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INTERVIEWS - JUNE 5, 1968 KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521 466 12:15 A.M. OCC.

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<u>6-5-68 11:30 A.M.</u> (V.O. Sorensen #7032, Ramp Dets) Interviewed Mr. Virginia Teresi, age 20, 714 3/4 N. St. Andrews Pl. She stated Monday, 6-3-68, between 3PM/4:30PM, she went to her vehicle, that was parked on Melrose, North curb, headed West; approx. 100 ft. East of St. Andrews Pl. She proceeded WB to St. Andrews Place, in the curb lane and had to stop for a vehicle at the curb, by a mailbox. She described the vehicle and suspects as follows:

VEH: 60/64 Ford, 2DR, Baby blue, large dent in rear above license plate; No '68 license tag on Calif. plate.
1) DRIVER: M C 25/28, lt brn hair, lt. goatee, approx. 7 days old, Very thick eyebrows, deep sounding voice, wearing a suit jacket, dark blue or black; sport shirt unknown color.

2) PASSENGER: M C 24, Short Dk brn hair, wearing Dk. Jkt.; Possibly brown; it had a white 4" round emblem sewed on left sleeve, midway between the elbow and shoulder.

3) STANDING OUTSIDE RIGHT DOOR OF VEHICLE, LEANING IN: M Possible Latin descent, 27/31, 5'5", to 5'6", Very slender, thick dark bushy hair, long jaw,

high cheekbones, white dress shirt, tie around neck-not tied; Dark suit pants, had what appeared to be

a small gun in waistband; spoke with an accent. She stated she pulled to the left of the above vehicle, and stopped alongside of it, approx. a minute and a-half. All of the

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Interview of Mrs. Virginia Teresi 6-5-68, 11:30 a.m. (continued)

windows of the vehicle were rolled down and so was the passenger window of her vegicle. She overheard the driver (#1)say to person on the outside (#3), "Get your ass in the car", and "We have to get him tonight". She heard #3 say "I don't want to, I'm afraid". She said #3 spoke with a foreigh accent. She heard <u>Kennedy's name</u> mentioned and also heard <u>Wilshire</u> mentioned. She could not say who mentioned the above names as she started forward to make a right turn NB on St. Andrews Place. While stopped alongside the vehicle she saw about 8" of a riflebarrel, protruding from a green blanket in the rear seat of the vehicle. There was a large bundle of clothing in the rear seat. She was shown a picture of Sirhan Sirhan, and said he was the same person #3, she saw standing alongside the vehicle. She said this was definately the same person."

V. O. SORENSEN #7032, Ramp-Dets.



<u>1</u> IA 56-156 RJL/pjc

On July 24, 1968, Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, Los Angeles Police Department, made available the following typed statement of JAMES J. THORNBROGH, which was obtained on July 23, 1968:

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INTERVIEW OF JAMES J. THORNBRUGH

JULY 18, 1968 TAPE # 29315

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1 2	INTERVIEW TAKEN IN I	r of Tape Recorded of James J. Thornbrugh Poly "A" Parker Center 1968, 11:55 A.M.
3	QUESTIONE	D BY: LT. ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ #7101, S.U.S. 2D BY: IRENE MEEK, I.A.D.
4 5	(*) INDIC	ATES UNINTELLIGIBLE CONVERSATION
× .6	÷ , Q	BY LT. HERNANDEZ: must be allergic to that
7	thing, the	s smell or something.
8	Ά.,	It was pretty strong. This doesn't look like an
9	electric	chair like I figured it would.
.10	Q	No, you won't feel any pain or discomfort whatso-
11	aver. We	11, let's see, first of all before I get into the
12	procedure	in here, I'll ask you some information about your-
13	self.	
14	<b>A</b> :	Where's that echo coming from anyway?
.15	Q	In the room?
-16	A	Yeah, sounds strange.
17	Q	Just a (*) broom, I guess.
.18	· A	Must be.
19	Q	How do you spell your last name?
20	A	T-h-o-r-n-b-r-u-g-h.
21	Q	b-r
22	λ	U
.23	. <b>Q</b>	u-g-h.
.24	Ά	Right.
25	Q	And your first name?
26	.Α.	James J.

1	Q	Okay, and where do youwhere do you live now?
2	A	15845 Harvest Moon.
3	Q	15845 Harvest
4	A	It's two words.
5	Q	Moon. Do you work now?
6	A	No, I'm a student.
7	Q	You're a student. And how old are you?
8	A	Twenty-six.
9	Q	And where were you born?
10	λ	Alhambra, California. I guess that's local enough.
11	Q	Do you drive a car?
12	A	Oh, yeah.
13	Q	Whatwhat kind of car?
4	Ά	Sixty-eight Datsun.
.5	a Q	Are you married?
6	A	Yes.
17	Q	Do you have any children?
18	A	One,
19	Q	Boy or girl?
20	А	Girl. Be four years old the 22nd of August.
21	Q	And your wife's first name?
22	λ	Luella. L-u-e
23	Q	L-u-e
24	A	1-1-a.
25	Q	Do you live with your wife now?
26	А	Yes, uh huh.

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3 Have you had occasion to see a doctor in the last 1 Q 30 days for any reason? 2 A No. 3 You are in good health as far as you know? 4 Q 5 A Oh, not really. 6 Q Are you taking any medicine? Not--well, yes, I'm---A 7 8 Q When was the last time you took some medicine? This morning I took what they call (\*) I have A 9 hemorrhoids, if that--helps any. 10 Q Have you ever been examined by a psychiatrist 11 before? 12 No. 13 A Q What is your major in school? 14 Philosophy. 15 A Have you lived in California all your life? 16 Q Well, I have lived here for the past 24 years. A 17 Q Uh huh. Where else have you lived? 18 I lived in Oregon for six months when I was two A 19 years old. 20 Do your parents live--are your parents alive? Q 21 (\*) λ .22 Q Have you ever been in the military service? 23 A No, I haven't. 24 25 Q Okay, sir, now the fairest way for me to conduct the examination in here is to find out in your own words what 26

<sup>1</sup> happened. For some reason, these investigators want me to
 <sup>2</sup> give you a polygraph test, and apparently you saw something
 <sup>3</sup> or you talked with someone or you--something happened, so this
 <sup>4</sup> is what I'd like you to tell me whatever--whatever's happened
 <sup>5</sup> here.

A You don't have a copy of the statement. Do you
 want that?

Q No--well, actually it's--

A It's been, you know, as time goes on, I remember
 less and less of what--exactly what happened.

Q How many people have you talked to about this?

A Uh, officially, you mean?

Q Well, yes.

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A Well, first I talked to the FBI. They came out to
 the house. That was, oh, about June the 18th.

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How did they know about you, the FBI?

A Apparently from the--where--when I signed in out
 there at the Fish Canyon Gun Club.

Q When you did which?

<sup>20</sup> A Oh, I signed in, you know, you're supposed to sign <sup>21</sup> in when you go out there.

Q Uh huh.

A And they got my name and address off of that.

24 Q Uh huh, I see. And then they came over and talked 25 to you?

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Yeah, they called me up and (\*)

Q Now, did you tell them anything that they might have felt was relevant to the Sirhan investigation? 5

A No, I would have no way of knowing. There is one thing that I failed to recall. They wanted to know if I had seen somebody out there wearing a light blue shirt and dark blue pants, and I couldn't recall, but then after they left, I remembered that was one of the guys I was talking to. Other than that, I can't think of any reason that they'd have any guestions about what I had to say.

Q Well, I could go out here and get the report from
 the investigators. I have found that it's better if we
 discuss something because I've come in here with a completely
 open mind--

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A Uh huh,

Q ---and I have to be objective, and I know that a person coming in here for the purpose of taking an examination is just normally a little under tension, a little nervous, and this kind of thing, and this doesn't have any bearing on the test.

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A .Uh huh.

Q However, if--if you relate to me what you know without me having to read anybody's report, it's better because I
won't--there won't be the possibility of me having read something that might influence my thinking, you see?

A Uh huh.

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Q That's the reason I would rather just discuss it

6 1 with you. 2 A Oh boy. It was a long report. .3 Well---0 4 Why don't you just ask me questions on it? A 5 Did you see anyone there that they are concerned 0 6 with concerning the Sirhan-Kennedy assassination? 7 A "You know, I don't know how to answer that because I 8 don't know who they're concerned with. 9 Q Well, have you ever seen Sirhan? 10 A I saw him at the range at that day. 11 Well, you know he's one of the people that they're Q 12 concerned with. 13 Α Well, of course. -14 0 Okay, you did see Sirhan? 15 A Right. 16 0 When did you see him? .17 It was June the 4th. I got to the range about Α . 18 10:45 and I noticed him probably within, oh, 15 or 20 minutes. 19 I just happened to see him. I assume he was there before 20 because I didn't see him come while I was there. 21 0 Okay. Did you talk with him? 22 No, I didn't talk to him. Ά 23 0 Did you see him talk to anyone? 24 A No. Did you see him in the company of anyone? 25 0 Well, I thought I did, but it's very vague. 26 A 1

thought I saw him with a girl about 22 years old, roughly.

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Q But you didn't see them talking together?A No.

Q What were they doing? Why do you think that they were together?

A Well, uh, uh, I saw--I'm sure I saw a girl there that was about 22, medium length dark hair, dark complexion, probably 115 pounds, and she was in that general vicinity right close to where he was.

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Q Was there any other girls there on that morning?

A Uh, not that was there very long. There was a
 family that came and left, but that was--that wasn't there but
 five minutes, I don't think.

Q Okay, then, other than this girl?

<sup>15</sup> A I talked to the guy on one side, and she wasn't
 <sup>16</sup> with him, and I talked to the two guys on the other side of
 <sup>17</sup> Sirhan--this was after Sirhan left--and the girl wasn't there
 <sup>18</sup> at the time after he left.

Q Okay, then, was she the only girl as far as you can
 recall--

A Yes.

Q -- that was there?

A . Uh huh.

Q No other women were there firing in the range? A Right.

Q Okay, now, this was a period of from 10:45 in the

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1	morning	until about what time did you leave?		
2	λ	I left about, oh, 2 or 2:15, something like that.		
· ·3	<b>Q</b> .	In the afternoon?	\$	
:4	λ	Right.		
5	Q	You were there for about three or four hours?		
6 ،	A	(*) first time I had a chance to shoot.		
7	Q	Okay, and during that period, you remember seeing		
.8	this one	girl?		
<b>.</b> 9	A	vh huh.		
10	Q	And you describe her as being dark complected? Wo	oul	L
μ	you say	that she was Mexican?		
12	Α	I thought so, yes.		
13	<b>Q</b>	Uh huh. What about this person whom you say is		
.14	Sirhan?	Would you describe him at the time that you saw him	a	
:15	as being	Mexican also?		
16	λ	I thought sowell, his hair was curly, and I don'	't	
.17	think yo	u usually see Spanish-Americans with curly hair.		
18	Q	Uh huh.	1	
19	λ	But other than that, I would say definitely, yes.		
20	Q	Uh huh. Okay, but you didn't talk with Sirhan or		
21	the girl	?		
22	<b>A</b> 1	No.		
23	<b>Q</b>	And you didn't see them, this Sirhan or the girl,		
24	talking	to each other?		
25	λ	No.		
-26	Q	And the reason that you formed the opinion that the	hey	
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were together is because the other people that were around her were not with her? 9

A Right. Well--it's very vague though. Of course, I'm--I don't think that's anything new, but, uh, as near as I can tell you, yes.

Q Of course, I'm trying to establish a foundation here, some base for your thinking of this.

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9 Q You see, if these two men that you talked with did
10 not talk to the girl and then you talked to them later, did
11 you ask them, "Were you with that girl?" or how did you
12 determine that they weren't with the girl?

<sup>13</sup> A Uh, only by observation, uh, there's--there's two
 <sup>14</sup> guys on one side, on the side closer to me that were--they
 <sup>15</sup> had also appeared to be Mexican. And I talked to them after <sup>16</sup> wards.

Q Uh huh.

A About 1:30, something like that.

Q Did you ask them anything?

A No, I didn't ask them anything, just that there was very few people there. The girl was not one of them that was there.

Q Well, but it's possible that she could have gone
 somewhere else?

A Oh, yes.

Q Maybe--maybe even to the car and been waiting for

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1	them?
2	A Very possible.
3	Q So you didn't ask them whether they were with the
4	girl?
5	A No.
6	Q What about the other people on this side of the girl,
7	did you ask them whether they were with the girl?
8	A No, I didn't ask them anything about anything.
.9	Q So you just formed
10	A I had no reason to.
-11	Q You just formed this opinion that they were together,
12	that Sirhan was with the girl, because these other people
13	didn't seem to know her and didn't
14	<b>λ</b> Right.
15	Q And she wasn't there when they remained?
.16	A Right.
`17	Q Is that right? And you didn't see Sirhan or the
18	girl talking to each other?
19	A No.
20	Q Did you see them doing anything together?
.21	A Well, uh, I can't say for sure. The nearest I can
22	recall, I saw her shoot a couple of times and someone was
23	assisting her. Again, II can't say that was Sirhan. I
24	don't know.
25	Q This is kind of strange to me. I don't see what
26	they're trying to determine because actually you can't really

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say other than--When did you realize that this person was
 Sirhan?

A Well, when they first showed it on TV, I kept thinking, gee, that guy looks a little bit familiar, you know, like I'd seen him before.

Q Uh huh.

7 A But very vaguely. And I would have recognized him
8 right off except that what they showed on TV wasn't very much
9 like him really.

Q Uh huh.

A And later on, of course, I--I talked to other people that was there, and they said that that was him, but I recognized him very--in fact, from other pictures, I could have corrected him mentally, you know, to more what he really looks like.

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Q Uh huh.

A And then after I did see pictures that was taken after he had cleaned up and bruises or whatever was on his face was gone, then he looked exactly like the person I saw out there.

21 Q Okay then. On that day, of course, how many pictures 22 have you seen of Sirhan, how many pictures have been shown to 23 you?

A Uh, by police officers, just one set.
Q Of different people?

A Of different people, and one of them was Sirhan.

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Q Uh huh. And by anyone else?

A Other than that, it was just strictly what I saw on
 <sup>3</sup> Ty.

Uh huh. Just one minute. (\*) let me try and see -4 0 if these officers have pictures. (\*) Will you excuse me one 5 (Pause) Okay, sir, they are going to go up and pick 6 second? up some photographs. Now, just to clarify in my mind, now, 7 you say that on June the 4th from about 10:45 in the morning Ś to about somewhere around 2 o'clock, in the afternoon, 2:30 in 9 the afternoon, you were at a gun firing range, and do you know 10 11 the name of that place?

<sup>12</sup> A Well, it's in Fish Canyon. That's what most people
 <sup>13</sup> call it. Actually, I guess it's the San Gabriel Valley Gun
 <sup>14</sup> Club.

15 Q Okay, San Gabriel Valley Gun Club. Now, you say that 16 during that period that you were there, you saw a person whom 17 you have identified as Sirhan Sirhan. There were other people 18 there and you remember seeing the girl there also?

λ Yes.

20 Q But as a matter of fact, you don't know whether this 21 girl was with Sirhan. You didn't see them talk to each other?

A No, not for sure.

23 Q You didn't see them talking to each other?
24 A No.
25 Q You didn't see them doing anything together

Q You didn't see them doing anything together? A No.

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1QAnd you saw someone--in your mind you saw someone2showing the girl how to shoot?

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A. Uh huh.

4 Q But you can't say that the person that was showing
5 the girl how to shoot---

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Q --was Sirhan; is that right?

A Right.

9 Q Did--did you tell anyone else something different 10 from what you're telling me now? That they could have mis-11 understood you as meaning something else?

A Well--I don't think anyone asked the questions as clearly as you have and it might have been misleading. Possibility of that.

15 Q If they were misled, how do you think, James, that
16 they were misinterpreted?

A Uh, of course, I wouldn't have any way of knowing for sure. I did not, at least I don't think I said, or if I did, I didn't mean to anyway, that they were together, only that I had reason to believe that they were. (\*) I might have already told you.

Q Uh huh. Okay, but, of course, if this was misunderstood by them, what you really meant was that you don't know whether Sirhan and the girl were in fact together?

25 A Right. It's just, I just remember seeing a girl
26 there.

Q Yeah, you saw a girl there but--and you saw some other people there, as a matter of fact. 14

A' Yeah.

<sup>4</sup> Q And anyone of those people could have been with <sup>5</sup> Sirhan, but you have no foundation--

A Right.

A Right.

<sup>9</sup> Q Well, sure, I can understand. I can probably see
 <sup>10</sup> what happened here. Somebody here either misquoted you or-- <sup>11</sup> or misinterpreted what you said, and they're concerned with
 <sup>12</sup> any possible connection with people that were sith Sirhan at
 <sup>13</sup> any time.

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Q And of course what you're saying here is that there
 is nothing, there is no reason for you to believe that there
 was anyone that was there, the girl or any other man.

<sup>18</sup> A No. definite--uh, what do you call it, direct
 <sup>19</sup> avidence.

Q Uh huh. Well, what about indirect evidence?
 A Well--that's what I have already told you was that
 I do remember seeing this girl there.

Q Uh huh.

A And it was in the same general vicinity and I have
 no reason to believe that they--she was with either of the
 people on either side.

15 1 0 And no reason to believe that she was with Sirhan. 2 Ά Right. ્3 In other words, she could have gone to the car and 0 4 waited for anyone that was at the gun club--Yeah. A 5 6 --because you remember ---0 7 A (\*) close to (\*) very well because--8 0 Did you--did you tell anyone something about Sirhan showing this girl how to fire the gun? ·9 A Well someone did now. 1Ò But you didn't. Ó 11 Someone was showing her, I thought. 12 A No. 13 I understood that, but my question was, did you tell Q anyone before this -- and don't be embarrassed or ashamed or .14 15 anything--Ά I don't think so. 16 If they misinterpreted your--you know, your state-17 Q ments, we--the purpose is to correct them, you see. And I'm 18 just wondering or asking you whether, in your mind, someone, 19 whether it was the FBI or these investigators, could have 20 misinterpreted you? 21 A Oh, it's guite possible, yeah. 22 Misinterpreted you as saying that you saw Sirhan 23 0 showing this girl how to shoot? 24 Ά It's quite possible, yeah. 25 But as a matter of fact, you didn't see Sirhan 26 Q

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1	showing this girl?
2	A Right. Just someone.
3	Q Someone. Very good. Okay, well, as soon as they
4	get these pictures, just to clarify myself, I just want to
5	would you be able to recognize a different photograph of
6	Sirhan if you saw it?
7	A Oh, I'm quite sure, yes.
8	Q Do you smoke?
9	A NO.
.10	Q I do, but I've run out of cigarettes.
11	A No, Ias soon as I was old enough to smoke, I quit.
12	Q That's good.
13	A I guess there is good reasons to have those kind of
.14	lungs.
.15	Q You mean about
.16	A About not smoking until you're old enough to figure
17	it out for yourself.
18	Q Excuse me. (Pause) Okay, James, what I want to do
- 19	here is I want to mark these photographs and show them to you
-20	one by one, and if you see any photograph that you recognize
21	as being Sirhan, say so. If you don't know, just say I don't
22	know. If you do recognize him, just tell me. This is number
.23	one here.
24	A NO.
<b>25</b>	Q That's not him. That's number two.
26	A No.

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.1	Q	This is number three.
.2	A	No.
3	Q	This is number four.
4	λ	No.
5	Q	That's number five.
6	А	No.
7	Q	That's number six.
8	A	No.
9	Q	This is number seven.
10	, A	Yeah, that's him. That's the one.
n	Q	Has someone shown you this picture before?
12	A	No, I haven't seen that before.
13	Q	Number eight.
.14	А	No.
15	Q	This is number nine.
16	Ä	No.
17	Q	And this is number ten.
18	λ	No.
19	Q	Okay. Okay, then, you do remamber seeing Sirhan?
,20	A	Yes.
21	Q	Very good. Okay, James, I think we'rethere's no
22	reason f	or a polygraph test. I can't see any reason for it.
,23	I think	you've been sincere with me and I think you have told
24	me the t	ruth and that's all they are aiming for. Okay, I think
,25	that wil	1I'll just go ahead and tell these investigators
26	there is	no reason for (*).
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INTERVIEW OF RICHARD TUCK JULY 12, 1968

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1	TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDED INTERVIEW OF RICHARD TUCK	
2	HELD IN ROOM 318 PARKER CENTER	
3	JULY 12, 1968, 11:20 A.M. QUESTIONED BY: SGT. F. J. PATCHETT \$7872, S.U.S.	
· 4	SGT. C. E. COLLINS #6207, S.U.S. PRESENT: SGT. J. R. MACARTHUR #4372, S.U.S. TRANSCRIBED BY: IRENE MEEK, I.A.D.	
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6	(*) INDICATES UNINTELLIGIBLE CONVERSATION	
7	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: but we are going to end up	
<u>.</u> 8	compiling a journal on this thing and it will be somewhere	
9	like the Warren (*) report, and we would like to have your	
10	statement, which eventually we will get around to.	
11	A You're going to the emergency hospital and all that?	
12	Q Pardon?	
13	A Are you going to compile what happened at the emer-	
.14	gency hospital (*)	
-15	Q Yeah, this will be the whole damn schmear from start	
16	to finish because if you leave anything out	
17	A Yeah.	
18	Qyou're going to get	
19	A It was pretty wild in there.	
20	Q Well, that's understandable that evening.	
21	SGT. COLLINS: We should be in with the sound lab	
22	now, so if you want to start a formal statement we'll	
.23	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Well, let's just get the date	
24	and time on this thing. Today is the what?	
25	A The 12th.	ſ
26	SGT. COLLINS: The 12th of July. The time is	

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Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Okay. And the parties present will be Mr. Richard Tuck--Do you have a middle initial?

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Q Richard G. Tuck? Sgt. Collins, Sgt. MacArthur, Sgt. Patchett. Okay. Before we go into the photos, let's just start off with the--the meat of this thing which will be what occurred that evening. Richard Gregory is it?

A Yeah, uh huh.

Q G-r-e-g-o-r-y. What's your residence address?

A My residence address is 3918 Beverly Boulevard.

Q What city?

A Los Angeles 4. My registered address. I'm seldom
 there.

Q That's where you get the mail?

A Uh huh.

Q Okay. Do you have a phone there?

A Yeah, it is DUnkirk 7-1413.

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A Pourteen-thirteen.

Q All right, and how about a business address?

A I don't have one right now.

Q No business address?

<sup>24</sup> A Right.

Q And your occupation would be what?

A At the present, idle.

Q Are you a writer?

A No, I'm a--I'm a political campaign manager. I don't know what you would call that. A (\*) 3

Q Public relations is it?

A Well, I don't like that term, but, uh, uh, uh,
actually, yeah, I would be, say, a political worker, that sort
of thing.

- Q A terrible question. Your date of birth?
- A Nineteen--January 25th, 1924.

10QOkay. Now, on the evening of the shooting, you11start off you were in Senator Kennedy's suite of rooms--

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Q --on the fifth floor?

Fifth floor, right. And the Senator came back from 14 A the beach, I forget what time it was, about 9 o'clock, I think. 15 Returns were beginning to come in. We had South Dakota primary 16 returns in, which to the Senator and the people were very 17 exciting, I mean, it was a great victory, and the Senator was 18 very excited. We had made preparation to put him on NBC with 19 Sander Van Oker (phonetic), I know, was down on the fourth 20 floor and CBS and ABC, which were down the hall on the fifth 21 floor. And then he also talked to different people, a lot of 22 people were in the room, and -- and then he did a radio inter-23 view with a kid from Metromedia, and then we decided to go 24 downstairs to make a statement. It was discussed earlier the 25 fact that the -- since we had always given the television people 26

first crack, that the writing press needed a thing, and he would give them radius since most of them would be for eastern papers, kind of a background for the second day story thing as to what the results meant and what not. So we would--we told those guys who were traveling with us and perhaps one or two local reporters because--just maybe Daryl Lemke or somebody, L.A. Times, to--to meet us at the Colonial Room for a pencil press conference.

9 Q Okay. You say the Senator got back to the hotel at
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A I don't--I don't recall--

Q Well, roughly.

A I think it was about that, yes.

Q It was about 9 p.m.?

A Yeah.

Q And were you waiting for him?

A Yes, I had been--I was up in his room and waiting
for him and they--as you know, the suite--there were--the big
--I don't know whether it was the Presidential Suite or what
it's called, but a big living room on one side of the hall,
and a lot of people had gathered.

Q Well, I imagine he had one room to greet people and then one--

A Well, he had two bedrooms on one side of the hall, then across the hall was a huge living room with a bar and so forth. And so people had been invited up to watch the returns in there. For instance, I ran into the stewardesses who'd
chartered our plane downstairs, and they went upstairs with me
and there was people like Teddy White and relatives and the
children came in and the Senator came in and out and would go
back to his bedroom, change clothes, and also the--talking to
people.

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Q To your knowledge, he was at the beach, you say? A Yeah.

Q Until 9 p.m.?

10 A Uh huh. To my knowledge, right.

Q Do you know whereabouts at the beach?

12 A I think at Mr. Frankenheimer's house out at Malibu.

Q At someone's home at Malibu?

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Q Any idea how long he was there?

A Well, he went there--we came back from San Diego about 11 o'clock the night before, and we loaded the press and everybody in--then in our usual caravan and--and we went--we had brought the press and everybody else at the Ambassador, the Senator and Ethel, and a few relatives, couple of others peeled off, I think, on Sepulveda or something and went up to the beach direct and they spent the night there.

23 Q So he got into L.A. then on the 3rd about 11 p.m.? 24 A Yeah, about 11 p.m., I think. Wasn't much later 25 than that, I think. We had a long schedule. I think we were 26 almost on time. Maybe it was 11:30.

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1	Q Yeah, well
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<sup>,</sup> 3	Q Okay.
4	A So he went out to the beach and spent the day out
5	there.
6	Q So he would then be at the beach from 11 p.m. on the
7	3rd until 9 p.m
8	A Yeah.
<u>.</u> 9	Q on the 4th, on the night of the shooting?
<b>1</b> 0.	A To my knowledge.
33	Q (*) and this man's name was Frankenheimer?
12	A Yeah, John Frankenheimer, movie producer, who was
- 13	also a friend of the Senator's andand
:14	Q Okay, so then the Senator stays in his room from
`15	or he's in that
16	A That area.
17	Q (*) from roughly 9 p.m. until about what time do you
<b>,1</b> 8	put him going down to make a speech?
· 19	A Uh, gee, I would say it must have been about 11,
20	11:30, that time.
21	Q Around in there.
22	λ Yeah.
23	Q Now, in his room, was the Senator-were you present
24	with him most of the time?
25	A Yes, and I alsowell, not present with him, but I
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for, I would recognize people who should go in, and I would keep people who shouldn't go in, into the room he was in, and same way people would, coming down the hall and--in the room where the--at the time the party was going on, I acted as kind of screen there, too, and let those go in that were supposed to and kept those out that weren't.

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<sup>7</sup> Q So during this period of time was it discussed with
<sup>8</sup> the Senator that at the conclusion of his speech, he would
<sup>9</sup> make a statement to the writing press?

A Yeah. I think that--it was. We had--I think I--if I remember right, Dutton was the one that brought it up with him and said, you know, after this we ought to give the pencil guys a break, and he understood because we had problems in, as I say, Indianapolis and in--and Nebraska, the same--the same sort.

Q BY SGT. COLLINS: Mere you--were you present when
 that decision was made or is this--

A I--I knew it was made. I don't--I'm not positive.
9 Q You didn't hear at the very moment Dutton speak with
20 the Senator?

- A No.
- Q Okay.

A I could have, but I don't recall.

24 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Did you then leave with the 25 Senator's party when they started to go--

A Yeah.

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2	A Started to go downstartedwe gathered quite a few
3	people, including Paul Schrade and a bunch of others who were
.4	in and out of the room quite a bit, and so Ias they took off.
5	there was too many, and so they went down the elevator, so I
6	went down the stairs with a couple of other people, I forget
7	who, and I came off on the on some mezzanine labellevel and
8	walked into Max Rafferty's party, and then I leftwent back
9	and I finally found, and finally I got I went in through
-10	NBC's Gold Room.
.11	Q Door to the Gold Room
12	A Yeah.
13	Qwhich borders the NBC room?
-14	A Right, and just went straight in and stood there and
.15	listened to his statement.
16	Q And then at the conclusion of the Senator's speech
17	A Yeah.
.18	Q you see the Senator turn and go off right, back
19	part of the stage?
<b>20</b> .	A Right, right.
21	Q And originally, to your knowledge, he was to have
22	come off the front part?
23	A No, II didn'tas I say, this was something that
-24	Barry, uh, and the advance people decided. II didn't know
25	exactly which route he would take. Again, this was not my
26	and I wasn'tagain, I was half-way scouting routes and just in

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,1	case that we could get jammed there, II was going to suggest
2	to Bill that we go out through the Gold Room.
3	Q Okay. As the Senator exits from the rear of the
4	stage then, did you follow him through the door to the right
5	of the stage? Now that stage
6	SGT. COLLINS: That's looking to the left.
7	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: (*) in looking at the stage being
8	in the Embassy Room, you did not climb up on the stage and
, 9	follow the Senator out?
10	A No, I went out and around to the right, but I think
31	II don't know, I think I hadyou had to go up a couple of
12	steps, I think I did go up a couple of steps.
13	Q But it was the door to the right of the stage?
14	A Right, uh huh.
-15	Q So as soon as you saw the Senator start to exit
.16	A Right.
:17	Qby the rear of the stage, you then went up through
18	the door on the right?
19	A Yeah, uh huh.
20	Q All right, now, in that room that you entered, which
21	is like an antercom between the pantry or kitchen area and the
22	stage itself, what was the condition of that room? Was it
23	crowded at the time you entered it?
24	A Yeah, it was, relatively crowded.
25	Q But not packed, couldn't move.
.26	A Not packed, no, couldn't move.

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1	Q All right, now, did you see the Senator walking
2	through the room?
3	A NO.
4	Q So you could only assume then that he had already
5	got
б	A Yeah.
7	Qthrough the room?
8	A Right.
9	Q And as you come up to the door leading into the
10	kitchen, the only man or the only person that you recall seeing
11	was this man with the television camera?
12	A Yeah, camera.
.13	Q And this might have been Jim Wilson?
14	A Might have been Jim Wilson or it wasI'll think of
15	the other guy's name in a minutebut itit was ait was a
16	big fellow, and I think it was probably Wilson.
17	Q Okay.
.18	A Yeah, and I knew Wilson immediately on the floor
19	and so it maybut anyway, I got behind somebody with a camera.
20	Q BY SGT. COLLINS: When you say you saw him on the
21	floor, did he fall down or you
22	A Yeah, he was on the floor, slapping the floor, and
23	hishishis sound man was, you know, Wilson was the guy that,
24	if you listen to the tape, was screaming, "My God, my God, no,
25	no," and he was pounding the floor, and his sound man was
26	telling him, "You've got to shoot, Jimmy, You've got to shoot,

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• 1	you've got to shoot." When he did shoot
2	Q That was Robert Funk?
<u></u> 3	A Yeah. Bob Funk. No, no. Bob Funk, no, it was not
-4	hisno, Funk is the bigother big guy that I'm thinking of.
5	Q Oh.
6	A That I might have been behind.
7	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Well, Funk and Wilson and John
8	William Lewis the third all work as a team
9	A Yeah, Lewis
10	Q for CBS. It was Lewis who was
11	Apleading with him, the little short blond kid,
;12	and I forget what his first name is.
13	Q John.
14	A John?
15	Q I don't know what they call him
16	A Yeah.
17	Q but that's his formal name.
-18	A Yeah. Maybe it wasFunk is the otherYeah, as I
-19	say, if it wasn't Wilson, it was Funk I was behind, that's
20	that's the
21	Q Yeah.
22	A and he was pleading with him to shoot, the little
-23	fellow.
24	Q Well, let me back up here.
25	A Yeah.
,26	Q You're in the room, you're going to follow the
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Ļ	Senator, you evidently know he or knew that he went through
2	the doors into the kitchen, and you start in that direction,
.3	and you are behind this group of Wilson, Funk and Lewis?
4	A Uh huh.
5	Q Are you immediately behind them?
6	A Yes, I was behind either Funk or Wilson.
7	Q With the idea that they arethe television people
8	will
9	X Yeah.
10	Qrun interference
11	A Yeah.
12	Qfor you?
13	A And they have done it before, yes.
14	Q All right. Now, in that position then at approxi-
15	mately the doorway, is this where you would locate yourself
16	when the shooting starts?
.17	<b>A</b> Yeah, I would think so. Maybe we were just coming
- 18	down that ramp, but II think we were at least to the door
19	probably to the doorway. III can't say for sure when I
20	firstI thought what was happening was that a table was
21	breaking. It sounded like wood snaplike often guys stand
.22	onand I heard this crackling sound, it sounded like dry wood
23	snapping.
24	Q Any idea how many sounds you heard?
25	A Uh, three or four is all I heard, but that's
26	Q Three or four.

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·1 A Yeah, but, I mean, it was just a ---2 What was it that made you get moving here? 0 That--3 how did you become aware that someone was shooting? 4 A People started to scream and push and spread and--5 and so I knew something was wrong. 6 And then you -- the television people moved in forward O 7 and you just followed them? 8 λ Followed them and passed them, yeah. .9 And you passed them? Q 10 Uh huh. First person I saw was Shrade and I looked-A 11 took one look at him and thought he had had it, and he was--12 he really looked dead, and then next person I saw was the 13 Senator, and he didn't look very much alive either. 14 Where did you go? Did you attempt to assist the 0 15 Senator? 16 I took off my--my coat and then I--people were A Yes. crowding in and then Bthel was trying to get through and I went 17 18 back to help push people back to get her in, and I was pushing cameramen back and people back. It was very hot in there. .19 You could hardly breathe. And we were trying to get air. And 20 21 then at one point Barry told me, "You better go see where the 22 damn ambulance is or how it could get in, " and I went through the kitchen and out the front door, and the ambulance hadn't 23 24 arrived and I went into a side door and I found an elevator, so when the ambulance arrived, I brought the stretcher to the 25 freight elevator, took it up, took the stratcher and the two 26

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policemen off of it and went into the area where the Senator 1 was. At that point they had taken these laundry baskets and 2 kind of made a barrier, I think. 3 Uh huh. 4 0 And they moved those and we came in. I was at the 5 A Senator's feet when we started to lift him on. That's--was the 6 only encouraging sign, that's when he -- only time I ever heard 7 him say anything and he cried, "Please don't," or, "Don't" or 8 "Please," or something to that -- very plaintive. 9 BY SGT. COLLINS: Indicating what, that he didn't **1**0 0 11 want to be moved? Didn't want to be moved or that he was in great pain 12 A or something, yes, but mostly he didn't want to be moved, I 13 14 quess. BY SGT. PATCHETT: Well, then, it was Barry who 15 Q suggested to you that you check on an ambulance? 16 Right. A 17 And so you went into the kitchen area--18 Q Uh huh. 19 A --found a freight elevator--20 Q A Uh huh. 21 -- and you went down that elevator? 22 Q Uh huh--uh, no, I--I'm confused on the levels. 1 23 A ran down those stairs from the lobby to the lower level and 24 went out the front door. But I came back up the -- went into 25 the kitchen, found the freight elevator, and thought that was 26

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15 the logical route to take the -- because the ambulance pulled up 1 2 right by the side and just went straight in the little ramp 3 goes down. But you did go through the main lobby of the hotel? 0 4 I recall running down those stairs from the lobby to Ά. 5 the lower level, yeah. 6 BY SGT. COLLINS: The winding stairs? Q 7 8 λ The winding stairs, yeah, like a--BY SGT. PATCHETT: And then you went outside? 9 Q Å Yes. 10 And once you got outside, was the ambulance there? Q 11 Just--hadn't arrived yet, it was just coming, so I Ά 12 took them--I either went through the kitchen on this side, I 13 must confess I'm confused, or I went to the front door, but 14 15 anyway, I had figured out the route by the time that -- and I had found this freight elevator. 16 Q Okay, so---17 A Had it standing by. 18 You went with ---Q 19 Ά Standing there. 20 -- the ambulance crew? Q 21 Crew, right, and the stretcher, A 22 In through the kitchen area? Q 23 Å Yeah. 24 Up the freight elevator? Q 25 Freight elevator. A 26

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**Q** Got the Senator?

A Uh huh.

Q Came back down?

A Came back down the freight elevator.

5 Q And then do you remember coming down the freight 6 elevator?

A Coming down the freight elevator, there was the Senator, Mrs. Kennedy, Dutton, Barry, Jim Whitaker's wife, and myself, and the two attendants and I think that's all. Maybe Warren Rogers, but I'm not sure.

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Is this Christy Whitaker?

A No, no. No, this is--what's her name--Blanche Whitaker. She's Jim Whitaker's--she's a close personal friend of Mrs. Kennedy's. Jim Whitaker's the mountain climber, climbed Mt. Everest (\*)

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Q Oh, oh, oh, and this is his wife?

A Yeah, and she traveled with us and she is a large, dark haired woman, and so we got out to the ambulance, loaded, I went to the front of the ambulance, there was a police car in front, nobody was in the police car, and so I shouted for a policeman and finally got one to drive me. I got in the back, led the--with the police in the police car and we led the ambulance to--

Q Receiving Hospital?

A -- the receiving hospital.

Okay. Did you then go from the receiving hospital

to the Good Samaritan Hospital?

A Yeah, at the receiving hospital we had lots of problems and so when we decided to move, somebody suggested that I better go over to the Good Samaritan and get security and the doors set up so that the right people would get in, the Senator's sister couldn't get in the receiving hospital, they had a fight over a priest, Steve Smith, his brother-inlaw, couldn't get in, there was just--it was--it was pure bedlam.

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Q Was this priest the one that's a friend of the
 family that was traveling with the group?

A I think that's the one. He came to the door and there was an-ragain in the--in the hysteria, it's hard to saybut for some reason or other, he wouldn't let the priest in, which was beside the point.

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Was this a police officer?

17 A Yes. And for some reason or other, he took a badge out he had in his hand, and Mrs. Kennedy said, "I'm--" you 18 19 know, "Please let the priest in." And he said, no. he wouldn't She said, "I'm Mrs. Kennedy." He said, "I'm a policeman." -20 21 That's my recollection. With that, she hit him. With that, 22 he hit her. And then--couple of us, it may have been me and 23 somebody else, hit him. It was just a -- almost a brawl. There 24 was a fight also with a photographer.

Q This was this--

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A Yeah, the photographer. Barry, I think, landed the-

finally knocked him down, and the photographer finally came to. He thought it was me and asked me my name. I told him my name was Dick Tuck and I would be glad to take the credit, but I hadn't--hadn't done it. He just happened to be there, I guess.

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How did you get from the receiving hospital--

7 A Well, so then I went out, so I asked--I ran into Joe 8 Quinn, the Deputy Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, I said, 9 "Joe, you, you know, can you give me a police car?" He said, 10 "Yes, I'll get you one," and I got in a police car to lead 11 the--to go to--to run over to Good Samaritan. Again there was 12 no driver and we waited and waited and waited and so I arrived 13 over there at the same time the Senator's body did.

14 Q How long was the Senator at the receiving hospital,
 15 do you recall?

A Oh, I would say--

17 Q Roughly?

A I would say a half hour.

Q About a half hour.

A Twenty minutes to a half hour, but I was (\*)

Q And then you did stay at Good Samaritan?

A Yes.

23 Q Until the Senator was taken to the airport and then 24 did you go back to--

A No, I left the Good Samaritan the next day about 10--9 o'clock and went over to the Ambassador and took a bath and changed clothes and then came back, and stayed 'til he was finally pronounced dead about 2 in the morning, and then about 4, I went back to the Ambassador and slept 'til we went to the airport and then I flew back on the plane with--

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Q With the family? Okay.

6 SGT. PATCHETT: Anything you can think of, Collins? BY SGT. COLLINS: You mentioned that Warren Rogers--7 0 Yeah, Warren Rogers was in the ambulance. I don't 8 λ know whether he came down the -- he's a Look, senior editor of 9 Look Magazine, a Washington Bureau Chief -- in fact, he has got 10 11 a -- the last issue of Look has his story by Warren -- it's kind of pathetic--but I remember looking back and he was in the 12 13 front seat of the ambulance.

Q That's our unidentified man in the front seat.
 A Yeah. That's Warren Rogers of Look. As I say, you
 can read his account in the Look Magazine.

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Q What's his--what's his title with Look Magazine?

A He's the senior editor--no, he's the--he's the senior
editor of Washington Bureau Chief, but the last issue will
have his story and he mentions that--that Barry tried--he had
a little trouble with the ambulance people, too.

22 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: What was the problem with the 23 ambulance people?

A Well, Ethel wanted to keep the Senator still and they didn't want to or something, I don't know. Here, again, we had an argument coming down in the elevator. I think Mrs. <sup>1</sup> Whitaker slapped one of them. It was--it's very difficult to <sup>2</sup> reconstruct. It was--but it was--the guy the--I think the <sup>3</sup> name was Max Beerbaum (Behrman) or something, the big--big <sup>4</sup> ambulance attendant, was--was pretty crude and pretty vulgar <sup>5</sup> and--and people reacted.

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Q Okay.

7 SGT. PATCHETT: Can you think of anything else,
 8 Collins?

9 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: You said there was an old man in
 10 the elevator?

A Yeah, a guy in a kind of a kitchen, you know, white
 coat and jacket who ran--and in getting the elevator down, he
 naturally took us too low or too high and he couldn't get the
 door open and, you know, again it was a--

Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Panic situation?

A He was running the elevator, in other words, he was
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Q BY SGT. COLLINS: He wasn't an elevator operator? A No, he was kitchen help. He looked like a--a dishwasher and I just remembered that he was old and he had on a white jacket and a white pair of pants.

Q And is he the one that held the elevator down for you?

A Yeah, uh huh.

Q When you were waiting for the ambulance?

A Right. But I remember going down and he went too

1	far or something.
32	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Were there any victims removed
3	prior to the Senator's being removed
<i>'</i> 4	A Yeah, they came into the hospbefore we left the
5	hospital, uh, uh, uh
6	Q Excuse me. I'm thinking in terms of going from the
7	kitchen down?
. 8	A Oh, not that I know of, but I haven't, as I say, I
9	I didn't see any moved.
.10	Q You got the
J1	A Yeah.
12	Q You got the ambulance, took them right up, got the
13	Senator on the stretcher
14	A Right.
15	Q and took him right back?
16	A Right.
17	Q BY SGT. COLLINS: The first ambulance took Senator
18	Kennedy?
19	A Right. While we were still at Good Samaritan, they
20	brought the ABC kid, I forget what his name is, one of the
21	victims, and aa woman who I have known for a number of years,
-22	but I didn't recognize her. I think it's Bart Evans
23	Q Eunice Evans?
.24	A Is it Eunice is her first name?
25	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Elizabeth.
26	A Elizabeth.
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1 Q Well, it might be Eunice. 2 A But I'm sure--is he a--has a paper out in the 3 Valley and ---4 Q Yeah. 5 Yeah, she used to be a --A 6 --friend of Salinger's. 0 7 Yeah, she used to be a Deputy Social Welfare in A '8 Sacramento or her brother is Don Bradley who's run political 9 campaigns in this -- and I've known Eunice for -- but I saw her 10 on the stretcher and I--.11 0 Right with the--12 A Yeah, but I didn't recognize her. 13 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: Did you see any other victims? 14 Yes, I talked to the -- the -- who I knew and I can't A 15 remember his name--but I had seen him during the campaign, the 16 ABC assistant producer. 17 0 Whitzell? (Phonetic) 18 A Weisel, yeah, who always followed us with a walkie-19 talkie because--and--and--I saw him and talked to him and he 20 asked me if the Senator was all right and so forth and --as he 21 was wheeled in. 22 Right. At the time the shot was fired now, you're 0 23 outside in the other room, you are following the TV people, .24 you just hear what sounded to you like the cracking of tables 25 or---À 26 Yeah.

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<b>`1</b>	Q something like that?
<sub>2</sub> 2	A Yeah, the cracking of tables, yeah.
3	Q Three or four times.
4	A Uh huh.
5	Q And after you got in, you did see Paul Schrade on
6	the floor
7	A Uh huh.
8	Q and then you saw the Senator?
9	A Uh huh.
10	Q Did you at any time see the assailant?
.11	λ I didn <sup>4</sup> t.
12	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Did you notice the struggle going
.13	on? You didn't?
14	SGT. COLLINS: You're shaking your head, no.
15	A I say, no. Yes, IIthe struggle, I thought
16	people were fighting to get out, I mean, in all directions,
17	that seemed to be theuh, uh, but I wasn'tI wasn't aware,
18	as I say, that there was somebody
19	Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: All right, let's go into a couple
,20	of photographs here, then, all right? Or is there anything
21	else?
22	SGT. COLLINS: Well, do you think we need it for
23	the tape? Lat's cut the tape off and end the interview.
24	SGT. PATCHETT: Okay.
.25	SGT. COLLINS: I'llI'll call upstairs and tell
26	them that's the end of that interview. We'll go into the

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