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Additional copies are being furnished to the Bureau pursuant to specific Bureau instructions.

The interview of STUS PRUSZYNSKI, potential witness in the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was conducted by representatives of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at Montreal, Quebec.

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In connection with the tape recording of the reaction and commotion of the crowd taken immediately subsequent to the assault of Senator KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel by STUS PRUSZYNSKI, the FBI Laboratory pointed out that due to the poor quality of the original recording, it was necessary for the Laboratory to make a dubbing in effort to enhance the terminology and reduce an interferring hum. The Laboratory also provided an extra copy of the dubbing for dissemination to the Los Angeles Police Department. After a review of the recording was made at Los Angeles, it does not appear that anything pertinent to this investigation is contained on the recording. It is pointed out that the original recording was of extremely poor quality.

#### LEADS

No specific leads are being set forth in view of the fact that all leads arising from this investigation continue to be handled on an expedite basis.

#### LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will follow any developments arising from prior investigation in this case. No active investigation is currently under way at Los Angeles. This case is on automatic appeal under California law as SIRHAN received a death sentence.

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Title:

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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Synopsis:

The trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN continued at Los Angeles County Superior Court, Number 107, State of California, during February 1969. On 2/13/69, opening arguments were made by prosecution attorney. Defense Attorney EMILE ZOLA BERMAN made his opening statements on 2/14/69, and the first four witnesses testified to the shooting. continued and on 2/26/69, the prosecution rested its case. The defense opened its case on 2/28/69. Trial continued and on 4/8/69, both prosecution and defense rested their cases. On 4/14/69, the case was sent to the jury for deliberation. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree against SIRHAN, and also found him guilty of assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to commit murder on five other counts in the indictment. On 4/23/69,

\_after a separate penalty trial, the jury returned a verdict of death for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN: On 5/21/69, SIRHAN was formally sentenced to death, and ordered remanded to San Quentin Prison. SIRHAN was sentenced to the term prescribed by law in the remaining charges against him. Background information concerning SIRHAN set forth, including interviews of fellow students, fellow workers, and information concerning brothers of SIRHAN including SAIDALLAH, SHARIF, MUNIR, and ADEL. Additional interviews conducted of persons in area of shooting including hotel employee, campaign

workers, student supporter, and press representative. Additional investigation conducted concerning KHAIBAR KHAN and members of his family concerning their alleged contact with SIRHAN. No further information developed concerning radio broadcast of shooting of Senator KENNEDY prior to his actual shooting. Miscellaneous information regarding investigation of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY set forth.

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#### **DETAILS:**

PROSECUTIVE ACTION CONCERNING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

On February 4, 1969, trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was resumed at Los Angeles County Superior Court. Court proceedings consisted of efforts on the part of the defense to support the motion for dismissal of the Grand Jury indictment concerning SIRHAN. SIRHAN and his mother MARY SIRHAN, both testified concerning their economic status. Judge HERBERT B. WALKER denied the defense motion.

On February 5, 1969, efforts were made by both the prosecution and the defense to select alternate jurors to serve for this trial.

The twelve jurors previously selected were sworn in but will not be sequestered until the six alternate jurors are selected.

On February 11, 1969, selection of all jurors was completed and further proceedings were continued until February 13, 1969.

Defense Attorney, GRANT B. COOPER, on February 13, 1969, made a motion for a mistrial in this matter based on recent articles appearing in the local press that SIRHAN might be considering a change of plea to guilty. All members of the jury including the six alternate members were individually examined in the Judge's chambers relative to the effect that this publicity might have had on them. Following the examination of the jurors, Judge WALKER denied the motion for a mistrial.

Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney, DAVID FITTS then made the opening statements to the court on behalf of the prosecution attorneys.

Defense Attorney, EMILE ZOLA BERMAN presented the opening arguments for the defense on February 14, 1969, and the first four witnesses to appear in this case testified. These included employees of the Ambassador who were employed on the night that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot.

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The defense attorney at the beginning of the court session on February 20, 1969, again moved for a mistrial based on local press accounts that SIRHAN was willing to plead guilty to a first degree murder charge if he could be assured of a sentence of life imprisonment rather than death. These proceedings took place in the Judge's chambers but apparently the story leaked to the local press and at the afternoon recess, Judge WALKER made available copies of transcripts concerning proceedings in chambers on that morning so that all press representatives would have the same information.

During the court session on February 25, 1969, the prosecution moved to admit as evidence in this trial the diary and other papers of SIRHAN that were obtained in a search of SIRHAN's residence on June 5, 1968. The defense objected to the admission into evidence of these papers and Judge WALKER overruled their objection and permitted their entry. Just prior to the noon recess, SIRHAN stood up in court and stated "your Honor, it is not admitted into evidence yet". SIRHAN's outburst was related to testimony then being given by LAURENCE SLOAN, Examiner of questioned documents for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

On February 26, 1969, the prosecution rested the case and the jury was given copies of SIRHAN's notebooks which had been admitted into evidence. Court proceedings were continued until February 28, 1969.

The defense opened it's case at the court session on February 28, 1969 and during the afternoon session while a witness from the Pasadena School system was testifying concerning the academic record of SIRHAN, SIRHAN stood up in court and addressed the Judge. His attorney seated him, requested permission to approach the bench and the jury was excused. SIRHAN requested permission to speak and indicated a desire to change his plea to guilty to murder in the first degree. SIRHAN also requested to be executed and to disassociate himself from his present staff of defense attorneys. In response to a question from the Judge, SIRHAN indicated that he had willfully killed Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY after 20 years of premeditated malice exaforethought.

SIRHAN insisted that he be allowed to represent himself and the Judge declared him incompetent to defend himself. The Judge ruled that the trial would continue and he admonished SIRHAN that if there were further outbursts of this nature, he would be physically restrained in the court.

When court reconvened, defense Attorney GRANT COOPER, speaking for himself and the other defense counsels, made a motion that all defense attorneys be disassociated from the case due to differences of opinion between themselves, and SIRHAN as to the proper conduct of the trial. This motion was denied by the Judge and trial was ordered to proceed.

During the court session on March 6, 1969, while SIRHAN was testifying as a witness, the defense attorney, after conference with the prosecution and the Judge, read the entire transcript to the court, including the jury of the events that occurred during SIRHAN's outbursts in the court session on February 28, 1969. SIRHAN was then excused as a witness.

Judge WALKER at the opening of the court session of March 7, 1969, advised the jury that in determining the guilt or innocence of SIRHAN to disregard the testimony given on March 6, 1969 regarding the statements made by SIRHAN at the court session on February 28, 1969, while the jury was absent. Prosecution Attorney, DAVID FITTS made a statement to the court that he considered the Judge's instructions in error and felt that the jury should be able to consider the statements in anyway that they wished. The Judge concurred with the prosecution, and defense continued with the presentation of defense witnesses.

During the court session of March 28, 1969, it was announced that one of the regular jurors had been taken ill during the night and an alternate juror was selected to replace the regular juror.

On April 8, 1969, both the defense and prosecution attorneys rested their case. Closing arguments were made at the court session following April 8, 1969 and on April 14, 1969, Judge WALKER read the instructions to the jury and the case was sent to the jury for deliberation at 3:00 p.m. on this date.

On April 17, 1969, the jury returned a verdict in this case finding SIRHAN guilty of murder in the first degree on count one of the indictment. On the remainder of the five counts, SIRHAN was found guilty of assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to commit murder. The penalty trial to determine the possibility of the death sentence was scheduled to begin on April 21, 1969.

On April 23, 1969, the jury in the trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, returned a verdict of death for SIRHAN. Further hearings in this matter were continued until May 21, 1969.

On May 21, 1969, defense Attorney GRANT COOPER, presented arguments for a motion for a new trial for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. The motion for a new trial was based on 13 points of alleged court errors in the trial of SIRHAN. The motion for the new trial was denied by Judge WALKER on all 13 points which had been specified by the defense.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN WIRIN and FRED OKRAND of the American Civil Liberties Union joined defense attorney's argument for a hearing on the constitutionality of the death penalty. The request for this hearing was denied by the Judge.

Prior to the arguments concerning a motion for a new trial, Los Angeles District Attorney EVELLE J. YOUNGER, presented a letter he had received from Senator EDWARD KENNEDY requesting elemency for SIRHAN.

After the motion for a new trial was denied, Judge WALKER formally sentenced SIRHAN to death and ordered him remanded to San Quentin Prison within ten days. The Judge pronounced that the findings of the jury were correct in this

case. SIRHAN was also sentenced to the term prescribed by law on each of the five counts of assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to commit murder in connection with the five individuals who were wounded at the Ambassador Hotel on the night that Senator KENNEDY was shot.

On May 3, 1969, an article appeared in the "Los Angeles Times" which advised that GEORGE E. SHIBLEY, a Long Beach Attorney, announced that he would be joined by LUKE MC KISSACK, a Hollywood Attorney, and ABDEEN JABARA of Detroit, Michigan in assuming responsibility for SHIRHAN's appeals.

The article stated that the three attorneys who represented SIRHAN in his trial would serve in the capacity of "counsels" to the three new attorneys. SHIBLEY indicated in this ariticle that the change was made at the request of the SIRHAN family as they wished to have a defense team of attorneys with a background of Palestinian affairs. The article stated that SHIBLEY and JABARA are of Lebanese ancestry, although both were born in the United States.

JABARA was present in Los Angeles during the trial of SIRHAN.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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LAWRENCE D. SOMMERVILLE, a student at Pasadena City College, who resides at 1863 Elvado Avenue, Arcadia, California, telephone 355-8395, advised that on the evening of June 4, 1968, probably before 6:00 p.m., he saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN on the steps leading from the student center to the "C" Building at Pasadena City College. It appeared, SOMMERVILLE said, that SIRHAN was exiting the college as SOMMERVILLE was entering. There were two or three other males walking about the same pace as SIRHAN, but SOMMERVILLE could not state whether or not they were actually in his company.

SOMMERVILLE waved to SIRHAN and spoke his name. SIRHAN waved back and passed on.

SOMMERVILLE had known SIRHAN since junior high school when both were in attendance at Elliott Junior High School and again at John Muir High School in Pasadena, however, SOMMERVILLE said he never had more than possibly one class with SIRHAN and this would have been in junior high school. He doubts that SIRHAN would know his name. He has never been in the SIRHAN home, nor has SIRHAN been in his home. SOMMERVILLE stated that they knew each other by sight only and would greet each other when they met, usually by a wave. SOMMERVILLE stated he had no information of consequence regarding SIRHAN and no information whatsoever concerning his political attitudes and beliefs.

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1730 Centinela, Inglewood 776-3244

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1122 W. 30th St., L. A. 748-4286

Investigator Receiving Info: Date & Time Received:

HERNANDEZ, E. 7101 6-14-68 11:45 AM

NFORMATION: Above party was interviewed at his residence. States that he attended Pasadena City College with suspect SIRHAN SIRHAN. Stated that both were members of the International Club which is composed of approximat 150 foreign students. Also, used to see SIRHAN at Santa Anita Race Track periodically. Last time he saw SIRHAN was during the months of January or February of 1968. Had conversation with SIRHAN relative to SIRHAN's accident at the track. SIRHAN stated he felt well, but was sueing the "people". GOEL states that in his opinion SIRHAN looked or acted no fifferent than when he used to attend school with him.

ASSIGNED TO: HERNANDEZ, E. STRONG and SANDLIN

to the SENATOR KENNEDY INVESTIGATION.

ACTION TAKEN - RESULTS:

Interview taken.

The above party was interviewed in his residence 1122 W. 30th St. on 6-14-6 persons present at time of the interview were Sgts. E. Hernandez # 7101; L. Sandlin and Strong. The purpose of the interview was to determine if Mr. GOEL had any knowledge or information that might possibly be relevant

#### STATEMENT

I met SIRHAN SIRHAN during the early part of 1963 at Pasadena City College.

He and myself were foreign students attending school there during this time

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which was somewhere around a period of about 12 years I had many conversations with SIRHAN. We both belonged to the PASADENA CITY COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL CLUB, The club was composed of about 150 foreign students. I would say that from my own personal observations SIRHAN's best friend was another Arabic student by the name of MOHAMAD (M-Arabic-Tall-Good looking-Fair complexed).

As far as any of the teaching Staff knowing SIRHAN, I believe that there was a member of the Political Science program that I believe knew SIRHAN quite well (M-C, has only one eye-wears artificial eye and glasses). I do remember that MISS NICELY who is the head of the International Student talked with SIRHAN and so did MR. RUDE from the ENGLISH DEPT. MISS ELDER also was the Foreign students English teacher and talked with SIRHAN.

Socially I did not know SIRHAN too well. I know that he did not drink liquor and I believe that he was a MOSLEM, He never told me this, but this is what I believe. I also believe that his friend MOHAMAD was a Moslem. SIRHAN was a heavy better at the race track. I know that he used to go to SANTA ANITA a lot. I myself go to Santa Anita but not as much as he did, every time that I did go, I used to see SIRHAN there. He used to make big bets 60-80 dollars on a race. One time when we were at Santa Anita a middle aged woman gave him a good tip on a horse and he gave me the tip, the norse came in and he made a lot of money on his bet.

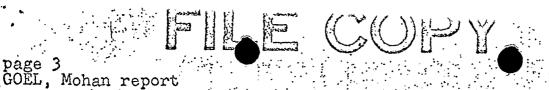
No, SIRHAN did not have any girl friends that I know of, he was a very quiet type of man and the only time that I remember him talking to any girls was during our meetings at the International Club. I remember seeing him talking to a girl by the name of "SUZIE" and another girl by the name of "SHARON" but I don't remember their last names. But to my knowledge he didn't have an girl friends and I never saw him with a girl.

No, I truthfully can't say where SIRHAN got his money. I remember that at one time he was working in a gasoline station in Pasadena. After he left school somewhere around the middle of 1964 I believe, I think it was 1964, anyway I heard that he was working horses in Del Mar. I think that his brother the one that wears a beard and works at the FEZ as a musician got him the job in Del Mar. His brother is a much bigger bettor than SIRHAN was, and I think that he is the one that told me that SIRHAN was working in Del Mar and that he had had an accident.

When I saw SIRHAN at Santa Anita in February or January of this year I to him that I had heard about his accident, I asked him how he was feeling and he told me that everything was alright. He was real happy. He told me he felt fine but that he was suing tose people and that he was going to get some money from them.

Yes, during the time that I knew SIRHAN he had two cars first he had a 1952 or 1953 black cadillac and then the lest car that he had was a real big one, it was a huge reddish DeSoto but I am not sure of the year. Once or twice he drove me home when I was walking from school.

To my knowledge SIRHAN didn't return back to Jordan or anywhere that I



know of. I remember seeing him in the track in Santa Anita during 1964 and 1965.

Well Politically I know that SIRHAN was very much against the Jewish people. He hated the Jews. In fact he stated to me many times that he was for Hitler and the way that he handled the Jews. He used to say that couldn't understand the Americans, that they let the Jews suck the blood of the nation and keep putting the money in the banks, and the Americans let them get away with it.

SIRHAN was usually very quiet, he used no profanity, except sometimes he used to swear in Arabic. Once a man spilled some coffee on his brother in a restaurant in Hollywood and SIRHAN called him a Mother Fucker in Arabic. But most of the time he was polite, helpful and quiet but he was very much Anti Jew.

No. I never myself heard SIRHAN mention KENNEDY.

E. Hernandez #7101

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HENRY RONALD RAMISTELLA, 737 Carew Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, advised as follows:

He is a former horse trainer and jockey who was disbarred because of some trouble he got into a number of years ago. Because he was barred from the race tracks he travelled to Callfornia where he sought work as a horse trainer under the name FRANK RUMMA. Using this name he was employed by Mr. BERT ALTFILLISCH who is the owner of the Granja Vista Del Rio Farms. He was so employed for approximately two years ending early in 1968 or in the end of 1967. While employed by Mr. ALTFILLISCH he hired STRHAM SIRMAN as an excercise boy and a jockey trainee. SIRMAN was known to him and to all the other workers as SOL, however, his true name, SIRMAN, appeared on his pay check.

SIRHAN had been employed for about a year when RAMISTELLA referred him to R.L. "BOB" WHEELER. However, approximately two months later SIRHAN returned to the Del Rio Farms and stated that BOB WHEELER had told him he was not ready to become a jockey. SIRHAN worked for approximately a month after returning to the ranch and then quit after he was unable to obtain a raise or shorter hours. This was approximately one year before Mr. RAMISTELLA heard that he had been arrested for shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

SIRHAN had advised RAMISTELLA that he had studied to be an ambassador for his old country noting that SIRHAN was an immigrant to the United States. RAMISTELLA feels that SIRHAN would have been well suited for this type occupation as he was exceedingly polite and appeared well educated.

He described SIRHAN as being a "loner" who had few friends and who used to go without meals in order to save his pay check. SIRHAN was very meek and had no "nerve." SIRHAN was generally afraid of horses and lacked the nerve to become a jockey.

RAMISTELLA states that he and several others were watching SIRHAN run one of the horses at the time SIRHAN fell from the horse. RAMISTELLA noted that this fall had

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been subsequently publicized in recent newspaper and television accounts from Los Angeles. He noted that at the time SIRHAN was running the horse it was extremely foggy and SIRHAN apparently lost his bearings and ranthe horse into one of the fences almost directly in front RAMISTELLA, of him, RAMISTELLA, and the other onlookers. because of the fog, did not actually see SIRHAN fall from the horse but heard the accident and ran to where SIRHAN SIRHAN was very much shaken by the accident was laying. and was taken to the local hospital for treatment. The hospital found nothing wrong, however, and released him RAMISTELLA had an occasion to observe the next day. SIRHAN for some time following this accident and noted that his behavior was, apparently, no different from his. behavior before the accident .. SIRHAN did not complain of any ill effects following the accident to RAMISTELLA or to anyone else in RAMISTELLA's knowledge.

RAMISTELLA has no knowledge of SIRHAN's political views. He states that SIRHAN argued with two Hungarians that were employed at the ranch about politics and Communists, however, the discussion took place in a language not familiar to RAMISTELLA and he has no idea what the argument concerned. He could identify one of the Hungarians only as JOHN and states that Mr. ALTFILLISCH could possibly be able to identify these two individues.

RE: FAMILY OF SHIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN

On the eveing of March 27, 1969, SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN was struck by an automobile driven by a MURRAY ALLEN WILLIAMS, a student at Pasadena City College. This accident occurred on Lake Street in Pasadena and WILLIAMS was driving a 1969 Volkswagen which struck SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN who was a pedestrian. SAIDALLAH was injured rather seriously and taken to St. Luke's Hospital in Pasadena.

Set forth is the Pasadena Police Department Traffic Collision report:



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AUTO-PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC COLLISION

As a result of these interviews it is believed that the following persons will testify as follows if called as witnesses:

- 1. PASADENA POLICE OFFICER D.E. HYZY : That he personally advised each party to this collision of his or her full and complete constitutional rights; that in his opinion each party understood them; and that each of them voluntarily waived those rights, and stated that he wished to make a statement concerning this collision without being represented by an attorney.
- 2. Mr. Theodore Bardon HOHN stated that he is tuenty seven years of age and is employed as a Traffic Officer for the State of California Highway Patrol at 2201 Via Compo Ave in Montebello. That he was off duty and was at the Orange Julius stand at 1519 N. Lake Ave, in the City of Pasadena on the evening of March 27, 1969. That he was sitting in the outside patio area facing Lake Ave. That he observed a male pedestrian crossing the street in a marked crosswalk from East to West on Lake Ave. That he observed a Volkswagon Southbound on Lake Ave, in the number one traffic lake, traveling approximately 30 to 35 miles per hour. That he observed that the pedestrian nor the driver of the W say each other. That he say the W strike the pedestrain in the marked crosswalk and say the victic hurled into the air. That he ran to aid the victic and say the driver immediately pull over to the side of the road, park his car and come back to the scene.
- 3. MR. SADALLAM B. SIRHAN (UNABLE TO ADVISE HIM OF HIS RECHTS TO REMAIN SILENT OR QUESTION HIM DUE TO HIS CONDITION.)
- L. MR. MURRAY ALLEN WILLIAMS: STATED THAT HE IS EIGHTEEN YEARS OF A GE AND LIVES AT 266 W. VENTURA ST. IN ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA. THAT HE WAS DRIVING A 1969 VOLKSWAGON SOUTHBOUND ON LAKE AVE IN THE CITY OF PASADENA ON THE EVENING OF MARCH 27, 1969. THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO SCHOOL AT PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. THAT HE SAW NO ONE ON THE STREET UNTIL HE WAS AT THE CROSSWALK AT HOWARD & LAKE. THAT HE FIRST NOTICED THE PEDESTRIAN IN THE WARKED CROSSWALK, AND AT THAT TIME HE WAS UNABLE TO STOP AND STRUCK THE PEDESTRIAN. THAT HE THEN STOPPED HIS VEHICLE AND CAME BACK TO THE SCENE. (SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN STATEMENT)

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

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Due to the observations and statements of the Witness and statement of Driver "A", as well as the physical evidence, it is requested that a complaint be issued against Driver: "A", Murray WILLIAMS for violation of C.VO. 21950, Failure to vield right of way to pedestrian in a crosswalk.

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#### RE: SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN

In the early morning hours of March 28, 1969, SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN was driving to the hospital to see his brother, SAIDALLAH and was stopped in the 800 block of South Arroyo Parkway and given a traffic citation for excessive speed on the Pasadena freeway. The citation was issued by Officers of the California Highway Patrol.

A Pasadena City Police Officer was called to the scene and as SHARIF was loud at the scene of the citation, the Pasadena Officer followed him to the hospital where SHARIF created a disturbance in the emergency room of St. Luke Hospital and was charged with assault and disturbing the peace.

Set forth below is the Pasadena Police Department report concerning this incident:

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I ACCOMPANIED. SIRHAN INTO THE HOSPITAL AND WENT WITH HIM TO THE FRONT DESK WHERE WE MET THE NIGHT SUPERVISING NURSE WHO TOOK US TO THE INTENSIVE CARE WARD. THE NURSE CHECKED WITH THE ON-DUTY PERSONNEL AS TO SADALLAH'S PRESENT CONDITION AND THEN SHOVED SHARIF INTO THE WARD.

I FOLLOWED HIM INTO THE WARD AFTER ABOUT A 30 SECOND DELAY AT THE NURSES COUNTER JUST OUTSIDE THE WARD.

INSIDE THE WARD WAS SADALLAH SIRHAN IN A SEMI-CONSCIOUS STATE. AROUND HIS BED WERE CARPENTER, BEARDSHEAR AND RAINES. HIS HEAD WAS BANDAGED, HIS LEG WAS COVERED WITH BLANKETS WHICH WERE SUPPORTED AWAY FROM HIS BODY BY A PROTECTIVE HOOP AND HE WAS BEING INJECTED WITH FLUIDS. THERE WERE THREE OTHER PATIENTS IN THE SAME WARD.

SIRHAN HAD MOVED TO A POSITION ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE BED (LOOKING FROM THE FOOT) NEAR THE UPPER BODY OF SADALLAH. HE WAS SHOUTING IN A DEMANDING TONE SUCH PHRASES AS, "IF YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING WHY CAN'T YOU TELL ME WHAT'S WRONG." CARPENTER ATTEMPTED TO EXPLAIN THAT IT WAS KNOWN THAT SADALLAH HAD A FRACTURED SKULL AND A BROKEN LEG AND POSSIBLY OTHER INJURIES. SIRHAN CONTUNUED TO SHOUT AND I NOTED MOVEMENT FROM THE PERONS IN THE OTHER BEDS. THE NURSES, RAINES AND BEARDSHEAR ATTEMPTED TO QUIET HIM VERBALLY BUT HE CONTINUED.

SIRHAN THEN REACHED DOWN AND STARTED TO REMOVE THE BLANKETS FROM THE BODY OF SADALLAH AND NURSE RAINES TOLD HIM TO LEAVE THE BLANKETS ALONE AND REACHED OVER TO PUT THE BLANKETS BACK INTO THEIR PROPER POSITION. RAINES WAS STANDING ON THE SAME SIDEEOF THE BED AS SIRHAN BUT NEARER THE FOOT OF THE BED. SIRHAN THEN STRUCK AT RAINES WITH HIS LEFT ARM IN A BACKHAND STROKE. RAINES DUCKED TO HIS LEFT AND THE BLOW JUST MISSED HER RIGHT CHEEK AND RIGHT SHOULDER. AT THAT MOMENT RAINES TURNED AND STARTED TOWARD THE TELEPHONE. I GRASPED SIRHAN FROM BEHIND IN A CHOKE ROLD AND TOOK HIM TO THE FLOOR. CARPENTER ASSISTED ME ANDBRINGING HIS ARMS BEHIND HIM AND PLACED THE HANDCUFFS ON HIM.

I THEN TOOK SRHAN TO THE POLICE UNIT IN THE PARKING LCT. HE WAS SHOUTING SO LOUD THAT HE WAS PLACED INSIDE THE CAR TO WAIT FOR THE TRANSPORTING UNIT AS IT WAS FELT THAT HE WOULD WAKEN THE PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL.

OFFICERS NICHOLAS AND OLQUIN ARRIVED SHORTLY AND TOOK SIRHAN TO THE CITY JAIL THERE HE WAS BOOKED ON THE CHARGES OF PC 240-ASSAULT AND PC 415-DISTURBING THE PEACE. IT WAS FELT BY THIS OFFICER THAT SIRHANS' SHOUTING IN THE INTENSIVE CARE WARD WAS SUFFICIENT TO WARRANT THE CHARGE FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE CITY PROSECUTOR ISSUE A COMPLAINT FOR THE LISTED CHARGES.

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These Officers were detailed to contact Lt. R.E. Smith, Shift Commander, at the Emergency room at St. Luke Hospital. Upon arrival at the location Lt. Smith advised the undersigned and partner Off. Nicholas that the above suspect was arrested for the above listed charge and to transport him to the Pasadena City Jail for booking.

The suspect was transported to the City Jail and was asked by the undersigned if he whished to be examined by a doctor, as the suspect had complained of a sore throat. The suspect refused and stated he would have his private doctor examine him later in the morning. After completion of the booking process the suspect was taken to the Emergency Center to be examined by a doctor but refused all medical aid. He was then taken back to the Jail where he posted bail and was released. Once again the suspect was asked if he wished treatment by the Emergency Center and stated that he would submit to an examination. The suspect was examined by Dr. L. Jones who stated the suspect had a possible bruised throat and a small contusion on the lower lip.

The suspect was transported to Wards Garage after the medical examination for release of his vehicle which was impounded. It should be noted that the suspect was extremely uncooperative during the booking process and when taken to the Emergency center.

Assisted by Off. Nicholas

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Local press reports reflect that on June 25, 1969, SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN was acquitted in Pasadena Municipal Court on the charge of creating a disturbance at St. Luke's Hospital, Pasadena, on March 28, 1969 when he went to the hospital to visit his brother, SAIDALLAH who had been injured in a traffic accident.

SHARIF plead "diminished mental capacity" in his trial which was the same defense utilized by SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

SHARIF testified that he had been under a doctor's care and had been taking pills and injections at the time of the accident. SHARIF's attorney was GEORGE E. SHIBLEY.

The Pasadena Star News under date of July 9, 1969, carried an article that reflected that a claim of an estimated \$100,000 for false arrest was filed against a Pasadena Police Lieutenant and the City of Pasadena, by SHARIF B. SIRHAN, brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

SHARIF according to the article is claiming special damages for malicious assault and battery, personal injuries, false arrest and malicious prosecution.

The claim is the result of SHARIE being arrested in the Intensive Care Ward of St. Luke's Hospital where his brother, SAIDALLAH was confined. The claim was filed by SHARIF's attorney, GEORGE E. SHIBLEY of Long Beach, California, who defended him in the assault charge and who is a new addition to the appeal staff of SHARIF's brother, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

#### RE: MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN

The "Los Angeles Herald Examiner" on June 24, 1969, carried an article which reflected that the Board of Immigration Appeals has taken under advisement a move to deport MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN, 21 year old brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The article reflects that the United States Immigration Service had delayed action on the pending deportation to avoid any possible influence on the Los Angeles jury that convicted SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN of murder.

MUNIR a native of Palestine and a citizen of Jordan, has been under deportation proceedings since he was convicted of possession of marijuana on October 13, 1966.

The original deportation order was made on grounds of MUNIR's felony conviction.

MUNIR, according to this article, was sentenced by a Los Angeles Superior Court to one year in jail and five years probation. His attorney, however, persuaded the court to vacate the sentence and to transfer it to a juvenile court. MUNIRW was 19 when the incident occurred. The Appeals Board of the Department of Immigration advised that MUNIRW's attorney would be asked to submit a written brief.

#### RE: ADEL SIRHAN

Mrs. PHYLLIS YOUNG of 14414 Addison Street, Sherman Oaks, California, was a cocktail waitress and part-time dancer at the Fez Restaurant at 1508 North Vermont, Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. YOUNG advised that she knew ADEL SIRHAN, brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and to her knowledge, had never met SIRHAN. Mrs. YOUNG did identify SIRHAN as having frequented the Feralong with his brother ADEL. Mrs. YOUNG resigned her position at the Fez Restaurant the night after the assassination of Senator KENNEDY, as she apparently was in fear of her life after what happened the night of the assassination.

Set forth below are interviews of PHYLLIS YOUNG:

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INTERVIEWS

PERSON INTERVIEWED:

YOUNG, Phyllis

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14414 Addison St., #1 RESIDENCE ADDRESS

PHONE 783-0607

BUSINESS ADDRESS Brass Cup Bar, Ventura Blvd., Encino PHONE

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Officers re-interviewed Young, at her residence on the above date and time.

Officers asked Young about the alleged fight between Jamila Sellem and an unidentified Male Arabian, which took place at the Fez Restaurant in late December of 1967 or early January of 1968 (I-2649).

She told officers she was not aware of that particular fight but that there had been several arguments and fights in the Fez Restaurant while she was employed there and the police were not usually called.

Young told officers that Louis Shelby, a co-owner of the Fez Restaurant has called her since she talked to the police about the Fez. She stated he was antagonistic with her and accused her of being "a fink" for the police.

Fred Shelby, another co-owner of the Fez Restaurant has called Young and asked her to come back to work, but she told officers she is fearful of the Fez and will not return to work at that location.

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ormation (To be complete the report should include: Who, What, When, Where, Whos. Young stated she is a cocktail waitress and part-time dancer and was rmerly employed by The Fez Restaurant, 1508 North Vermont, telephone numbe 5-2722. The date after the Kennedy assassination she resigned her positionause in her words, "I was in fear of my life after what happened the night the assassination." Mrs. Young went on to relate that she was working in

Mike Mockmoon or Mocmun (phonetic) and a man by the name of Sam (last name known) were the bartenders on duty that night. When Mike and Sam heard of e assassination, they danced and sang; and one of them stated, "It's a eat thing that Kennedy has been shot." (Sam and Mike are of Arabian desce are Lou Sheiby and Fred Shelby, co-owners of The Fez.)

s. Young stated she is of Jewish descent, and as long as she had worked at e Fez, which is about two and a half years, there has always been a certai ount of friction between her and the Arab employees. Mrs. Young denied at she understood Arabic or knew how to speak Arabic; and when Arabs equented The Fez, she did not understand what they were saying and therefo

e stated that she knew Adel Sirhan; that she had seen him approximately fi mes in the past three months; and on two occasions Adel broughtone of his others to The Fez, and she was introduced to them. However, she could

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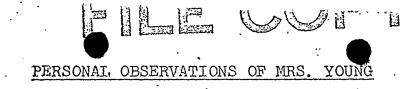
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FILE # SIRHAN BACKGROUND

not identify photographs of Adel's brothers. She stated that she was only waiting tables and was just a brief introduction. Mrs. Young stated that Tuesday night at The Fez is the night when all the Arabs of the community come together, sing and dance, and socialize. She denied knowing anything about the political background of any of those who frequent The Fez but did state that a Sheila Peacock, of Jewish descent and who had been associated with various Arabs for approximately five to seven years, told her Young, on one occasion that a Mohammed, Asa or Isa, was a big shot in the Arab political underground. This Isa or Asa frequents The Fez and approximately one month ago Young observed him with Mike and Sam in close conversation, and they stayed after The Fez was closed in conference; but she denies she knew what they were conferring about.

Mrs. Young stated that she had been asked to return to work by Lou Shelby, and she thought she might return to work at The Fez on the weekend of June 15th and 16th, but she stated she had not yet decided what to do; that she would talk to her father first. Mrs. Young stated that she usually worked for The Fez on Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday nights. She liked working at The Fez because the tips were very good; however, the Arabs were poor tippers, and the American tourists tipped the best.

Mrs. Young denied that she knew Sirhan Sirhan, and to her knowledge had never met him. She stated that the only law enforcement agencies she had talked to briefly were detectives from Rampart Division. She maintained that she had never been interviewed by any member of the press, magazines, or any other periodicals.



Mrs. Young is the mother of two small girls, one approximately 18 months old, the other 5. She was very cooperative and indicated that she would speak to no one regarding the case unless instructed to do so by members of L.A.P.D. She lives in an apartment that is well-furnished, probably furnished beyond her immediate income. While reporting officers were interviewing her, the phone rang several times; and from her part of the conversation, it appeared all of them were men of Arab descent. It appears that she has a wide circle of friends among male Arabs, but according to her purely social. Mrs. Young does not appear to be politically oriented and did not display any great interest in any phase of political life.

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Interviewed by Offs. Singhause and Warren, Metro, 6-8-68 at 12:10 p.m. at residence.

Miss Young is a cocktail waitress employed at The Fez (1508 N. Vermont). In interviewing Miss Young, she gave the names and phone numbers of persons she knows who also work at The Fez. The names and numbers are listed below.

Lou Shelby - owner, unknown phone number or address

Fred Shelby - owner, unknown phone number or address

Mike Mocmun (Mockmoon) unknown phone number or address

Sam ? - Bartender, unknown phone number or address

Shelia Peacock - waitress - PH: 980 2037

Maria ? (Farough) - PH: 667 3384

Debbie ? - waitress, unknown phone number or address

Marina ? - dancer, unknown phone number or address

Amathist? - dancer from Cuba, unknown phone number or address Lute player - Jim Nashib, unknown phone number or address.

Miss Young stated she has been put to eat with Sirhan, Adel several times and that the last time she saw him in the Fez was about 6 weeks ago. She met him approximately 14 years ago.

Jim Nashib is married to Barbara Khoury known as Antoinette. She has been seen in the Fez quite frequently but has never worked there.

Interview of Phillis Young continued.

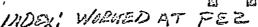
Beverly Corey was a dancer at the Fez approximately 2 months ago.

She may use the name of Linda or Janani. She (Bev Corey) may be working at the Greek Village, unknown location.

Miss Young stated that the night of the shooting the manager (Mocmun) and the bartender (Sam) heard of the shooting they were very happy, dancing and kissing the floor.

Miss Young identified Sirhan, Bishara as frequenting the Fez along and with his brother Adel. The last time he was seen was approximately 2 month ago. She didn't know him by name.

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PHYLLIS HAZEL WOUNG, who resides at 14414 Addison

Street, apartment 1, advised that she began working as a cocktail waitress at the Fez Restaurant on Vermont in Los Angeles, in August 1965. She advised that this was when she first met ADEL SIRHAN, the brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. He stated that ADEL was working at the Fez as a musician at that time.

YOUNG advised that ADEL became a good friend of hers and that he used to take her home after work quite often. for breakfast and on other; social engagements. She state d that approximately one year after having met ADEL, he introduced here to one of his brother's, who was at the Fez Restaurant, and to her racollection this brother was SIRHAN. She stated that she saw this individual about two more times, each time at the Fez Restaurant. The last time was approximately April 1968.

YOUNG advised that during the time she knew ADEL, she - never had any occasion to discuss politics with him and she never heard him express any anti-American or anti-rich sentiments. stated that she knew ADEL to be a kind, generous person and thought a great deal of him.

She said that in her few encounters with ADEL's brother, SIRHAN, her conversations were always short and very light, never discussing anything such as politics or ideologies. She stated that she never remembers his brother to display any sign of temper or violence in her presence.

She stated that she left the employ of the Fez Restaurant earlier this year inasmuch as she was of a Jewish background and she did not wish to put up with some of the comments or insults of some of the Arab patrons of the restaurant. She said that the upper floor of the Fez Restaurant was a very pro-Arab nationalist On the night that Senator KENNEDY was environment. assassinated, several of the individuals there, whom she did not know by name, indicated that they were glad that the "Jawish lover" was dead. She stated also that she sensed among many of the Arab people at the Fez, the strong feeling of anti-Americanism.

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YOUNG advised that she has not seen ADEL SIRHAN since she left the Fez and that she has never met any other member of his family.

She is described as a white female, at New York City, New York, 5'2", 155 pounds, hazel eyes, and black hair.

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RE: DEFENSE TEAM OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN ABDEEN JABARA

Information was received from the Detroit Division that the "Detroit News" edition of January 16, 1969, page 23a contained an article about JABARA, entitled "Detroiter Helps Under Dog, and This Time Its Sirhan". The article states a Detroit lawyer who favors defending underdogs in liberal causes is a volunteer involved in the defense of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN on trial in Los Angeles for his life for the killing of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. This person is 30 years old and single and a partner in a law firm called Lafferty, Reosti and Jabara, 726 Pallisti, Detroit.

The article states JABARA was born in Michigan, of Lebanese par ints and his mother still lives in Mancelona, Michigan.

The article states that JABARA speaks and writes Arabic and was reared as a Moslem even while attending the Methodist Church in Mancelona. He attended the University of Michigan and graduated from law school at Wayne State University and also studied at America University at Beirut, Lebanon. The article states that it is because of his familiarity with Arabic languages that he is involved in the SIRHAN trial.

The defense according to this clipping was receiving many letters from all over the world bearing on the case and many letters were in Arabic. JABARA is helping with the translations. JABARA is also helping to explain the California legal system to SIRHAN's parents during court sessions.

Plans called for JABARA to remain with the SIRHAN defense team until the first part of February when he is expected to return to Detroit.

JABARA, according to the article is involved in the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. JABARA lives in Highland Park and has three brothers and three sisters.

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Subsequent to the trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, ABEEN JABARA was named as one of three attorneys who were taking over the regular defense of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. This announcement was made on July 3, 1969 at a press conference at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, by Attorney GEORGE E. SHIBLEY. LUKE MC KISSACK of Hollywood, was announced as the third attorney in this group.

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## ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS OF INDIVIDUALS IN AREA OF SHOOTING

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Date	<u>3/12/69</u>

SALVADOR ACEVEDO MARTINES, also known as Salvador Acevedo, was interviewed in the office of FRANK W. BARNABY, Security Manager, Host International, Inc., 201 World Way. JOHN J. COX, Management Trainee, instant firm, acted as an interpreter between Special Agent DWIGHT W. MORRISON and ACEVEDO, who spoke only Spanish.

ACEVEDO advised he was working on a 10:00 p.m., - 6:00 a.m., shift on June 4, 1968, as a dishwasher at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angelès, California, at the time Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was assassinated. The assassination took place in the kitchen area of above hotel, while he, ACEVEDO, was working in the basement one floor below the kitchen. ACEVEDO advised he only went upstairs at 2:00 a.m., for lunch and that he finished his shift at 6:00 a.m., and went home. ACEVEDO advised he knew nothing of above assassination until after it happened. He identified a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN as the individual he saw later in the news releases who was accused of above assassination. ACEVEDO advised he did not see SIRHAN either before, during, or after the assassination except in the newspaper and television coverage.

ACEVEDO advised he entered the United States on May 26, 1968, on foot through Tijuana, Mexico, and that he is presently in the United States illegally and does not have any papers or Alien Number. ACEVEDO advised he lives with his brother JOSE ACEVEDO MARTINES, who is two years older, who also is in the United States illegally. JOSE is employed at the International Hotel, Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

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