAN and his friends and considered them to only be occasional acquaintances.

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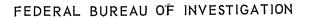
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Alias	Gert	
Sex	Male	
Race	White	

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Birth Data February 28, 1935 Berlin, Germany  $5'10\frac{1}{2}"$ Height 158 pounds Weight Hair Black Eyes Brown Occupation Machinist Employment Rogers and Olling Company 2470 Walnut Street Pasadena, California Since June 1967 Hours: 4:30 p.m. to midnight shift Marital Status Married Wife: PATRICIA

BEILICKE said he is a German national. He exhibited a green Alien Registration Card No. reflecting date of entry into the United States as April 21, 1965.

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PHILLIP MULLER, residing at 3201 Hamilton Way, advised he was formerly Assistant Office Manager at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. He said his duties consisted of being in charge of supplies and campaign literature at the headquarters.

Mr. MULLER said he was at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968, and had the job of tabulating votes. He was handling this activity inside the Presidential suite, which was located on the top floor of the hotel. He said he was inside the Presidential suite all of the time he was at the hotel that evening with the exception of the period he went downstairs to get something to eat. He estimated that this was about an hour before Senator KENNEDY was shot. Mr. MULLER said he has never met a person having the name SIRHAN SIRHAN. He has seen photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspaper, and he is positive he did not see him at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968. Mr. MULLER added that he cannot recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard.

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SHERRY MARKS, 12309 Tigrina, Whittier, California, advised that she formerly worked at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. Miss MARKS said that she was a volunteer worker at the campaign headquarters. She said she was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968. She said that she has no information to offer concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, as she was not in the immediate area of where he was shot.

Miss MARKS said that she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and she does not recall ever having met this individual. She said she did not see this individual at the Ambassador Hotel prior to the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot. She added that she did get a glimpse of SIRHAN SIRHAN as the police were escorting him out of the hotel.

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DEBBIE J. MOONEYHAM, residing at 5860 Fitzpatrick Street, advised that she and her girl friend MARY MC MAHON arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California at about 10:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968. Miss MOONEYHAM said she and MARY walked around the hotel and visited the campaign rooms of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.and MAX RAFFERTY.

She recalled around 12:00 midnight she was walking in the lobby on the floor below where the campaign room for Senator KENNEDY was located. She stated that she heard that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Police were clearing the bottom floors of the hotel, shortly after she heard this.

Miss MOONEYHAM stated that she and MARY stayed at the hotel until sometime around 2:00 or 3:00 a.m.

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She stated that she had never heard the name SIRHAN SIRHAN before and does not recall seeing him at the hotel at any time. She stated that she does not recall seeing any girl at the hotel wearing a polka dot dress.

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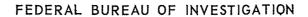
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MAXINE OTCHIS, 5414 Simpson Avenue, advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968, and was in the company of her boy friend NATHAN HELFMAN, and JOEL WEINGARTEN. Miss OTCHIS said that she was not in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot and has no personal knowledge concerning the activity that took place, either before or after he was shot.

Miss OTCHIS said that she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and she does not recall seeing this individual at the Ambassador Hotel during the night that she was there. She said that she has never met SIRHAN SIRHAN and knows of nothing concerning his background.

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FREDDIE STEWART, 17156 Ventura Boulevard, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968. Mr. STEWART said that he has no personal knowledge concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said he was not in the area where Mr. KENNEDY was shot.

Mr. STEWART said that he has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and he does not ever recall having met this individual before. He said that he cannot recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968.

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JOY THORNTON residing at 1280 South Barrington Avenue, Apartment 22, Los Angeles, California, advised that she and her husband JOHN were at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles on the night of June 4 - 5, 1968.

She stated that she and her husband were present at the time that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY gave his victory speech in the Embassy Room. She stated that about one hour before Senator KENNEDY gave the speech she and her husband entered the room through the kitchen were Senator KENNEDY was later shot.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that she has no personal knowledge concerning the activities that took place in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot. She stated she and her husband were not in the immediate area at the time he was shot. She stated she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she cannot recall ever having seen this individual before. She stated she did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time while she was at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968 - June 5, 1968.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that she was a volunteer worker at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5616 Wilshire Boulevard. She stated she worked for about three months prior to the primary election at the front desk in the headquarters. She stated she worked about 12 hours a day during this time and she does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the headquarters.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that her husband JOHN could furnish no further information other than what she has already given.



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JOHN A. SWEDE was interviewed at the Los Angeles office of the FBI. Mr. SWEDE said he and his wife, CONRADINA MARIE FABREY DE JONGÉ SWEDE, were on a honeymoon during the month of May and part of the month of June 1968. He said during this honeymoon, he and his wife visited Europe and countries in the Middle East and Southwest Asia. On Friday, May 17, 1968, they were on an Iraqi Airline flight from Cairo to Tehran. They landed in Baghdad at about 5:00 p.m., and they missed the connecting flight from Baghdadto Tehran. The Iraqi irline made arrangements for he and his wife to spend the night at the Ambassador Hotel in Baghdad. He said he and his wife checked in at the hotel shortly after they found out that they had missed the connecting flight. At the hotel they went directly to their room where they stayed for about an hour. He said they made inquiry regarding a place to eat and found out that the hotel had a dining room.

Mr. SWEDE said that he and his wife arrived at the dining room in the hotel at about 7:10 p.m. He described the dining room as being one flight above the ground floor, and the only dining room located in the hotel. He said that he and his wife were the only persons in the room at the time that they arrived. He estimated that the dining room had about 35 to 40 dining tables. After they were seated at a table, a waiter came up and said, "You have heard KENNEDY has been shot." Mr. SWEDE said he assumed the waiter was referring to JOHN F. KENNEDY and said the name JOHN F. KENNEDY. The waiter said, "Oh no, his brother ROBERT." Mr. SWEDE said he was surprised to hear this and answered, "Shot?" The waiter said, "Yes, with a gun ..... how else, in the head."

Mr. SWEDE said the waiter spoke in broken English, and throughout his conversation he had a flaw in the use of verb tenses. He said when the waiter said, "KENNEDY is been shot," he assumed that it had already happened. He

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said he asked the waiter how he knew this, and the waiter answered with the words to the effect ".... I hear, I hear on Arabic radio." Mr. SWEDE asked the waiter if the news would be in the newspaper, and the waiter answered with the words to the effect ".... You can't read about it. On the radio. Just today I find out." Mr. SWEDE said this conversation took place just before the serving of the main meal. During the time he served the main meal, the waiter got off of the subject. The waiter asked personal questions such as what he and his wife were doing in Baghdad and where they were going.

Mr. SWEDE said he was successful in turning the conversation back to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, but he was unable to get any further comment from the waiter other than what he had already said. He said the waiter left them pretty much alone while they were eating. After their dinner and while the waiter was serving coffee, he said the problem with the world is the "Jew." The waiter said that the United States is dominated and motivated by Zionists. He mentioned that all the candidates are "pro Israel." Mr. SWEDE said the waiter was not specific regarding names when he made this comment. He said he recalled asking the waiter if the news about KENNEDY would be on the radio that night, and the waiter said, "You will hear nothing."

Mr. SWEDE described the waiter as being of either Arabic or Iraqi descent, about 50 to 55 years of age, with skin of medium color. He was of stout build and had black hair and mustache with gray fleck. He said that there was one other couple seated in the dining room at the time they had dinner, and this couple came to the dining room while he and his wife were in the process of consuming their meal.

Mr. SWEDE said that he and his wife were concerned and slightly disturbed over the fact that the waiter had told them that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot. After dinner they went to the main square in Baghdad to find a newspaper that would have this news. They were unable to locate a newspaper containing this news. He said they listened to the radio that night for news about ROBERT KENNEDY, and they heard none. He said they left

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Baghdad during Saturday morning, May 18, 1968. They flew to Tehran. During that day they made inquiry concerning the news that the waiter had told them on the previous evening. He said he and his wife were unable to verify the information given by the waiter. He said that they figured that the news that the waiter gave them was nothing but a rumor, and they thought nothing more of it.

He said during the afternoon of June 6, 1968, they happened to be in Mersing, Malaysia, visiting a Peace Corps friend of theirs. Her last name is DAFFNEY. DAFFNEY told them that she had just heard that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in Los Angeles. He said he, his wife and DAFFNEY listened to the radio that evening, and they had heard that KENNEDY died. Mr. SWEDE said that they were stunned, and they thought back to Friday evening, May 17, 1968, and the information the waiter had given them in Baghdad.

Mr. SWEDE said he was disturbed by the news he had received from the waiter and thought it extremely odd that the waiter had told him about KENNEDY being shot about three weeks before he actually was shot. He said he notified Mr. COFFEY, Information Officer at the American Embassy in Singapore regarding this story.

Mr. SWEDE said he has no idea why the waiter made the previously described comments regarding ROBERT KENNEDY. He said that while they were on the honeymoon, no other individuals made such comments regarding him.

He said they returned to the United States from their honeymoon on June 20, 1968, and they currently reside at 1631 Camden Avenue, Los Angeles. He added his wife, CONRADINA, has no other information to furnish other than what he has given above.



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WILAMAY HARRISON, 230 West Washington, Pasadena, California, advised she was at the meeting of the Ancient Mystical Order Rosae Crucis (AMORC), Pasadena, California on May 28, 1963. She advised she met an individual there who said his name was JOE but through photographs and television she determined that this was SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. She advised that when she went to the meeting on the 28th of May, she saw a young man there and she went up and introduced herself as they, the older members, are supposed to do to make the newer members feel at ease. She stated he told her his name was JOE and that he was not too familiar with the order. She asked him how he heard about it and he said he received a brochure in the mail. She advised she helped him put on an apron as this is what they do before they go in for the lecture. She advised she sat over to the other side of the room and she did not see him again until about 9:00 p.m. when the meeting was over and, as they were walking out, this individual, who called himself JOE handed in his apron. She advised she went then to prepare refreshments but that JOE did not stay for any refresments.

She recalled that during the meeting the lecturer asked for a volunteer for a tactile experience, which she stated is an experiment to determine if an individual, when touched, can determine if he is being touched by one or two things. She stated that SIRHAN, or JOE as he called himself that night, volunteered for the experiment, but she stated she did not recall too much about it as she has seen and heard the lecture many times and that she fell asleep. She stated that her **Methods** who was at the meeting, saw SIRHAN donate something to the collection but she was not sure what.

She stated that she was certain he was not wearing a weapon on this occasion because he was wearing tight blue jeans and that she was sure she would have noticed a weapon if he had one. She stated he spent most of his time at the book table looking over the literature before the meeting and that she did not see him talking with anyone. She advised that her discussion

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with him was mostly formal talk and that they did not discuss politics of even religion.

She is certain that this individual, who called himself JOE is SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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JAMES R. MENEFIELD, 1000 West Arbutus Street, Compton, California, telephone NE 6-1464, who is employed by North American Rockwell, Inglewood, California, telephone OR 0-8151, advised that he had been a member of the Compton for KENNEDY Committee. Since he was on this committee he decided to go to the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968 for KENNEDY's victory speech. MENEFIELD parked about one block north of the Ambassador in a service station driveway. He was alone and arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at 10:45 p.m. After he had entered the Ambassador dor Hotel he went to the room where KENNEDY was supposed to speak, by way of the kitchen. MENEFIELD saw nothing while entering the hotel.

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MENEFIEID believes that he was in the Embassy Room and after he had been there for a short while Senator KENNEDY came and spoke. The Senator then turned and went out a back door and in a few minutes MENEFIEID heard some noise in the kitchen. He then heard screaming. He started towards the double door that leads into the kitchen to investigate the noise and a woman came out of the door with blood on her head and said, 'They shot him'.

MEMEFIELD walked back to the kitchen, looked through a crowd of people and saw the back of Senator KENNEDY's head. He realized at that time that it was the Senator who had been shot. He saw another man, who had apparently been shot, sitting in a chair. MENEFIELD was very upset and had not fully understood the whole situation so he then walked back to the auditorium. He stated he stayed at the hotel until around 3:00 a.m. when he called his wife.

Nothing unusual was noticed by MENEFIELD and he had heard nothing about any type of violence.

After viewing a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN he advised that he had never seen him before.

MENEFIELD stated he only knew two people that were at the Ambassador and they were Dr. and Mrs. ROSS MILLER from Compton, California. While at the meeting he met a SHERWIN GAINES. who

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ALBERT MOSLEY, 209 South Willow, Compton, California, who is employed as Advertising Director, "Los Angeles Community Sports", 1214 North Wilmington, Compton, California, advised that he had been a political supporter of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY for some time and as such he decided to go to the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968 to see how Senator KENNEDY's campaign was doing.

MOSLEY arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at about 10:30 p.m. and parked just south of Wilshire Boulevard. He entered the hotel from Wilshire and proceeded to a room that was apparently down stairs from where Senator KENNEDY was speaking. People were yelling, "We want KENNEDY", but Senator KENNEDY never came down to this room. MOSLEY is not sure of the room but advised that it was some type of auditorium. MOSLEY had come from Compton to the Ambassador Hotel with MAXIE FILER, who resides at 542 West Arbutus, Compton, California and was with FILER throughout the evening.

While MOSLEY was talking to a person he had met at the hotel a woman came up, touched him on the arm and said that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot. MOSLEY did not believe it at first but later he realized that it was true because of the way the people in the hotel were acting. MOSLEY left soon after he had heard about the Senator.

MOSIEY noticed nothing unusual while he was at the Ambassador Hotel and had heard nothing of any type of violence.

After viewing a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, MOSIEY advised that to his knowledge he had never seen this man.

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BILL CHANDLER, 2827 Winters Avenue, East Los Angeles, (telephone 262-5479), advised that he is an organizer for the United Farm Workers Union, stated that his residence also serves as his office, and furnished information as follows:

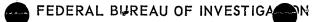
CHANDLER advised that he attended Pasadena City College, the academic year 1964-1965, at which time he attempted to start a chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS). He related that during that time, he and several associates would often frequent the school cafeteria and usually went to one particular table. During that time many students would often stop and talk to him and his associates. He stated that on one occasion four Arab students stopped at the table. He stated that he believes this was the fall of 1965. CHANDLER was displayed a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and advised that he believes that possibly SIRHAN was one of the Arab students. He stated, however, that if the individual was SIRHAN, he did not speak throughout the conversation, which lasted about 15 minutes. Нe stated that he does not believe that he has ever seen SIRHAN since that time and recalled that none of the Arab students appeared interested in the SDS, but rather were interested in telling about their country.

CHANDLER concluded by saying that he has no further knowledge concerning SIRHAN or any knowledge of the KENNEDY assassination, which might possibly be of value to the FBI in the current investigation.

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A source who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with activities of the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights (LACDBR) was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, which photograph was taken by the Los Angeles Police Department June 5, 1968 This source advised that SIRHAN does not appear identical with any individual who has been involved in activities of the LACDBR, 326 West Third Street, Los Angeles, during the Fall of 1966 or during 1967 or 1968

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On July 19, 1963, RON SCHNEIDERS,  $969\frac{1}{2}$  Manzanita, Los Angeles, telephonically contacted the Los Angeles office of the FBI and advised that he had just located a register reflecting the signed names and addresses of three individuals of possible Arab extraction who attended the Los Feliz Peace and Freedom Party (LFPFP) sponsored meeting on May 21, 1963, at 3800 Amesbury, Los Angeles. According to SCHNEIDERS, the names of these three individuals are as follows:

> ALI KHAN BOUCNAND, 2119 North Beechwood, Los Angeles

MOHAMMAD VAFAIE, 4033 Sunset Drive, Los Angeles

VANIK SALMASIZADHE, 631 East Windsor, Glendale, California

SCHNEIDERS noted that he previously furnished information to the FBI regarding this meeting and that he now feels there may have been four individuals of Arab extraction at this meeting.

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Mrs. RACHAEL PHILLIPS, 11365 Jeff Avenue, was interviewed and she advised that back in 1966 and the Spring of 1967, she attended about six meetings of the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights. These meetings were held at various locations in Los Angeles and the exact dates and places of the meetings could not be recalled by her. Mrs. PHILIPS stated that she has recently seen photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspapers, and this made her recall that she believes that she had seen this individual at some of the meetings of the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, mentioned above. She stated this individual did not take an active part in these meetings, was a loner, and usually said nothing at all.

PHILLIPS was shown Los Angeles Police Department photographs of SIRHAN taken June 5, 1968, and she advised that this is the same individual whom she recalls attending the meetings noted above.

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KAREN KLEIN, 1215 Lodi Place, Hollywood, California, (telephone 465-3166) was interviewed at the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, where she has been employed as a secretary in the press room.

KLEIN advised that she was present at the Ambassador Hotel on election night, June 4, 1968, at the time when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated. She explained, however, that she was in the press room at the time of the shooting, and although she initially heard the confusion, that she now knows came from the shooting, she did not go to the area where KENNEDY was shot. She was not a witness to the shooting and the events which took place there. She stated that she has absolutely no further information which she feels relates to the incident. She noted that she had attempted to reconstruct events which occurred during her work in the past, prior, and during the assassination which might be meaningful at this time, but noted that she can recall nothing which took place that would indicate an attempt on the Senator's life was to take place.

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GONZALO CETINA - CARRILLO, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 1521 South Magnolia Street, Los Angeles, California, and his home telephone number is 389-6860.

CARRILLO advised he reported for work at 6:00 PM on June 4, 1968, and worked in the Embassy Room serving food and drinks to the television crews. At about 10:00 PM, he and MANUEL RODRIGUEZ, waiter at the hotel, went to the men's restroom located behind the Venetian Room where MAX RAFFERTY's election party was located. CARRILLO stated as he waited outside the men's room, the following described individual approached him:

White, possibly Jewish extraction Male
20 to 21
5'5"
Slender
Black, kinky, long on sides
Light blue sweater, long
sleeve; could not recall color
of trousers or shoes
Carried folded or rolled
newspapers under left arm;
also carried drink in right
hand (contents of drink unknown)

CARRILLO recalled the above described person approached him, he stated that he was tired and wanted to relax. CARRILLO held this person's drink while he secured a chair, however, no other conversation ensued. At this time, RODRIGUEZ exited the restroom, and both returned to the Embassy Room to resume work.

Later on June 4, 1968, at about midnight, CARRILLO observed this same individual standing in front of the large ice maker machines in the Embassy Room Service Pantry across from a row of chrome topped steam tables. This

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person was holding the same newspapers under his left arm that he held earlier; and he was standing alone.

About five minutes later, that is, shortly after midnight, CARRILLO moved from his original position (entrance way from Embassy Room Service Pantry into the kitchen employees' dining room) across the pantry to the opposite end of the ice makers from where the above described person stood. CARRILLO estimated he was approximately twenty feet from this person but, from this point, he did not further observe him.

Several minutes later, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and others passed by CARRILLO as he stood adjacent to the ice makers. CARRILLO had his back turned from KENNEDY when he heard one gunshot; then a pause of about one second; then another gunshot. After a pause of about two seconds, he heard a barrage of about three rapid gunshots.

CARRILLO stated, after hearing the initial shot, he ducked for cover along the wall situated adjacent to the ice makers. CARRILLO was unable to observe anything when he looked up due to the large number of people who had run into the pantry. About two minutes later, CARRILLO made his way through the crowd and into the kitchen employees' dining room, and stayed there until about 1:30 AM when he was told to leave by Mr. CRADDICK, Assistant Hotel Manager.

CARRILLO observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised this was the same individual whom he described earlier in this interview and whom he saw on the two above described occasions on June 4 and 5, 1968.

CARRILLO stated that prior to 10:00 PM on June 4, 1968, he had never seen SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. Further, that nothing came to his attention to indicate Senator

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ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot. CARRILLO advised at no time did he observe SIRHAN engage in conversation with any other person, and SIRHAN was alone on the above described occasions.

CARRILLO furnished the following information concerning himself:

Birth Data

Height Weight Social Security No. Alien Registration No.

December 10, 1942 Yucatan, Yucatan, Mexico 5'5" 160 pounds

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TRUDI JAYNE JENNINGS, 11231 Success Street, was interviewed at her residence and furnished the following signed statement:

> "Los Angeles, Calif. 6/24/68

"I, Trudi Jayne Jennings, Night Cleaner, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, furnish the following voluntary signed statement to Special Agent J.C. Fishbeck, Jr., of Federal Bureau of Investigation:

"I was born November 15, 1942 in Omaha, Nebraska. I have been employed at the Ambassador Hotel for the past five years and have resided in Los Angeles, California all my life. I have Social Security number and completed the eleventh grade at John C. Fremont high school in Los Angeles. I am married to Frank Jennings and reside with him and my three daughters at 11231 Success Street, Los Angeles, California. My telephone number is 569-0548.

"On June 4, 1968, I reported for work at the Ambassador Hotel two hours earlier than my shift was to begin; that is 12 midnight. I always report for work early due to the fact the buses quit running at 10 PM.

"At about 12:10 or 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968, I carried some glasses into the Embassy Room Service Pantry from the hallway just outside the men's restroom located just outside the Embassy Room Service Pantry. I placed these glasses on the far end of the steam tables where the entrance way from the kitchen employee's dining room into the Embassy Room Service Pantry is located.

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I left the pantry at that time, and went back into the main lobby. I walked down the stairs next to the Lautrec Restaurant, and as I reached the last stair, decided to return to the Embassy Room Service Pantry.

"When I arrived inside the Embassy Room Service Pantry, I walked between the steam tables and ice makers toward the entrance way into the kitchen employee's dining room. Seconds later, Senator Robert F. Kennedy came through the swinging doors leading from the Embassy Room into the Embassy Room Service Pantry. Kennedy was surrounded by several men, one of whom I recognized as Roosevelt Grier, a member of the Los Angeles Rams professional football team. As Kennedy passed me, he nudged me on the arm and continued to walk through pantry. I turned away from the direction he was walking, and immediately heard a male voice yell, "Kennedy", one Instantly I then heard two gunshots. I turned time. toward Kennedy and saw him collapse back toward me. That is all I saw, for I immediately ran through the kitchen employee's dining room and out the swinging doors at the other end of the Embassy Room Service Pantry. I honestly don't recall where I went after hearing the two shots but can only guess that I went through the dining room and Room Service area because I heard no more shots or saw the person who fired the gun.

"I immediately ran to a phone booth in the Venetian Room located across the main lobby and called my mother, Mrs. Gertrude Manley, 722 East 115th Street, Los Angeles, telephone number 755-0588. All I can recall telling her was that Senator Kennedy had been shot. At that time, I saw a Security Guard with a Mexican male who was handcuffed. I later learned from the Los Angeles Police Department on June 21, 1968, that the above individual had been released. TA 56-156

"After making the telephone call, I went down to the Casino Floor where I saw my supervisor, Major Hayden. He told me to continue my work. I went to one of the ladies restrooms near the dress shop on the Casino Floor, when I ran into two Negro teachers, I mentioned to them I was in the Embassy Room Service Pantry when Senator Kennedy was shot. After talking with them for about five minutes, I resumed working until 8:00 A.M., June 5, 1968, when my work shift ended, and I went home.

"I did not see the person responsible for shooting Senator Robert F. Kennedy. The only reason I knew he had been shot when I ran from the pantry was that I heard the two gunshots and saw him begin to collapse, I did not see any smoke from a gun, blood from Kennedy's body or anything that would assist in determining who shot Kennedy. I have been the photograph of Sirhan B. Sirhan and it is not familiar to me. I have seen Sirhan's picture in the newspapers and on television, but prior to that time I have never seen him. In addition, nothing came to my attention prior to the shooting to indicate it would take place.

"I have read the above "4" (four) pages statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge.

> "S/ Trudi Jayne Jennings June 24, 1968

"Witness:

S/ SA J.C.Fishbeck, Jr., FBI, Los Angeles, Calif. 6/24/68"

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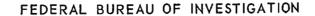
COLETTE JAMENE THELIN, File Clerk, Catering Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, stated she resides at  $3417\frac{1}{2}$  Warner Boulevard, Burbank, California and her home telephone number is 845-2275.

THELIN advised on June 4, 1968 she reported for work at 8:30 a.m. and left work at 4:30 p.m. that same afternoon. She recalled that she went straight home after work and remained there throughout the duration of the evening. She observed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and stated she had never seen him before June 5, 1968, and further, that nothing came to her attention before the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY to indicate this event would occur.

THELIN furnished the following information concerning herself:

Date of birth	May 23, 1946
Place of birth	Santa Ana, California
Social Security No.	
Employment	Ambassador Hotel,
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CARLTON LAVERNE HAYES at 1406 South Cliveden Street, Compton, California, was interviewed regarding his presence at the Ambassador Hotel, 3300 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, between the days of May 12-18 and on June 4-5, 1968.

HAYES advised on May 10, 1968, he was approached by a classmate at Compton Junior College, JOHN AHRNDT, and requested by AHRNDT to assist in distributing campaign literature for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. AHRNDT asked that HAYES, and anyone else HAYES could recruit, to meet him at the Ambassador Hotel on Sunday, May 12, 1968, in order to receive consideration concerning the distribution of this literature. HAYES stated he and several friends went to the hotel on May 12, 1968, and were supposed to hand out the KENNEDY literature on that same afternoon. However, HAYES and his friends attended an impromptu meeting of the Circle K, a service club at the junior college, which prevented them from assisting AHRNDT. HAYES could only recall that HAROLD NEWLIN (phonetic) accompanied him to the hotel on May 12.

HAYES stated he did not return to the Ambassador Hotel until June 4, 1958. At that time, he intended to apply for a job at the Ambassador Hotel, however, after riding a bus to the hotel from his home, he decided it would be too far to travel to work. HAYES recalled he was at the hotel for about an hour on June 4, and could only remember that it was during the morning hours before lunch. Immediately after leaving the hotel, he returned home by bus. HAYES advised he first learned that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot when awakened by his mother during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

HAYES viewed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and stated he never saw anyone that resembled SIRHAN's photograph in the Los Angeles newspapers on July 5, 1968. Further, that nothing came to his attention while he was at the hotel that ... Senator KENNEDY would be shot.

HAYES stated that subsequent to the shooting of

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Senator KENNEDY, he said that he had been at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968.

HAYES felt AHRNDT may have heard this by rumor, thus thought HAYES was in the hotel at the time KENNEDY was shot.

HAYES furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Date of birth	December 12, 1946
Place of birth	Omaha, Nebraska
Height	61
Weight	139 pounds
Social Security No.	

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JOHN PAUL VIAZANKO, 15034 Chase Street, Sepulveda, California, telephone number 894-4805 was interviewed at the Columbia Eroadcasting System building located at Fairfax and Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. He furnished the following information:

His Social Security No. is He was born on December 7, 1925, at Adah, Pennsylvania. He is a free lance cameraman.

On June 4, 1968, he was assigned as a cameraman and working for the Columbia Broadcasting System at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. His assistant cameraman was WILLIAM A. SWEARINGEN.

He was at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 6:30 PM on June 4, 1968, filming a "Youth in Politics Show". Shortly after filming that show he left the Ambassador Hotel and went to the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles. He returned to the Ambassador Hotel approximately 10:45 PM, on June 4, 1968.

He was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel filming and listening to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY who was making a victory speech.

Shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968, Senator KENNEDY completed his speech and turned and walked out a door located at the rear of the platform. VIAZANKO went out a door located to the right of the platform and as he entered the hallway behind the Embassy Room he observed a white female who was crying and who was showing people that she had blood stains on her dress.

Senator KENNEDY's party had already passed through that area and had entered the kitchen area of the hotel.

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VIAZANKO stated that he did not hear any sounds which would have sounded like gun shots to him. ;

After observing the white female with the blood stains on her dress, he rushed passed her into the kitchen area and upon entering that area he observed that Senator KENNEDY was lying wounded on the floor. He also observed other individuals who were on the floor and who appeared to be wounded

He had his camera with him at the time and was told by someone in the room, who he assumed was a security man, to get out of the room and he did leave the room.

After he left the room he decided that he had better get back in there to get some photographs, so he reentered the room. The room where Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor was very crowded and all he could do was hold his camera above his head and take pictures and hope that he was obtaining some good pictures.

VIAZANKO said that he was very busy attempting to obtain photographs and he did not observe the people who were subduing the person, who did the shooting nor did he observe the gunman.

VIAZANKO was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised that prior to seeing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper on June 5, 1968, he does not recall ever having seen this individual.

He stated that LARRY FINDLEY was assigned as a sound man to his camera crew but he does not know where FINDLEY was at the approximate time of the shooting.

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MICHAEL LAURENCE WAYNE, residence address, 1430 South Hi-Point, Apartment 105, Los Angeles, California, telephone WE 4-9851, was interviewed at his place of employment, Pickwick Books, Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, telephone HO 9-3191. He is employed there in the Accounts Receivable Department in the office.

He advised that he was an admirer of Presidential aspirant ROBERT F. KENNEDY and has, as a hobby, the collection of various political buttons, banners, and other paraphernalia and autographs. He stated he has done this for many years and has the autographs of President DWIGHT EISENHOWER and current Vice President HUBERT HUMPHREY, among others.

On May 20, 1963, he went to the Ambassador Hotel to the KENNEDY press rooms, and there was given, by a KENNEDY aide, a PT 109 tie clasp. Later on that same day, he, by chance, met Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on the stairway in the lobby area of the hotel and introduced himself to him. They shook hands, and he asked KENNEDY if he would exchange his, KENNEDY's, PT 109 tie clasp for the one that he, WAYNE, had just been given by the KENNEDY aide. They did exchange tie clasps, and WAYNE left.

On the night of June 4, 1963, after he, WAYNE, left work at Pickwick Books, he hitchhiked to the RAFFERTY headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard, east of the Ambassador Hotel and picked up various political pins there. He then hitchhiked to KUCHEL's headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard west of Vermont, where he collected some political publicity there. He then proceeded to the KENNEDY headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard, in the Miracle Mile section of Los Angeles across from the Broadway Department Store, however, left shortly after arrival, because the headquarters was closing up. He then hitchhiked to the MC CARTHY headquarters on Westwood Boulevard in Westwood, where he received further political paraphenalia for his collection as well as the hard cover book, "Limits of Power," written by MC CARTHY. He then

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hitchhiked to the Beverly Hilton Hotel, where he went to the seventh floor and into a CBS television room where MC CARTHY was to appear. He saw MC CARTHY, who autographed the aforementioned book, and shortly thereafter he left and went to the hotel lobby. From there, he hitchhiked a ride with two young caucasian men and a blonde Caucasian girl to the Ambassador Hotel. These persons, whom he has never seen before or since, drove a Sprite automobile. He cannot recall the color. Shortly prior to their arrival at the Ambassador they heard on the radio that the Dodger baseball game had just ended and that DON DRYSDALE had pitched his sixth straight shut out. Upon arrival at the Ambassador, they drove through the Ambassador driveway from Wilshire Boulevard to west Eighth Street, pausing to look to their left into the parking lot to the rear of the hotel. They observed it was full, and the driver continued to West Eighth Street, where he turned right and attempted to enter a parking lot on the northwest corner of West Eighth and the next north-south street west of the hotel. The policeman there notified them that that lot was a private lot but that one could park on the street in the red zone. He, WAYNE, left the car before it was parked and never did see the persons in the Sprite again. He eventually went to the main doors leading into the press room just down the hall toward the lobby from the Embassy Room but was realised entrance thereto by a guard. He then walked from that entrance to the press, room toward the Embassy Room and turned right and through the two double doors which lead into the kitchen corridor, where KENNEDY was eventually shot. From this kitchen corridor, he entered the aforementioned press room via the side door. In the press room he was given, by someone there, a blue and white rectangular badge which had printed thereon, "KENNEDY Election Night Press," and shortly thereafter, a woman gave him a green badge that had printed thereon, "KENNEDY for President," and in smaller letters below that, "Press." He clipped the two badges together with his tie clasp. He remained in the press room about ten minutes, however, did not see anyone there that he knew. He then left and went to the main lobby area, where he saw an oriental girl with a number of KENNEDY posters. He asked her for some, and she gave him two. He then proceeded to the RAFFERTY headquarters in a room off the main lobby

and picked up several RAFFERTY buttons for his collection. He went to the fifth floor of the hotel, where he went into an open room which had a bar set up therein. He drank a scotch and soda, which was free, and he stated the room was rather crowded, however, not packed. He recognized LES GOTMAN in the room, and they exchanged greetings. He characterized GOTMAN as the youth coordinator of the KENNEDY campaign and one who had maintained a desk immediately to the right and in the corner as one would enter the KENNEDY headquarters located on Wilshire Boulevard. He also saw a KENNEDY staff member, whose name he does not know, and they discussed the PT 109 tie clasp that WAYNE had gotten from KENNEDY on the staircase. WAYNE explained that he wanted to keep that tie clasp given him by KENNEDY, and he asked the staff member if he could have another. The staff member took the one he was wearing and gave it to WAYNE. He, WAYNE, also observed on the fifth floor, a 13 or he had seen in the press room. Mr. KENNEDY 14 year old boy then emerged from his room on the fifth floor, along with the rest of his party and proceeded toward the elevator. He, WAYNE, recognized ROSIE GRIER, and he asked Mr. KENNEDY if he would autograph the poster that he had. KENNEDY said he would later, and he and his party entered one elevator while WAYNE and members of the press entered the other. They alighted from the elevator in the kitchen of the hotel and all proceeded toward the corridor where KENNEDY was eventually In the corridor, WAYNE caught up to KENNEDY and shot. presented the poster, which was autographed by KENNEDY (There is a photograph of KENNEDY autographing the poster on Page 76 of the special edition of Life magazine captioned, "The Kennedys.") After signing the poster, KENNEDY and his party entered the Embassy Room from the aforementioned corridor, and he, WAYNE, remained in the corridor until asked to leave by a woman wearing the red, white and blue colors of the KENNEDY National Press Corps. He left via the double doors at the end of the corridor next to the press room, however, as soon as he saw the woman from the National Press leave he re-entered the corridor. He does not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in the corridor. Shortly thereafter he departed again via the same double doors and went into the Embassy Room where he heard KENNEDY finishing his speech. Just prior to the end of the speech, he, WAYNE,

went through the same double doors again and into the kitchen corridor near the press room. He did not see KENNEDY again. He did observe, however, a group, which he knew was the KENNEDY party, walking toward him from the far end of the kitchen corridor. He remembers hearing some noises that were not loud at about that time. He remembers hearing a few noises and then shortly thereafter a number more. It did not dawn on him at the time what was happening. He did not see KENNEDY get shot or fall to the floor. He heard voices shouting. "Oh. my God, he's been shot," and other voices shouting, "Oh, my God, he's been shot," and other such cries, and then remembers seeing ROSIE GRIER and others on top of a man on the chrome table to his front and left. The man was swarthy in complexion, and he stated he was the same man whom he has seen photographs of identified as SIRHAN. He was very shocked and immediately ran into the press room via the side door and picked up the phone and tried to dial the operator, however, could not get the dial tone or anything else. He tried it on several phones with the same results. He then ran into the hallway in the front of the Embassy Room and was asked by persons there what had happened. He advised he could not say and continued to run, seeking a phone, into the Gold Room, where he asked a busboy where a phone was. The busboy did not know, and he ran out of the room and up to a Negro Security Guard, and he asked him where a phone was. The guard wanted to know why he wanted to phone, and he replied that KENNEDY had just been shot, and he wanted to summon aid. The guard appeared to WAYNE not to believe what he had heard, and he handcuffed WAYNE and took him to some security office in the hotel. WAYNE, at this point, was very emotional and crying. The Security Guard advised him of his legal rights, and he remained in the security office about an hour, however, was allowed to get a drink of water and call his mother and girl friend. He was then escorted by two plainclothesmen from the hotel into the Gold Room, where other witnesses were. He was released and went into the next room, where the NBC television was, and ate some rolls, drank cokes, etc. He was then taken to the Rampart Station, Los Angeles Police Department in a police vehicle with many other witnesses and remained there from about 1:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. After giving his story as a witness to the police, he was driven home by them in the Los Angeles Police Department van.

He gave no indication whatever that he was displeased with the fact that he had been detained at the hotel.

He furnished the following physical description of himself:

Sex Male Race Caccasion May 19, 1947 Born Manchester, England (Now a naturalized American citizen) 5'9" 134 pounds Height Weight California Driver's License Hair Brown Wears glasses, Eyes occasionally contact lenses None

Attends Los Angeles

Pre-Law

City College, majoring in Political Science and

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V. M. DICKERSON, Registrar, California State College at Los Angeles, advised that according to the school's records ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was a student and received a BA degree in English from the school in January, 1962.

He advised that because an agreement was made with the student body, the students admission records and applications for admission records are confidential and cannot be furnished without the approval of the student.

He said in order to review these records, a clearance will have to be obtained from the Director of Admissions, Mr. HAROLD H. TEMMER; and if permission is granted, it will take approximately one week to recall the files from the State Archives.

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KATHLEEN FOSGATE, Clerk, University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA), Registrar's Office, advised that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was unknown to her and furnished the following information from the school's files:

> ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS Name December 23, 1926 Date of Birth Salt or Sait, Jordan Place of Birth Home Address 460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California (7/13/64) Parent ABDULLAH DABBAS - deceased Marital Status Single Nationality American Citizen Arrived in July, 1956 California Roster Number



January 27, 1965 - Near East Language and Literature September, 1963

According to an application for admission to graduate studies dating August 19, 1963, he furnished his home address as 460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California, and that he had attended the following schools:

> Egyptian College of Journalism Cairo, Egypt September, 1954 - July, 1955 Received diploma Arabic Journalism, 1955

Student File Number

Degree

Admitted

Received Masters

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Pasadena City College

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He taught at the following schools:

Pasadena City College From January 30, 1962 to the present (8/19/63)

El Monte School District September, 1962 - January, 1963

Tri-Community Adult School Covina January, 1963 to the present (8/19/63)

School records further disclosed a notation in their files dated August 13, 1964, "Session of the Examining Committee took place at the Near Eastern Center on August 12, 1964. Committee included Professors Von Grunebaum, Kamshad, Moshe Pearlmann, Tomiche." This notation was signed by MOSHE PEARLMANN.

The records further disclosed that a diploma was mailed to ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS to his home address 460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California, on July 9, 1965, via registered mail and the return receipt disclosed that the mail was signed for by a MARGARET R. POMEROY.

Miss FOSGATE concluded that Dr. WOLF LESLAU is presently on leave from the university for six months and that he is scheduled to return in about two weeks from Ethiopia. She said that at that time he may be contacted in the Department of Near East Languages and Literature, telephone number 272-8911, extension 3589.

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PEARL CHO, Clerk, California State College, Los Angeles, Admissions and Records Section, advised that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was unknown to her, however, according to their records, he was a student admitted to the college in February, 1960, and has student number

At the time he was admitted to the school, he made application for the school to accept 80 units, however, the school only accepted 64 of his units. Their records disclosed that his date of birth is December 23, 1926, that he majored in English receiving a BA degree January 26, 1962.

She advised that other pertinent information regarding his records will have to be obtained from the Registrar because of an agreement made with the student body these records are confidential.

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DAVID A. ROBINSON, Assistant Director of Admissions, Foreign Students, University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, California, telephone number 746-2565, advised that he was unable to locate any records to disclose that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was ever a student at the school. He said their records cover both graduates and undergraduates.

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RONALD IRVING BARNCORD was interviewed in the vicinity of Brookhurst Avenue and Lincoln Avenue, Anaheim, California. BARNCORD advised that he was born January 22, 1950, Portland, Oregon, and had no fixed address at the present time. BARNCORD stated that his official address is carried as 2337 Northwest Wilson Street, Portland, Oregon. BARNCORD stated that he is unemployed except for money that he picks up keeping score at the Linbrook Bowling Alleys, Anaheim, California.

BARNCORD advised that he previously worked for the Kennedy Committee in Orange County, California, as a runner. BARNCORD stated that he worked in various sections of Orange County attempting to round up individuals to vote for KENNEDY in the primary. BARNCORD stated that he would be given an assignment by the Kennedy Committee Office to contact an individual and determine whether this individual was going to vote for KENNEDY in the primary. In connection with this job working for the Kennedy Committee, he bummed a ride to Los Angeles on the day that KENNEDY was assassinated at the Ambassador Hotel. He stated he entered the hotel and listened to the various speeches that were given. Then when KENNEDY, himself, was speaking, he left the main section of the ballroom and went around to the side of the stage and entered two large doors into what he recalls as being the kitchen area. When he got into this area KENNEDY was still speaking on the rostrum. BARNCORD advised that when he entered this area there were already three or four other individuals there. However, he does not recall the names of any of them nor does he know whether SIRHAN was present when he entered this area. He does recall seeing two or three dark skinned individuals who were either Mexicans or of some other Latin He stated that these two or three dark skinned individuals race. were approximately 5' 6" to 5' 9" and weighed somewhere in the vicinity of 140 to 150 pounds. BARNCORD stated that all three of these individuals had dark hair which was almost coal black in appearance.

BARNCORD advised that while KENNEDY was finishing his speech, he attempted to maneuver himself so that he could get a

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look at him and attempt to shake his hand if he came back through the kitchen to leave the hotel.

BARNCORD stated that shortly after he got to this kitchen area KENNEDY finished speaking and came back through the large doors that he, himself, had entered the kitchen area through. BARNCORD stated that he saw two or three individuals rush up to him and attempt to shake his hand. BARNCORD stated that he knows that two or three of the persons he saw get close to KENNEDY and attempt to shake his hand, were dark skinned individuals and although he only saw them from back, he thinks that one of the individuals that approached KENNEDY was SIRHAN SIRHAN. BARNCORD advised that he could not be sure that the individual he later saw a picture of in the newspaper and who was identified as SIRHAN, had gotten close enough to KENNEDY to shake his hand. He does know that there were three or four persons around KENNEDY when he heard a shot and saw KENNEDY fall to the floor. He stated he, himself, then tried to get out of the kitchen area because he did not want to get mixed up with the shooting. BARNCORD stated that he did not actually see SIRHAN, or anyone else shoot KENNEDY nor did he see any guns in the room either when he entered the room or later while he was standing around waiting for KENNEDY to appear.

BARNCORD advised that he had written a letter to the "Oregonian" a newspaper in Portland, Oregon, and stated, in the letter to this newspaper, that he had seen SIRHAN SIRHAN shake hands with KENNEDY shortly before he shot him. However, he stated now that he was not sure of this statement because he did not actually see the front part of the faces of the individuals near KENNEDY but just saw the backs of the persons heads. He does know that two or three of the individuals near KENNEDY at the time of the shooting, had shaken hands with him and that these individuals were dark skinned and black hair. He stated that he wanted the paper to print his letter stating that he had seen SIRHAN SIRHAN shake hands with KENNEDY because he felt that he could become famous if the letter was published in the paper.

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background information concerning himself:

Sex Race Nationality Birth Data Height Weight Hair Eyes Social Security No. Marital Status Relatives Male White American January 22, 1950, Portland, Oregon 6' 1" 155 pounds Brown Brown

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Single Father: RICHARD I. BARNCORD Mother: VIRGINIA M. BARNCORD

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On July 26, 1968, Mr. HIBBARD LAMPKIN, Security Representative, U.S. Department of State, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that his records fail to reflect any information concerning JOHN ANTOINE KHOURY who is employed in the Comptroller's O ffice of the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 W. Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. LAMPKIN advised that a check of the records of the P rotective Section, United States Secret Service, failed to reflect any information concerning KHOURY.

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On July 30, 1968, Mrs. EFFIE J. COOPER, Supervisory Clerk, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, California, made available the immigration file of JOHN ANTOTNE KHOURY, Alien Registration Number

A review of KHOURY's file reflects the following:

KHOURY's application for status as permanent resident, dated December 11, 1967, reflects that in 1967 KHOURY resided at 8710 Delgany Avenue, Apartment 31, Playa Del Rey, California. The file reflects that KHOURY was born December 9, 19h3 at Haifa, Palestine, and he is now a citizen of Lebanon. KHOURY arrived in the United States at Seattle, 'Tashington on December 30, 1966 as a student. KHOURY is married to AIRA I. KHOURY, nee HALONEN. As of March 14, 1968 KHOURY and his wife reside at 1944 North Beachwood Drive, Apartment 8, Hollywood, Cālifornia. KHOURY is described as a caucasion male, height 6'0", weight 155 pounds, eyes brown, hair brown. KHOURY's wife was born May 30, 1944 in Finland and she and KHOURY were married on July 14, 1967 in Las Vegas, Nevada. KHOURY's parents are listed as ANTOINE KHOURY, born Haifa, Palestine, 1916, residing in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and JANE KHOURY, BORN Haifa, Palestime, 1927, residing also in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

KHOURY's immigration file reflects that on January 8, 1968, he was arrested by the Los Angeles Police and charged with violation of section 187.3 California Penal Code (Grand Theft-Auto). No disposition is noted.

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