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her that the man with the gun was reaching over someone to point the gun, but she does not recall anyone in front of the man. She noted only that he was a small dark-complected man with dark hair. She did not notice him enough to be able to positively identify or recognize him again.

At about this time she was knocked down by the rush of the crowd and could not get up. She was afraid of getting crushed or shot and crawled back down the corridor or room to a partition leading into another adjoining room. While crawling into the room she recalled crawling past a man who was on her right and was lying on the floor very still. She thought he was dead and noted that he was covered with blood.

She finally sat down next to a Mr. GOLDSTEIN who had also been shot in the hip. She was sitting there when Mrs. ETHEL KENNEDY came into the room and spoke to GOLDSTEIN.

Miss SCHULTE advised that she could not identify the person she saw with the gun and who probably was the person who shot Mr. KENNEDY. She stated that there was so much noise and excitement that she never did really focus on the individual with her eyes. She did not see Mr. KENNEDY get hit, at least she did not know that he had been hit as she was knocked down or fell down soon after she heard the first shots.

She was later joined in the room, where she had taken refuge by DICK FRICK who was not previously with her in the hallway when Mr. KENNEDY was shot.

She concluded by stating that she could furnish no further information regarding the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY.

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1Date 10/21/68

SAUNDRA TAYLOR, 1211 $\frac{1}{2}$ North Commonwealth, Los Angeles California, advised she is employed by the Pacific Telephone Company in Los Angeles as an operator and that during the California campaign of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY for President, in the spring of 1968 in Los Angeles, she served as a "KENNEDY Girl".

She said that on the evening that Senator KENNEDY had been shot she had been at the Ambassador Hotel serving as a "KENNEDY Girl." She said she was on the opposite side of the room from the podium when KENNEDY entered the room and that she had left this position upon his entry and entered the lobby. While in the lobby, the shooting occurred and she stated the entire hotel was then thrown into utter pandemonium.

She said she could see nothing of the events taking place and heard nothing of any pertinence.

She stated that she had no further information relative to this matter.

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Date 9/19/68

ELAINE TROUPE, 5717 Santa Monica Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, supplied the following information:

TROUPE advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, she was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot.

TROUPE stated that she was in a downstairs room at the time of the shooting and was unaware that the Senator had been shot until a few minutes after it occurred. She stated that upon hearing that he had been shot, she went to the Central Receiving Hospital, but was denied admittance. She stated that she then went to the Good Samaritan Hospital where she heard that Senator KENNEDY was going to be transferred to that hospital. She stated that she subsequently was asked to leave the hospital area by Sheriff's deputies, which she did.

TROUPE stated that she does not recall seeing or hearing anything unusual prior to the assassination and that she could provide no information regarding this matter.

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CHARLES ALTANBACH, 4828 Shelly Place, Eagle Rock, California, advised that on June 4, 1968, he went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte, California, to do some target shooting.

ALTANBACH advised that the only person he recalled seeing at the range was his friend, GROVE MC CHESNEY. He stated that because he is over 75 years of age, he has a very poor memory and was unable to furnish any other information relative to occurrences at the range on that particular day.

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Date 9/26/68

CORLISS HELEN EDWARDS, 735 Donnabeth Street, West Covina, California, was interviewed at her residence and provided the following information:

On June 4, 1968, she and her boyfriend, GEORGE MIOCH, 14043 East Olive, Baldwin Park, California, went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte California. She stated that they were accompanied by her son, ROBERT EDWARDS, and MIOCH's daughter, MARA MIOCH, and drove to the range in MIOCH's 1963 silver blue, Lincoln convertible with a black top.

She stated that they went to the rifle range initially after arriving at the club at approximately 11 a.m. After firing a .22 caliber rifle on the rifle range for approximately one hour, they went to the pistol range in order to fire her .38 caliber Mauser automatic.

She said she recalled they occupied a position close to the middle of the firing positions along the line. She stated a short distance away they noticed a small dark-complexioned individual with dark wavy hair firing a small gun at a target set up a short distance in front of him. At this time photographs were shown to EDWARDS and she picked out a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number 45135, as being identical to the individual whom she saw and described as being at the range. EDWARDS said that she recalled SIRHAN was firing very rapidly during the time that they were on the range.

EDWARDS stated that prior to going to the pistol range she and MIOCH had engaged in a conversation about her automatic, and she recalled MIOCH saying something to the effect that she had better learn how to shoot the gun that day.

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EDWARDS stated that when she went to the range she was wearing purple capris and a purple velour top with a white turtle neck blouse underneath, white tennis shoes and a blond medium length wig, which she frequently wears. EDWARDS stated that to the best of her knowledge this was all the information she could provide in this matter.

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GEORGE STEPHEN MIOCH, 14043 East Olive, Baldwin Park, California, was interviewed at the residence of CORLISS EDWARDS, 735 Donnabeth, West Covina, California. MIOCH advised that on June 4, 1968, he and his girl friend, CORLISS EDWARDS, went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte, California. He stated that they were accompanied by his daughter, MARA MIOCH, and EDWARDS' son, ROBERT EDWARDS. He stated that they arrived at the gun club at approximately 11 a.m. They first went to the rifle range and fired a .22 caliber rifle and then went to the pistol range, which is adjacent to the rifle range at approximately 12:15 p.m. He stated they had a .38 caliber Mauser automatic belonging to EDWARDS, which they wanted to fire on the pistol range. He stated that to the best of his knowledge they were shooting around gun position No. 13. He stated that they noticed an individual firing at a gun position approximately ten to twenty feet from theirs. MIOCH stated that he would describe this individual as being of a small build, possibly of foreign extraction with dark hair and firing a very small handgun. He stated at one time, during the course of the time that they spent on the pistol range, he remembered another individual coming close to the previously described individual and asking him if he would move his car. MIOCH stated that he did not notice what kind of a car this individual had in the parking lot. He stated that this was the only conversation that he recalled the previously described individual having during the time that MIOCH's party was at the pistol range. At this time, MIOCH was shown a number of photographs including one of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number 495 139. MIOCH picked out a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number 495 139, as being identical to the individual whom he had seen on the pistol range at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club. MIOCH further advised that one thing that attracted them to notice SIRHAN was the fact that he was shooting very rapidly and shooting at a target that appeared to be a very short distance from him.

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MIOCH advised that prior to actually going to the pistol range, he and EDWARDS engaged in a discussion close to the range master's booth relative to the firing of the Mauser automatic. He stated that he made a comment to EDWARDS to the effect that she had better learn how to shoot that gun before tonight. MIOCH stated that he made this comment because he felt that EDWARDS needed to know how to shoot the gun for her own protection. He stated that he recalled that he made this statement in a rather harsh tone of voice.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/28/68

ED GUTHMAN, "Los Angeles Times," daily newspaper, advised that he was one of the officials who had arranged for news coverage of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's appearance at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on June 4 and 5, 1968. GUTHMAN stated that he was at the Ambassador Hotel the night of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, having dropped by to congratulate Senator KENNEDY on his primary victory.

GUTHMAN advised he had not observed SIRHAN SIRHAN prior to the assassination in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968. He had observed no suspicious activity in the hotel prior to the assassination.

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Date 8/16/68

MARY SIRHAN, 696 East Howard Street, advised that her son, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, had a savings account at the Lake Washington Office of the United States National Bank of San Diego, 1255 North Lake Street, Pasadena, California. She exhibited the passbook for this account, and a review of the passbook showed that the account number was 2386, and that MARY SIRHAN was the trustee for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The account was opened on March 18, 1960, with a \$10 deposit, and the only other deposit to this account was on May 28, 1960, in the amount of \$8. According to the passbook, this account was closed on January 31, 1964, at which time the balance was \$20.30 from the accumulation of interest.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that to her knowledge, this is the only bank account that her son, SIRHAN ever had. She doubted very seriously if he ever had another bank account, as he preferred to keep all of his money on his person.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that she never saw her son wearing white duck trousers, and to her knowledge he never owned such trousers. She stated the closest thing to white duck trousers that SIRHAN owned, were a pair of beige trousers.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that while SIRHAN was at Muir High School, he had a job where he watered the Von Carmon Estates, San Marino, California. During that period he also worked on a part-time basis for a man who did gardening work and house wrecking work. She does not know this man's name nor how he can be identified. At this time, she noted that while her son, SIRHAN, attended Pasadena City College, he did work for a very short time at a hamburger stand located somewhere in East Pasadena. She noted that he did not hold that job very long, and when he did work, he only worked for a few hours at a time.

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She stated that the only other employment she knows of that SIRHAN had, was working at a health store in Pasadena, and a Richfield Gas Station in East Pasadena, and race track employment at Santa Anita, and also at a farm in Corona, California.

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JUDY BRAND, 10323 Ocean Gate Avenue, telephone number 674-5615, was interviewed at her residence and provided the following information:

BRAND advised that she had been employed as a Kennedy Girl in order to work for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in his seeking the Presidential nomination. On June 4, 1968, BRAND stated that she was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, and was making preparations to leave the hotel when she stopped to shake hands with ALAN CRANSTON, the Democratic candidate for United States Senate, when someone rushed past her shouting, "KENNEDY has been shot." She stated that she was not close to the actual assassination and did not see any of the occurrences at that time. She said that eventually after the people were allowed to leave the hotel, she was taken to her home by a girlfriend.

BRAND stated that prior to the assassination, she was waiting, along with a large group of people, for the Senator to come down from his room and make his victory speech. She stated that she, along with several other Kennedy Girls, were lined up along a doorway corridor when she noticed an individual take up a position directly in front of her. She said she made a comment to an NBC newsman who was standing close to her, "look at this". She stated she made this statement because the Kennedy Girls had been given rather preferential treatment and were allowed to assume position in front of the crowd. BRAND stated that the newsman then asked this individual to move and the individual replied, "This won't take long." BRAND said that this individual left a short time thereafter and she did not pay any attention to where he went. She said that she described this individual as being of possible foreign extraction with dark trousers, light blue shirt and having bushy hair. She said that she could not say with any degree of certainty that this individual was identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN, but that she had noticed some characteristics of this individual as being similar to the description of SIRHAN.

On 9/5/68 at Inglewood, California File # Los Angeles 56-156-9-1349
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Mrs. GLADYS PERDOMO, 5246 East Florence, Bell, California, was interviewed and provided the following information:

PERDOMO advised that she resided at 691 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, for approximately six years prior to moving to the Florence Street address. She stated that this address of 691 East Howard was directly across the street from the residence occupied by the SIRHAN family. She stated as a result of this close proximity to the SIRHAN family, she became very well acquainted with the various members of the family during her time of residence at the Howard Street address.

She stated that on several occasions, she talked to SIRHAN SIRHAN but for the most part, these conversations were of a general nature. She stated that they never discussed politics nor did SIRHAN ever bring up political subjects as an item for discussion. She stated that she never heard SIRHAN mention anything about clubs or organizations either political or otherwise. She stated that they never discussed any minority groups or ethnic groups nor did she ever hear him say anything derogatory regarding races or religion.

PERDOMO stated that she attempted to discuss various passages from the Bible with SIRHAN, but that he had made it quite clear on several occasions that he did not want to discuss the Bible or have anything to do with religion.

PERDOMO further advised that she could describe SIRHAN only as a "loner" and during the entire time she knew him, she never knew him to have any close friends or girl friends.

PERDOMO stated in conclusion, that she could offer no further information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN and his activities.

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It was previously reported that SIRHAN ^{Date} had been a customer at Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra. A neighborhood investigation was conducted in that vicinity to determine if SIRHAN had been seen by other people in that locality. The following people were contacted, all with negative results:

Dr. BARRY BLEEK,
1 East Main Street,
Alhambra, California

CHARLES HILL
Hill's Hearing Aids
12 Garfield
Alhambra, California

F. D. TITUS
Titus Pharmacy
24 Garfield
Alhambra, California

R. A. ROWAN
Real Estate
2 West Main Street
Alhambra, California

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DAVID PHILLIPPS, Owner, Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra, California, provided the following information:

PHILLIPPS was shown a photograph of the SIRHAN family. PHILLIPPS stated that the photograph of MUNIR SIRHAN looked very much like the individual whom he had seen with SIRHAN SIRHAN in his place of business prior to the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. PHILLIPPS stated that he could not make a positive identification in this matter, but the photograph of MUNIR bears a strong resemblance to the individual as he recalls him.

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LENORA HOSTETTER, Waitress, Dave's Coffee Shop,
2 East Main Street, Alhambra, provided the following
information:

Upon being shown a photograph of the SIRHAN family, HOSTETTER advised that the photograph of SHARIF SIRHAN and MUNIR SIRHAN both looked familiar to her as being possibly the individual whom she had seen with SIRHAN SIRHAN in the coffee shop. HOSTETTER stated that the facial characteristics of MUNIR looked familiar, but she did not recall the individual who was with SIRHAN as wearing glasses. For this reason, she felt that SHARIF might possibly be the individual. HOSTETTER stated that she could not be positive regarding these identifications, but these were her feelings as best she can recall.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date October 22, 1968

YOSHIRA NIWA, 2877 Edgehill Drive, Los Angeles, California advised that he is employed as a pantryman at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles and was so employed on the morning of June 5, 1968. He stated that he was born on June 18, 1946 and has Social Security Number [REDACTED]

NIWA advised that shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968 he was in the main kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel when he heard what sounded to be several shots in the corridor adjoining the kitchen. He ran out to the corridor and encountered a wild melee. A large crowd of shouting and screaming men and women were pushing and shoving.

NIWA noticed the center of this confusion to be a young man, whom he later learned to be SIRHAN SIRHAN. SIRHAN was being held down on one of the portable steam tables by a large negro, whom he later learned to be ROOSEVELT GRIER, a member of the Los Angeles Rams Football Team. SIRHAN held a revolver in his right hand, which hand was being held by GRIER, with the arm fully extended pointed toward the ceiling.

NIWA ran to room service and told the room service captain to get a rope to tie up SIRHAN as NIWA had learned from people in the crowd that SIRHAN had just shot Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. NIWA then returned to the scene in the corridor. He helped to hold SIRHAN's right hand from which, by this time, the revolver had been removed.

SIRHAN was heard to say nothing by NIWA. SIRHAN was silent and had a fixed smile on his face. NIWA stated in his rage and excitement he struck SIRHAN on the right cheek with his fist.

Although the room service captain arrived with the rope SIRHAN was not bound because by this time the Los Angeles police had arrived and had taken SIRHAN into custody.

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Date 11/1/68

On October 25, 1968, Mr. FRANCIS DE BUDA was interviewed at his office at 8300 $\frac{1}{2}$ West 3rd Street, where he is self-employed as a consulting chemist, telephone number 653-4959.

Mr. DE BUDA advised as follows:

Early in 1968, probably about the middle of February he obtained an employee to assist him in his work through Employer's Clearing House located at Wilshire and La Brea streets, Los Angeles, California, telephone number WE 8-3785.

The employee obtained was a DONALD CLARK, who gave his address as 8464 Kirkwood Drive, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 654-2205.

CLARK worked only for two or three weeks and left his employment on the day Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING was killed, or within a day or so afterwards.

Upon hearing of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in Los Angeles in early June 1968, he recalled that CLARK had asked him during his employment as to whether he knew SIRHAN SIRHAN. He (DE BUDA) replied, "The only saran I know is Saran Wrap". The fact that SIRHAN SIRHAN is an Arab and he further recalled that CLARK, during the course of his employment had become aware that DE BUDA had a niece living in the Los Angeles area by the name of DAWN CHATTY, whose father is an Arab.

He also recalled hearing CLARK speak to someone on the telephone after asking him if he knew SIRHAN SIRHAN to the effect that he (DE BUDA) did not know him (SIRHAN SIRHAN).

DONALD CLARK indicated that he attended Oakland City College, Oakland, California, in about 1962 and

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and has studied pharmacy. He indicated he was hoping to obtain a pharmacy license in Los Angeles.

CLARK gave references indicating that he had been employed in several Beverly Hills area pharmacies. He checked out several of the pharmacies and verified he had been employed.

He considers CLARK to be a "CARMICHAEL type." CLARK claimed to have known HUEY NEWTON while living in Oakland; however, CLARK indicated he was against Black Power.

CLARK also claimed to frequent the Playboy Club on the Sunset Strip and indicated his wife either worked there or had worked there. CLARK indicated on one occasion he had been picked up by the Los Angeles Police Department "for woman trouble." He claimed three children as deductions on his income tax and had indicated they were living in Canada. He drove an old dark gray MG automobile.

Two of the prior employments indicated by CLARK were the Mickey Fine Pharmacy, 433 Roxbury, Beverly Hills, and the J. W. Ross Medical Center, 1828 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. DE BUDA described DONALD CLARK as follows: Negro male, 26 years of age, 6 feet, 180 pounds, smooth complexion, had extensive dental work, capped teeth.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/6/68

Miss CAMILLE A. WHITE, State of California Banking Department, 107 South Broadway, advised that she attended John Muir High School in Pasadena, California from 1960 through 1963.

She said that she did not personally know SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, although she learned through recent publicity that he had attended the same school. She advised that she does not know of any other former students or persons who may have been acquainted with SIRHAN.

She advised that she may have remarked to some of her current fellow employees and associates that she had gone to school with SIRHAN, and an inference may have been made that she had known him, however this is not true.

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1Date 11/8/68

Miss LINDA BOND, Room 3130, San Rafael Hall, University of California, Santa Barbara, telephonically contacted the writer at the Santa Barbara Resident Agency of the FBI and advised that she had been in the Ambassador Hotel ballroom attending the victory celebration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 4, and June 5, 1968 when Senator KENNEDY was shot. She stated that she was not in a position to see the incident or the assailant, and she could offer no first-hand information concerning the affair. She stated that she had been interviewed at length by the Los Angeles Police Department shortly after the crime, had furnished them all the information she had, and that she had not subsequently recalled any information which might be pertinent to this matter.

She stated that she is presently a student at the University of California, Santa Barbara and her home address is 5910 Kentland Avenue, Woodland Hills, California.

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Date 9/12/68

ALVIN CLARK, 280 Claremont, Pasadena, California, telephone number 794-7619, is employed by the city of Pasadena as refuse and rubbish collector.

CLARK collects in the Howard Street area of Pasadena. In 1967 to 1968, and in this connection, CLARK met with SIRHAN SIRHAN whose home was included on this route. CLARK was single at that time and the truck usually took its noontime break at Howard Street. The other two men remained at the truck. SIRHAN began talking to CLARK at first occasionally, and then more regularly. He would sometimes bring him drinks of lemonade or food and they would sit near by the truck and talk. They talked about matters of topical interest, usually events that had taken place in the news.

Sometime after the shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING, SIRHAN told CLARK, who is a black man, that he hated all the white people in this country and said he wished he could "Do something real bad that would hurt them all." At this particular time, SIRHAN noticing that CLARK was wearing a KENNEDY political button on his cap and a KENNEDY sticker on the truck, commented to CLARK about it, and CLARK said he was going to vote for Senator KENNEDY for president. SIRHAN allegedly said "What are you voting for that son of a bitch for?" CLARK said he liked him and felt that Senator KENNEDY was the only man who sincerely intended to help the black people of this country. At this, SIRHAN turned away in disgust and said "Well, I don't agree. I am planning on shooting the son of a bitch." CLARK said he did not take SIRHAN seriously and took the remark only as a mark of strong disfavor and exaggeration.

Now later in 1967, CLARK said he had conversation with SIRHAN about hunting and about firearms. During one such conversation, CLARK said SIRHAN asked him where he might

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buy or obtain a weapon higher in caliber than his .22 pistol. CLARK said he could offer no suggestions. CLARK did not associate SIRHAN's interest in weapons with his remarks about intending to shoot Senator KENNEDY as significant, since the two conversations were months apart and SIRHAN talked of many things, and was prone to exaggeration.

CLARK said he would be willing to testify, but he would not want to "take the oath" because he hated SIRHAN so much that he would do anything to see him convicted. In the light of this comment, CLARK was asked if his reported statements of SIRHAN's threat against Senator KENNEDY were true. He said it was true and would testify to this effect if called upon.

Date 10/4/681

Mr. BERT SPISZMAN, 5921 Simpson Avenue, North Hollywood, California, telephone number 877-8394, employed as a teacher of History and Science at the Thomas Starr King Junior High School, 4201 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 664-1176, advised the following:

Mr. SPISZMAN said he had attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968. Following the conclusion of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech in the Embassy Room of this hotel at approximately 12:15 a.m., on June 5, 1968, Mr. SPISZMAN observed Senator KENNEDY and a group of persons following him leave the stage and move into a corridor leading towards the kitchen. Mr. SPISZMAN at the time was standing in a small anteroom at the rear of the stage and adjacent to the corridor. He at this point heard some noises which sounded to him as if they were exposed electrical circuits popping. His impression was that perhaps some of the television cables had broken. He then heard the considerable noise and confusion coming from the kitchen area and people began screaming, and he saw one woman coming back towards the Embassy Room area who had blood on her forehead. He began to learn from people around him that there had been some shooting, however, he did not observe the shooting and he at this point went back into the entrance of the Embassy Room where he attempted to quiet some of the people who were beginning to become hysterical. He never did go into the kitchen area and consequently did not see anything that occurred there. He said that he did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN or any of the victims of the shooting with the possible exception that the woman with the blood on her head could have been one of the victims of the shooting but he was not aware of her identity or if this was a fact.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mr. SPISZMAN who remarked that he had no recollection of seeing any of these persons in the photographs at any time.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/8/68

Mr. JOSEPH A. LA HIVE, 4055 Tujunga Avenue, Studio City, California, Apartment 305, telephone 985-4681, advised the following:

Mr. LA HIVE, who does sales promotion work for the Jim Beam Liquor Distributing Company of Chicago, Illinois, and whose local business address is in care of Taylor Food Products, 1910 East Imperial Highway, El Segundo, California, telephone 772-4308, said that he was also President of the Democratic Club in Van Nuys, California.

A copy of an 8" by 10" photograph showing Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, his aide, WILLIAM BARRY, and two youths, taken during late March of 1968 at the Los Angeles International Airport by Photographer STEVE SCHAPIRO of New York, was exhibited to Mr. LA HIVE. This photograph had been furnished to the FBI by HUGH J. MC DONALD, former Assistant Press Secretary to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, on August 5, 1968.

Mr. LA HIVE said that he did not recognize either of the two youths in question, nor did he have any recollection of the youths in the photograph and could furnish no information which might lead him to identifying them.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/9/68

Mrs. ESTELYN DUFFY LA HIVE, also known as Mrs. Joseph A. La Hive, 4055 Tujunga Avenue, Apartment 305, Studio City, California, telephone 985-4681, furnished the following information:

Mrs. LA HIVE, who, with her husband, had been active in the Democratic Club in Van Nuys, California, of which her husband was President, was shown an 8" by 10" photograph depicting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY; an aide, WILLIAM BARRY; and two youths. This picture was furnished to the FBI on August 5, 1968, by HUGH J. MC DONALD, former Assistant Press Secretary of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. It was reportedly taken in late March, 1968 by STEVE SCHAPIRO, a New York photographer, at the Los Angeles International Airport when Senator KENNEDY was returning from one of his campaign tours.

Mrs. LA HIVE said that she did not recognize the two youths in the photograph as anyone she had ever seen. She suggested that Mrs. EMMA WELLER, 4825 Willowcrest Avenue, North Hollywood, California, who had been in charge of the San Fernando Valley main headquarters of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's campaign for President. Mrs. WELLER was familiar with many persons supporting Senator KENNEDY in that area.

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Date 10/9/68

Mrs. EMMA WELLER, also known as Mrs. Gerald Weller, 4825 Willowcrest Avenue, North Hollywood, California, advised the following:

Mrs. WELLER said that during the recent campaign of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY for President, she had been in charge of the San Fernando Valley headquarters of the Senator's campaign at 12444 Victory Boulevard in Van Nuys, California, and was familiar with a number of people who had frequented the campaign headquarters for Senator KENNEDY in this area.

An 8" by 10" photograph, showing Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY; an aide, WILLIAM BARRY; and two youths, furnished to the FBI by HUGH J. MC DONALD, former Assistant Press Secretary to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, on August 5th 1968 was shown to her. It was reportedly taken during late March of 1968 by STEVE SCHAPIRO, a New York photographer, at the Los Angeles International Airport at the time of Senator KENNEDY's return from one of his campaign tours in California.

Mrs. WELLER said that she cannot identify the two youths in the photograph and had no recollection of ever having seen the youths' pictured in the past.

Mrs. WELLER said that she had attended the Senator ROBERT KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968. At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, she had been standing in the Embassy Room near the bandstand and had not been a witness to the shooting.

Mrs. WELLER said that after the shooting, she had seen some uniformed police officers escorting a young man from the kitchen area through the Embassy Room to the outside who she thought was possibly the suspect SIRHAN SIRHAN. She based this opinion on newspaper and television photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN she later observed.

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Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mrs. WELLER. She said she had no recollection of seeing any of the individuals in the photographs with the possible exception of SIRHAN SIRHAN, which closely resembled the individual she mentioned above, who was being removed from the kitchen area of the Ambassador Hotel through the Embassy Room shortly after the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 11/12/68

JOHN DIGMAN, 1600 North Bronson Avenue, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 11, employed as a Sound Technician, ABC-TV News, 4151 Prospect Avenue, Los Angeles, California, residence phone No. HO 5-2274, advised the following when phoned for an appointment.

Mr. DIGMAN at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was not on duty at the Ambassador Hotel, but was at home. He was called out later for duty during news coverage at the Central Receiving Hospital. Consequently, he had no personal knowledge of the events surrounding the shooting nor did he have any information considered pertinent in this matter.

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Date 10/22/68

Mr. GRANT HOLCOMB, Manager, News Division of Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) owned KNXT-Channel 2, 6121 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised the following with respect to a request to interview three employees of the KNXT News Department:

Mr. HOLCOMB was advised that the employees had reportedly been present at the Ambassador Hotel on the morning of June 5, 1968, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. The purpose was to ascertain if the employees might be potential witnesses to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. The employees were ELIZABETH HERMAN, Junior News Writer; JOE DYER, former Reporter, now in the Community Relations Department; and JIM BROWN, News Reporter. It was mentioned that JOE DYER had already been contacted and had mentioned a new policy in effect with respect to government investigators interviewing CBS personnel.

Mr. HOLCOMB said in substance that the new policy required that if, in the opinion of the Legal Department of CBS, the CBS employee should be made available for interview by government investigators, the latter would have to secure and serve a subpoena on the employee before the employee could be interviewed.

Mr. HOLCOMB said the decision for adapting this policy had originated in the CBS headquarters in New York City, and he did not know the full details on which the policy was formulated.

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Date 9/19/68

Mr. ERNEST VALLERO, Job Dispatcher, Southern California Waiters Alliance, Local 17, American Federation of Labor (AFL) - Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO), 321 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone HU 2-9800, advised as follows:

Approximately two to three weeks prior to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968, a man personally appeared at Local 17 and asked Mr. VALLERO for a placement as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. This man very closely resembled photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, which Mr. VALLERO had observed on television and in the newspapers following SIRHAN SIRHAN being charged with the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mr. VALLERO recalled that the person in question was very insistent and became rather "nasty" in his speech when informed by Mr. VALLERO that there were no openings for waiters at the Ambassador Hotel at the time. He also recalled that the man in question presented a small blue book which was entitled "Passport" and noted that it was an Israel passport. Mr. VALLERO did not recall the name on the passport or the name used by the man in question and no record was made of the call of this man to the office. Mr. VALLERO said that the man appeared to be possibly of Arabian or Jewish descent and had a slight accent and had claimed to have been in the United States for about one year.

Mr. VALLERO said that he had thought about the incident following the identity of SIRHAN SIRHAN as the accused killer of Senator KENNEDY and had related the same story to the Police Department in Los Angeles and to some reporters in the news media.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mr. VALLERO. The latter said that he more firmly believed that the person described above, who had been

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seeking a job at the Ambassador Hotel, was SIRHAN SIRHAN but he had no further means of confirming this belief. He alone had interviewed the man in question who had just walked into Local 17 at the time.

Mr. VALIERO said that none of the photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN's family appeared familiar with any individuals that he had encountered.

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Date 10/22/68

Mr. JOE DYER employed by KNXT-Channel 2, Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) owned, News Division, 6121 Sunset Boulevard, advised the following:

Mr. DYER, who is currently employed in the Community Relations Department, said that at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on June 5, 1968, he had been assigned as a photographer by KNXT-News and had been at the Ambassador Hotel in the Embassy Room at the time of the shooting.

Mr. DYER said that he had not been a witness to the actual shooting of Senator KENNEDY and others nor was he in a position to observe the immediate aftermath, as he had been in the Embassy Room during this period.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and of the latter's family were exhibited to Mr. DYER, who said he had no recollection of having seen any of the persons in the photographs at any time.

Mr. DYER advised that CBS had instigated a new policy concerning the interviewing of CBS personnel by government investigators. In substance, this policy requires that the employee, when approached, notify his department head, and the question resolved as to whether the employee should be interviewed, and if the employee was to be a potential witness, a subpoena would be required before any ~~interview~~ information was given.

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Date 10/15/68

KATHLEEN RYAN, a student at Immaculate Heart College, 2021 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, residence 1827 Garfield Place, Apartment 108, Los Angeles, advised the following:

Miss RYAN said that she had done local precinct work campaigning for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and was known as one of the Kennedy Girls as a result. She attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968. She spent a good part of the evening in the room on the first floor below the Embassy Room and left the hotel at approximately 11:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968, as she had to meet the curfew time at her school. She watched the aftermath of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY on television during the early morning of June 5, 1968.

Miss RYAN claimed that she had not been registered in the Ambassador Hotel as a guest at the time but had signed a list of Kennedy Girls, who were on duty at the hotel on June 4, 1968.

Photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Miss RYAN, who said she had no recollection of having ever seen the persons pictured in the photograph at any time.

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Date 11/20/68

JOHN PILGER, Writer for the London, England, "London Daily Mirror", who works out of the New York Office of this publication, 220 East 42nd Street, New York, New York, was interviewed at his hotel, The Beverly Carlton, 9400 West Olympic Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, telephone 275-5221.

Mr. PILGER said at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, Mr. PILGER was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, standing near the podium. He never did get into the kitchen area where the shooting took place, consequently he did not witness the shooting or the immediate aftermath. He had no recollection of seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time.

Mr. PILGER said he had been with HARRY BENSON, Photographer, who did work for the Black Star Publishing Company, New York City, New York. He thought the FBI had already interviewed Mr. BENSON.

Mr. PILGER, by phone, November 7, 1968, advised that GEORGE GALE of the "London Daily Mirror" had also been at the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. GALE is based in London, but has been recently in the United States. He is thought to have just recently returned to London. The New York Office of the "London Daily Mirror" could advise if GALE is still in the United States and his whereabouts. Mr. PILGER did not know if Mr. GALE had been interviewed by the FBI or not. Mr. PILGER added he had, in substance, furnished the above information to the Los Angeles Police Department.

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10/9/68

Date _____

Mrs. ESTELYN LA HIVE, also known as Mrs. JOSEPH A. LA HIVE, 4055 Tujunga Avenue, Apartment 305, Studio City, California, telephone 985-4681, advised the following:

On the evening of June 4, 1968, and the early morning of June 5, 1968, Mrs. LA HIVE had been at the Ambassador Hotel during the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party. Mrs. LA HIVE was not married to Mr. LA HIVE at the time and her maiden name was ESTELYN DUFFY.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, at around 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968, Mr. and Mrs. LA HIVE were standing in a corridor, a sort of anteroom, behind the stage where Senator KENNEDY was speaking. When the speech was finished, the Senator and his party left the stage and passed through the swinging doors into the kitchen area. Mr. and Mrs. LA HIVE then started to follow the KENNEDY party toward the kitchen area. Just before they reached the swinging door area, she heard some popping noises which at first she did not realize were gunshots. There were two or three shots, then a slight pause, then several more shots.

Mr. LA HIVE at this point voiced the opinion that it was gunfire they had heard and immediately ran into the kitchen area to investigate. Mrs. LA HIVE stayed in the anteroom and did not observe any of the immediate aftermath in the kitchen. She saw one woman come running out of the kitchen who had blood on her forehead and soon became aware, after all the screams and confusion, that there had been a shooting and that the Senator had been shot, as well as several other persons.

Mrs. LA HIVE stated that she and her husband had entered the Embassy Room, shortly before the Senator KENNEDY speech, through the kitchen area, and that she had noted there were several people in the kitchen area at the time of her entry whom she felt were employees of the hotel. She had no recollection of seeing the suspect, SIRHAN SIRHAN, in the kitchen at that time or of ever having seen him prior to the time he was apprehended and removed from the area by the police.

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Mrs. LA HIVE, following examination of photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family, stated she had no recollection of seeing any of the persons in the photographs at any time, with the exception of SIRHAN SIRHAN when he was removed from the hotel following his arrest.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/8/68

Mr. JOSEPH A. LA HIVE, 4055 Tujunga Avenue, Studio City, California, Apartment 305, telephone 985-4681, advised the following:

Mr. LA HIVE, who does sales promotion work for the Jim Beam Liquor Distributing Company of Chicago, Illinois, and whose local business address is in care of Taylor Food Products, 1910 East Imperial Highway, El Segundo, California, telephone 772-4308, said that he was also President of the Democratic Club in Van Nuys, California.

With respect to the investigation of SIRHAN SIRHAN, charged with shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, Mr. LA HIVE said that there was a warehouse employee at the Western Distributing Company, 2440 East 38th Street, Los Angeles, telephone 583-8761, who had related to him about a month previous that SIRHAN SIRHAN had a close friend, a waiter. This friend reportedly was employed by the Fiore D'Italia Restaurant, 14928 Ventura Boulevard, Sherman Oaks, California, telephone 783-9074.

The warehouse employee's name Mr. LA HIVE could not recall specifically but he had the phonetic name of TONY MUMO. This individual is known as a friend of TONY MARCELLA, who also works in some sort of supervisory capacity in the Western Distributing Company. He can identify TONY MUMO (phonetic).

Mr. LA HIVE had no further details concerning the reported friend of SIRHAN SIRHAN or the source of the information.

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10/8/68

Mr. JOSEPH A. LA HIVE, 4055 Tujunga Avenue, ^{Date} _____
 Apartment 305, Studio City, California, telephone 985-4681,
 advised the following:

Mr. LA HIVE, President of the Van Nuys Democratic Club, attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party and speech on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. At approximately 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968 when Senator KENNEDY finished his speech in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Mr. LA HIVE and Miss ESTELYN DUFFY, now Mrs. JOSEPH A. LA HIVE, were standing in a corridor behind the stage area, a sort of anteroom. Senator KENNEDY left the stage area and passed on Mr. LA HIVE's left, followed by his party and proceeded through the swinging doors into the kitchen area.

Mr. LA HIVE and Miss DUFFY started to follow the Senator and just about this time, Mr. LA HIVE heard what sounded to him like gunfire, six or seven shots coming from the kitchen area. Mr. LA HIVE left Miss DUFFY and rushed to the kitchen. A woman with blood running down the middle of her forehead rushed out of the kitchen area toward Mr. LA HIVE. He noted panic and screams from the people in the kitchen.

LA HIVE at this point observed a man lying on the floor who appeared to be shot through the head. He later learned that this man was PAUL SCHRADER. There appeared to be another man lying on the floor who was not known to Mr. LA HIVE. He then saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor and noted that blood was coming from a wound at the right ear. He then observed a struggle going on between some men and noted that ROSIE GRIER, a member of the Senator KENNEDY party, was headed toward the struggling group and LA HIVE followed GRIER. At this point, he saw a gun on a table with about six men's hands and arms struggling for possession of it. It was noted that a finger was still in the trigger guard and LA HIVE stepped in to grab the gun and got hold of the barrel of the gun. ROSIE GRIER had grabbed the suspect and GRIER had placed his body on top of the suspect, who had hold of the gun. At this point, RAFAEL JOHNSON, member of the Senator KENNEDY party, arrived and ROSIE GRIER, at Mr. LA HIVE's suggestion,

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released the gun which had been taken out of the suspect's hand. Mr. LA HIVE at this point grabbed the suspect's left leg and threw a leg lock hold on it until the police arrived five or six minutes later. There was considerable buffeting around in trying to transfer the suspect to the police and protect him from people who were shouting, "kill him" and similar remarks. Only one suspect was observed by Mr. LA HIVE.

Mr. LA HIVE stated that he had some small cuts on his face and some blood on his suit and face, but he did not know exactly how they got there.

Mr. LA HIVE at this point returned to the anteroom area near the entrance to the Embassy Room to join Miss DUFFY, who had not proceeded to the kitchen with Mr. LA HIVE.

Mr. LA HIVE recalled he and Miss DUFFY, when they arrived at the Embassy Room shortly before the Senator KENNEDY speech, were unable to get in through the front entrance of the Embassy Room so they went to the rear and came in through the same kitchen area where Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Mr. LA HIVE said that there were a number of people in the kitchen at the time whom he thought were probably employees of the hotel, but made no particular note of them and had no recollection of having seen the suspect, later identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN, in the kitchen at that time. The only time he recalls seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN was at the time of the shooting as described above.

Mr. LA HIVE related that following the removal of SIRHAN SIRHAN from the Ambassador Hotel by the police, a number of newscasters had interviewed him in the vicinity of the Embassy Room at which time he related in substance the same story which he had furnished the police and the FBI with respect to his recollection of the incident surrounding the KENNEDY shooting. He thinks that newscasters for the

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National Broadcasting Company, the American Broadcasting Company, and KTLA, Channel 5, Los Angeles, were among the television newscasters who had interviewed him at the time.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, as well as members of his family, were exhibited to Mr. LA HIVE who said that he had no recollection of ever having seen any of the individuals in the photographs at any time with the exception of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/22/68

Mr. JACK W. MC GRATH, 829 North Vendome Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone 661-5836, related the following:

Mr. MC GRATH, who was a student at San Fernando State College, Northridge, California, during the early part of 1968, is currently employed as a campaign worker for Congressman JIM (JAMES) CORMAN, 904½ Woodley Avenue, Sepulveda, California.

On the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968, Mr. MC GRATH had attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, Mr. MC GRATH was in a corner of the Embassy Room and did not witness any of the shooting nor did he see SIRHAN SIRHAN.

Mr. MC GRATH said that he had been interviewed by the Los Angeles Police Department as a potential witness subsequent to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 11/8/68

On November 7, 1968, SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN was contacted at his residence, 1659 North Lake Avenue, Pasadena, California. Also present at this time was his brother, SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN, who shares a flat with him at this address and Mr. ANTHONY SHERMAN, JR., a representative of the United States Secret Service Agency, Los Angeles branch.

SIRHAN was advised by SA POWELL that the inquiry related to the authorship of a two-page written document addressed to President Elect RICHARD NIXON and Vice President HUBERT HUMPHREY, bearing the signature SHARIF B. SIRHAN. Mr. SIRHAN was then orally advised of his rights by SAs POWELL and REILLY. He was asked by SA REILLY to read an Advice of Rights Form. Mr. SIRHAN interrupted this to say, "Before I say anything, I want to see the letter." A copy of the above mentioned letter was given to him to read. He read it slowly, line by line, his hands visibly shaking, although he showed no other signs of emotion.

Mr. SIRHAN then said, "I did not write this. It is not mine." He then indicated he was certainly in agreement with some of the political statements contained in the letter and had himself expressed some of these ideas, but he would not specify which of these points he was referring to. He stated he also disagreed with some of the points in the letter.

Mr. SIRHAN said he had no knowledge as to who the author of the letter could be. He said he did not dictate the letter to anyone or cause it to be written in his name. He denied that the signature at the end of the letter was his and added that the signature appearing on the letter was not a good copy or facsimile of his own. In this connection, he said he sometimes signs himself SHARIF B. SIRHAN, sometimes SHARIF SIRHAN.

Mr. SIRHAN declined to furnish a signed statement attesting that the letter and signature were not his. He refused to furnish any samples of his signature, stating,

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"You have my signature and you have your experts. See to it yourself!"

Mr. SIRHAN said he did not have a typewriter in the flat, but added there was a typewriter in his mother's home in the room formerly occupied by his brother, SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. He said he did not know what kind of a typewriter this was, and described it by dimensions as being a standard size typewriter. He indicated that he did not use it.

Mr. SIRHAN said he does not know about any such organization in the United States as "the Palestine Commandos" but was certain there were many of this type in his homeland.

Mr. SIRHAN said the lines drawn at the bottom of page two of the letter beneath his signature have no significance to him as Arabic or other type of symbol and could not comment on them.

Mr. SIRHAN said, "No" to the question of whether he had any reason to believe the letter in question could have been written by another member of his family or anyone of his acquaintance.

Mr. SIRHAN turned to the contents of the letter and said the thoughts expressed in the letter could be the thoughts of a majority of persons living in the United States. He then with some emotion bitterly described the manner in which he had been treated since the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He spoke of people "staring at him everywhere he went", of people coming to his home and asking him questions. He said "They say my brother killed him. Why do they have to come to me with all their questions. I didn't kill him." At this point Mr. SIRHAN was reminded of the purpose of the interview and the reasons therefor, but he appeared upset and said he had nothing to add on this matter and the interview was terminated.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/30/68

MARVIN BYRON, co-owner of Byron Bail Bond Agency, 954 North Vignes Avenue, advised he had been told that an Agent of the FBI had attempted to contact him through the main office of his agency, The California Association of Bail Agents, in Martinez, California. It was his understanding that he was being sought for an interview in connection with the assassination of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mr. BYRON explained that on the night of June 4-5, 1968, he was, in fact, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. He stated that he was nowhere in the vicinity of the kitchen area in the hotel; did not see the late Senator KENNEDY that night, and could furnish no information which would be of assistance in this investigation.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/9/68

On October 8, 1968, RICHARD COLEMAN, 20656 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, California (phone 456-6346) (business telephone 626-7611), was interviewed regarding any possible information he might have pertaining to the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

Mr. COLEMAN advised he was dining at the Chancellor Hotel in Los Angeles, California, at the time of the shooting. He stated that he learned of the shooting while observing a television which was in the dining area. COLEMAN stated that he returned to the Ambassador Hotel in an effort to learn of the condition of KENNEDY, however, due to the mass confusion at the hotel he was unable to learn anything regarding the Senator's condition and he learned that the Senator had been removed from the hotel.

COLEMAN stated that he never saw the man who was identified as SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and that SIRHAN had also been removed from the hotel by the time he arrived.

COLEMAN stated that at approximately 3:00 a.m. the morning of the shooting he went to his home.

COLEMAN stated that he had worked for the Senator as an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice and he was extremely upset upon learning of the shooting.

COLEMAN advised that he had no other information pertaining to shooting.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/16/68

On October 14, 1968, MIKE MOON, 909 Mountain View Terrace, Alhambra, California, advised that from March 1967 to August 1967, he took music lessons in the use of the Oud instrument from ADEL SIRHAN, brother of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

NOON stated that he took his instrument lessons in the SIRHAN home and on several occasions he saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. He stated that he seldom spoke with SIRHAN SIRHAN and most of the SIRHAN family stayed away from the portion of the house in which the lesson was being given. NOON stated that his conversations with SIRHAN SIRHAN were usually restricted to a mutual "hello" upon his arrival for a lesson with ADEL SIRHAN.

NOON stated that he did not know SIRHAN SIRHAN well, and he described SIRHAN SIRHAN as a person who kept to himself and was quiet most of the time. NOON stated that on a few occasions SIRHAN SIRHAN voiced his opinion that the Government in the United States made the rich people richer and the poor people poorer. NOON further stated that SIRHAN SIRHAN appeared to possess an intense pride in his Arab heritage.

NOON stated that he never heard SIRHAN SIRHAN mention violence and he was very shocked to learn of SIRHAN's arrest for the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. NOON stated that he cannot help but believe that SIRHAN SIRHAN was suffering from some type of mental disorder at the time of the shooting.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/19/63

RONALD ALLEN NORMAN, 17102 Adlon Road, Encino, California, telephone ST 3-3949, was interviewed at this location and furnished the following information:

He is a third year student at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Between 3:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on June 4, 1963, he and an acquaintance, HARVEY PEPPER, 612 North Kings Road, Los Angeles, arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, to attend a celebration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. NORMAN and PEPPER wandered around the hotel looking for "famous persons" until approximately 11:30 p.m., at which time they met an acquaintance, SUE HARRIS, who had been acting as a press secretary for Senator KENNEDY's campaign in Southern California. HARRIS provided NORMAN and PEPPER with press passes and suggested that if they wanted to see Senator KENNEDY, they could wait in the press room located behind the speakers' platform in the Embassy Room, since the Senator was expected to pass through this location following his address.

NORMAN and PEPPER then proceeded to this press room where thirty to forty news media representatives had gathered to await the completion of Senator KENNEDY's address. NORMAN recalled that following his address, Senator KENNEDY proceeded directly through a passage behind the speakers' platform to a corridor leading to the kitchen area. As NORMAN proceeded from the press room to this corridor, he heard screams coming from the kitchen area. He definitely did not hear any shots fired, or any sounds which he would have interpreted as such. NORMAN and PEPPER then rushed into the kitchen area, where they were told that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. NORMAN recalled that approximately seventy five persons had already gathered in the kitchen area and that Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor. The area became quite noisy and congested as people continued to gather at this location. NORMAN did not observe anyone who appeared as though he may have been responsible for the shooting.

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NORMAN and PEPPER remained in the kitchen area for approximately five minutes, after which they proceeded to a room at the hotel occupied by SUE HARRIS. HARRIS, who had been packing for her travel to Chicago with the Kennedy campaign party, had already heard about the shooting on the television. NORMAN and PEPPER remained in HARRIS' hotel room for fifteen to twenty minutes, and then left the hotel at approximately 12:45 a.m., June 5, 1968.

NORMAN was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, including a photograph of this individual taken June 5, 1968, by the Los Angeles Police Department. After viewing these photographs, NORMAN advised that he did not observe anyone resembling this individual at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4-5, 1968, or anywhere else prior to these dates. NORMAN was also shown photographs of ADEL SIRHAN, SHARIF SIRHAN, SAIDALLAH SIRHAN, and MUNIR SIRHAN, and after viewing same, advised that to the best of his knowledge, he has never observed any of the individuals depicted in these photographs.

NORMAN advised that PEPPER has never indicated to him that he (PEPPER) observed someone at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968, or June 5, 1968, who resembled SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. NORMAN noted that he was with PEPPER virtually the entire evening of June 4, 1968, and that he did not himself observe anyone resembling photographs he has seen of this individual. NORMAN then volunteered that PEPPER is a "notorious story teller" who frequently fabricates or exaggerates his observations or experiences. NORMAN further described PEPPER as an individual who seeks attention. As an illustration, NORMAN recalled a recent incident in which PEPPER, while visiting Las Vegas, was mistaken for a Hollywood celebrity and, for several days, assumed the identity of this celebrity to the extent of accepting free room, board, and publicity from a Las Vegas hotel.

NORMAN was unable to furnish any additional information regarding the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.