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Name	SALVADOR ACEVEDO MARTINES, commonly known as Salvador Acevedo (MARTINES is mother's name)
Sex	Male
Nationality	Mexican
Race	White
Birth Data	September 7, 1918, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
Height	5' 6"
Weight	178
Build	Squat with large stomach
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Social Security Number	[REDACTED] (in name SALVADOR ACEVEDO)
California Drivers License or Car Wife	None EMILIA MIRANDA, Mariano Jimenes Number 44, Guadalajara, Mexico (lives here with their five children)
Residence	322 West 38th Street, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 6
Previous residences	1635 West 23rd Street; 1421 Constance, Los Angeles, California
Employment	Host International, Inc., 201 World Way, Los Angeles (as dishwasher in Los Angeles International Airport Restaurant);
Previous Employment	International Hotel, Century Boulevard, Los Angeles; Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles
Brother	JOSE ACEVEDO MARTINES, 322 West 38th Street, Los Angeles, employed at International Hotel, Century Boulevard, Los Angeles (he is two years older than SALVADOR and was also born in Guadalajara)

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Other Relatives

SALVADOR directed Host International to send his check to him at O. Sanchez Number 215, Jiquilpan, Michoacan, Mexico

Labor Union

Cullinary Workers (believed to be Local 814, Santa Monica, California)

Based upon above information furnished by SALVADOR ACEVEDO, Special Agent DWIGHT W. MORRISON contacted Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, California, who immediately dispatched a unit. Investigators FRANKLIN QUILTER and CARL FISHER, Immigration and Naturalization Service, took custody of ACEVEDO at above restaurant.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 16, 1969

CHARLES D. WHITE, home address 127 Queen Street, Charleston, South Carolina, advised that he is presently a senior at St. Meinrad College and was very active as a student coordinator for the primary campaign to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He became very active during the primary campaign in Southern Indiana and subsequently went with Senator KENNEDY to Oregon and California.

He recalls being in the Ambassador Hotel Ballroom at Los Angeles, California, the night Senator KENNEDY was shot. WHITE stated that he stood at the lower left hand corner of the platform, facing the platform, during Senator KENNEDY's victory speech and at the time was with a friend ANDY T. EZZELL, 537 East 42nd Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, telephone number 283-6470. He and EZZELL were together the major part of the evening.

Towards the end of KENNEDY's speech, WHITE moved over to the right corner of the platform to be close to the Senator when he left the stage. It had been generally believed by the KENNEDY people that Senator KENNEDY would come off stage and enter the crowd but a sudden change in plans occurred and the Senator did not enter the crowd but proceeded towards the passage way into the kitchen area. Senator KENNEDY was approximately 25 feet in front of WHITE at the time he was shot. WHITE stated that people began screaming, mass confusion set in, and he didn't hear the shots or see anything. WHITE admitted that at the time of the shooting, when he realized what had happened, he became hysterical, began crying and fell in the passageway bumping his head on a corner of a door. He received a slight cut over his left eye and a friend, STEVE BANET, another student at St. Meinrad College, helped him out of the Ballroom into the Ambassador Hotel Lobby.

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Some KENNEDY aides, JOE HIGDEN being one in particular, inquired regarding WHITE's injury and when it was found out he had simply a cut, he received medical attention and remained in the lobby area. Later on he saw the police bringing Sirhan Sirhan out of the lobby. He stated he had never seen Sirhan before this. WHITE noted no unusual activity in the Ballroom area prior to the shooting incident and stated he had passed through the kitchen area of the Ambassador Hotel earlier that evening but noted nothing in particular.

WHITE furnished the following list of names of individuals from Saint Meinrad College who were very active in the campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and who were at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, the evening that he was shot:

STEVE BANET
MARK SULLIVAN
CHARLIE EDER
STEVE CHURCHWELL
BOB COTTER
JIM NICO

WHITE stated that he was closest to the scene and doesn't believe that any of the above individuals could furnish any additional information. WHITE stated that other individuals, who were very active in Senator KENNEDY's campaign but not from Saint Meinrad College were:

JOE HIGDEN, 3400 16th Street, Apartment 621
Washington D.C., telephone number area code
202-726-2825;

WALTER SHERIDAN, 20th and "L" Street, Wash-
ington D.C.;

RUSS DAVIS, 3939 West 82nd Street, Chicago,
Illinois;

KATHY CWIK, 7042 West 64th Place, Chicago,
Illinois;

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KENNETH F. FUSSELL, JR., 1650 Harvard Street, Northwest Washington D.C. (graduated from Saint Meinrad College, 1968, presently a teacher at Laurel Junior High School, Laurel, Maryland).

WHITE also furnished the January 17, 1969, issue of Life Magazine, which carried a picture on Page Number 22 (with an arrow) which indicated that the person pointed to by the arrow is Sirhan Sirhan. WHITE stated that he feels this is a picture of himself and also feels he recognizes the back of a head of his friend ANDY EZZELL as being also part of the picture. He knows this to be his photograph because he can place himself at the approximate position, to the left side of the platform upon which Senator KENNEDY was giving his victory speech, and can identify his friend ANDY EZZELL.

Date April 16, 1969

JAMES D. NICO, home address 4233 Apple Tree Lane, Lansing, Michigan, advised that he was a sophomore at Saint Meinrad College, Saint Meinrad, Indiana, and was a supporter and organizer for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY during the primary campaign in 1968. He was in Los Angeles, California, with Senator KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel the evening he was shot. NICO stated he was waiting in the Ballroom for approximately an hour and one-half at the Ambassador Hotel with DAN KING, upper Mount Vernon Road, Evansville, Indiana, who is presently a student at the Indiana State University Extension at Evansville, for Senator KENNEDY's victory speech.

NICO stated he and KING stayed for approximately half of the victory speech and went inside when he left and went to the Cave Bar at the Ambassador to see the Righteous Brothers. NICO stated he had no recall of ever seeing Sirhan Sirhan that evening before or after the shooting.

NICO stated that he next recalled a man rushed into the Cave Bar and asked for a doctor. NICO then went to the Ballroom and just observed a lot of confusion but couldn't really tell what happened. He next observed Senator KENNEDY being placed in an ambulance and also observed CHUCK WHITE, KATHY GWIK and her fiance RUSS DAVIS.

NICO then walked around alone for a while around the main floor area where the Ballroom was and proceeded to the Rafferty Headquarters where he called his parents in Lansing, Michigan, and advised them of what had happened. It was then approximately 5 am in Lansing, Michigan.

Later on that same morning, NICO stated he went to a room where an alleged KENNEDY aide who seemed to have more information on the shooting than anyone else there, was eating and drinking and making merry. He did not know the in-

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dividual's name. The individual stated, "Senator Kennedy's aides did not know he was to proceed through the kitchen and that if they had known, they would have been in front of him." This individual further stated that the plans had been changed suddenly at the last minute, and that had he known plans, he could have been in front of KENNEDY. This individual further stated he was with KENNEDY when he was shot, he grabbed at the fellow with the gun, and helped RAFAEL JOHNSON disarm the individual and later hit a cameraman who got in the way. NICO stated this individual, who indicated he was a close KENNEDY aide, was well dressed and had an Eastern accent, from New York or Boston, and appeared to be very nervous. The big question in NICO's mind was if he was the KENNEDY aide, why was he there at the Ambassador Hotel with the low ratio on aides and organizers and workers and if he was not an aide, if he was a phony, what was his true identity. NICO stated that he had no particular reason to think that this individual was involved in any sort of conspiracy, however, he was acting in a very aloof and unmessed manner in the situation when everyone else was hysterical and very saddened and this perplexed NICO along with quite a few of the other KENNEDY workers.

He described this individual as being a white, male, age approximately 30 to 32, 6'2" tall, 195 pounds, medium build, black hair (straight and short), dark eyes, very well dressed, characteristics - stuttered and blushed very noticeably.

NICO stated that other individuals who noticed this person were JIM C. BAILEY, 6039 Northeast 30th Street, Portland, Oregon, telephone number 284-2954, and JOHN PUTZ, of Fowler, Indiana.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/1/69

JAMES C. BAILEY, residence address 260 South 156th Street, was interviewed at his place of employment, Ben Bridges Jewelers, Fourth and Pike Streets.

Mr. BAILEY advised that to the very best of his recollection he did not see JAMES NICO on the night that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated.

Mr. BAILEY advised that on the night of the assassination, possibly four or five hours after the assassination occurred, he and approximately six other persons slept in a room which had been obtained for them at the Ambassador Hotel and he said that this was a sleeping room only and there were no eats or drinks consumed by anyone in this room. He said that the campaign workers who were staying in this particular room were all from Indiana or Oregon.

Mr. BAILEY recalled that there was a room used by the campaign workers and the aides of KENNEDY in the press room on the main floor of the Ambassador Hotel but he has no memory whatsoever of any person being in this press room who answered the description as given by JAMES NICO who did not seem to be concerned about KENNEDY's assassination.

Mr. BAILEY advised that during the campaign he had met another young man whom he knows only by the first name of "JIM" and this young man was a bonafide friend and close associate of the KENNEDY family and had acted as a "front man" during the campaign. BAILEY said that this young man would usually be in the party close to ETHEL KENNEDY.

According to BAILEY, he assumes that this was the young man of whom JAMES NICO was speaking as this young man whom he knew only as "JIM" did have short black hair and was approximately 28 years of age, with a medium build; and this young man had black hair which was straight and short. BAILEY said that the only difference he can tell in the description as given by NICO and his own recollection is that this particular person was no more than six feet tall. BAILEY advised that it was his recollection that this young man came from the East Coast, possibly from near Boston, and this young man did have a tendency to grope for his words but he did not actually stutter.

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by SA VERNON P. COYNE (A)/djz Date dictated 5/1/69

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Continuing, BAILEY advised that he has no memory of ever seeing this "JIM" on the night of the assassination.

In conclusion, BAILEY advised that he has no knowledge whatsoever of anyone being associated with the KENNEDY family or the KENNEDY campaign who was not shocked and horrified about the events that occurred on the night of the assassination.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date May 22, 1969

STEPHEN J. BANET, home address Rural Route 1, Box 40, Floyds Knobs, Indiana, advised he is a sophomore at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana, and that he worked as an organizer and a field worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY during the summer and spring of 1968. He was in the Embassy ballroom in the Ambassador Hotel the night Senator KENNEDY was shot. He stated there was no evidence of conspiracy and he heard or saw nothing to indicate such.

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May 22, 1969

Date

MARK L. SULLIVAN, 1920 South Union Street, Kokomo, Indiana, advised that he is presently a sophomore at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana. During the spring and summer of 1968, he was a precinct worker in the Primary campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. SULLIVAN stated that he was in the Embassy ballroom at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, the night of June 5, 1968, when Senator KENNEDY was shot, that there was no evidence of any conspiracy, and that he neither saw nor heard anything to indicate a conspiracy.

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1Date May 22, 1969

CHARLES R. EDER, home address Rfd. Number 4, North Vernon, Indiana, advised that he is a sophomore at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana, and was a worker and an organizer in the Primary campaign the spring and summer of 1968 for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He stood at the podium in the Embassy ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, the night of June 5, 1968, when the Senator was shot and waited for four hours to hear the Senator's speech. He stated he had no evidence that there was a conspiracy to murder the Senator and he neither saw nor heard anything which would indicate there was a conspiracy.

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1Date May 22, 1969

STEPHEN T. CHURCHWELL, home address 200 North Staley Street, Carmi, Illinois, advised that he is presently a sophomore at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana. He worked as an organizer and worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY during the Primary campaigns in the spring and summer of 1968. He stated he was in Los Angeles in the Ambassador Hotel on the evening the Senator was shot, and that he saw nothing nor heard nothing which would indicate a conspiracy. He stated that there was only mass confusion and that he knows of no one that does have any proof of a conspiracy.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 27, 1969

ANDREW TIPTON EZZELL, 537 East 42nd Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, now employed by the Trans-Century Corporation, Washington, D.C., advised he graduated from St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana, on May 16, 1968. He stated he attended St. Mary's Seminary, 5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, from September, 1968, to May 19, 1969, and will return to the seminary at St. Mary's in the Fall of 1969.

EZZELL stated after he graduated from St. Meinrad College in May, 1968, he went to Portland, Oregon, where he campaigned for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and about May 25, 1968, he went to Los Angeles, California, where he stayed at the Sky Villa Motel in the western part of Los Angeles. He recalled on the night of Senator KENNEDY's assassination at the Ambassador Hotel, he attended Mr. KENNEDY's speech in the Press Room at the hotel and he and others were permitted to go to the kitchen area near the Press Room by DON DOWD, KENNEDY's campaign manager in Los Angeles. He stated after he and many others were in the kitchen area, he recalled Senator KENNEDY came to that area near the Press Room after his speech about midnight, June 5, 1968, and it was very noisy and people were milling all over the room. He advised he did not hear any shot or shots, but heard from people around him that four or five people had been shot. He inquired if Senator KENNEDY had been shot and he was informed he had not been shot, so he left the room to look for one of his friends.

EZZELL stated he later heard Senator KENNEDY had been shot and he was very saddened about the occasion.

EZZELL commented at no time did he have any indication of any possible conspiracy or did he see or hear anything in the Ambassador Hotel on the night of the shooting indicating conspiracy.

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June 27, 1969

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ROBERT J. COTTER, 10249 Ronald Court, Indianapolis, Indiana, employed during the Summer of 1969 at the Stark Wetzel Company, Inc., Indianapolis, advised he will be a Senior at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana, in September, 1969.

COTTER stated that on May 17, 1968, he left Evansville, Indiana, for the State of Oregon at Portland, where he worked in ROBERT F. KENNEDY's campaign there. He advised on May 29, 1968, he left Portland, Oregon, for Los Angeles, California, and upon his arrival at Los Angeles, he stayed at the Sky Villa Motel. At about 9:00 P.M. or 10:00 P.M., June 4, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech at the Embassy Room of the hotel. COTTER advised he was not permitted to enter the Embassy Room, so he went to a room one floor under above named room and watched the speech on a television set. He recalled the program went off the television set and then it came back on and he saw people trying to go everywhere and there was mass confusion. He stated someone yelled for a doctor and it sounded like a number of people had been shot. He advised he did not know Senator KENNEDY had been shot until they announced it on television.

COTTER stated he walked around the hotel for a while looking for some of his friends, they then went to their car and returned to their motel at about 2:30 A.M., June 5, 1968.

COTTER advised at no time did he have any indication of any conspiracy in the Ambassador Hotel on the night of the shooting.

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DANIEL P. KING, 4300 Upper Mount Vernon Road,
advised as follows:

He is presently a student at Indiana State University, Evansville Extension, and formerly was a student at St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana. During the summer of 1968, he worked as an organizer and field worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and was in Los Angeles on June 5, 1968, when the Senator was shot. KING stated that he had no indication at the time of any conspiracy and saw or heard nothing in the Ambassador Hotel on the night of the shooting indicating conspiracy.

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On 5/12/69 at Evansville, Indiana

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 30, 19691

LARRY DAKER, 115 Woodland, furnished the following information:

He is presently a student at the University of Dayton having transferred from St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana. He was with a group of students from St. Meinrad who accompanied Senator ROBERT KENNEDY to Portland, Oregon, and to Los Angeles, California.

He had left the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles just prior to the time Senator KENNEDY was shot. He did not observe the shooting, and at no time did he observe SIRHAN SIRHAN. He has no knowledge of any conspiracy upon the life of Senator KENNEDY.

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On 4/25/69 at Dayton, Ohio File # 175-6
by SA CLAIR W. RITCHEY, JR. / jms Date dictated 4/28/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/27/69

KENNETH F. FUSSELL, 1650 Harvard Street, N.W. advised that during the KENNEDY campaign he assisted as a helper at Evansville, Indiana; Portland, Oregon and Los Angeles, California. He stated in 1968 he was attending St. Meinrad Seminary when the KENNEDY Campaign Organizer requested assistance in Oregon and California. About 40 of their students, including himself, went to Portland to assist in this campaign. Their duties consisted essentially of door-to-door canvassing to solicit votes for ROBERT F. KENNEDY. FUSSELL mentioned that Senator KENNEDY paid for the air travel to and from the west coast, and they more or less paid for their own room and board while in Oregon and California.

At the time of the shooting, FUSSELL stated that he was in the lower ballroom beneath the Embassy ballroom on June 5, 1968. FUSSELL stated he observed nothing of a pertinent nature concerning the shooting and has never observed SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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On 6/26/69 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 173-135

by SA PHILIP E. COGHLAN:kcb Date dictated 6/27/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/5/691

KATHY CUIK, 7042 West 64th Place, Chicago, was interviewed at her residence. She advised she was one of a group of students from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, who worked on Senator KENNEDY's campaign in Indiana and in Missouri. She advised she and RUSS DAVIS also went to Oregon and California to work in the Senator's primaries in those states.

She advised she did not stay in the Ambassador Hotel and was working out of a KENNEDY headquarters located on Wilshire Boulevard.

She stated the night Senator KENNEDY was assassinated, she and RUSS DAVIS had gone to the Ambassador to find B. J. WARREN who was to advance them some money to return to Chicago. She advised she watched the Senator's victory speech in the Senator's suite with RUSS DAVIS and B. J. WARREN and left the apartment before the Senator was shot. She advised she was first aware of what was happening after they got off the elevator and were confronted with all the confusion that followed the shooting.

She advised she did not recall seeing the subject before or after the shooting. She advised RUSS DAVIS was presently in the Marine Corps.

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On 6/3/69 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 89-61

by SA NELSON E. ROSE/nam Date dictated 6/3/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date February 5, 1969

JOHN PUETZ, home address 402 East 6th Street, Fowler, Indiana, Indiana University (IU) Campus address Room 105, Willkie South, stated he had just transferred to IU from St. Meinrad College, St. Meinrad, Indiana.

PUETZ recalled that he had been with a group of students from St. Meinrad, who accompanied Senator ROBERT KENNEDY to Portland, Oregon, and to Los Angeles, California. At the time of the assault on Senator KENNEDY, PUETZ was in the vestibule at the main entrance to the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. He stated he did not hear of the assault until he got downstairs to the room, where their group were to meet with Senator KENNEDY. He then heard of the assault from the news media.

He advised he never saw SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at any time and advised he had no knowledge of any conspiracy upon the life of Senator KENNEDY.

He stated the only person he knew who had actually been in the Embassy Room prior to the assault was LARRY DAKER, whose home is in Chicago, Illinois, and who transferred from St. Meinrad College to Dayton University, Dayton, Ohio.

He had not seen DAKER subsequent to the tragedy and had no information concerning DAKER's exact location at the time of the assault. He stated he knew DAKER had been in the Embassy Room, because he observed him on one of the television monitors, during the meeting prior to the assault.

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by SA GEORGE H. ASDELL -plp Date dictated 2/4/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

May 2, 1969

Date_____

JOHN PUETZ, Indiana University, campus residence Room 105, Willkie South, residence address Fowler, Indiana, advised he was in the vestibule of the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, when he was told that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. He recalled that several hours later he was in the Fress Room of the Ambassador Hotel, possibly Room 109, with JAMES D. NICO, a student at Saint Meinrad College, Saint Meinrad, Indiana.

He recalled there were two men in the room who said they were KENNEDY aides.

He stated he believed the name of one of these men was GARY (phonetic) and he believed GARY was the one who stated he believed he could have saved the life of Senator KENNEDY if he had jumped between the Senator and the assailant who had a gun.

He stated he believed the other individual who stated he was a KENNEDY aide had the charge number and charged for food and drinks for other individuals in the room, so that these charges were placed on the KENNEDY bill.

He recalled that both of these individuals were white males, however, he could not specifically describe them further.

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On 4/29/69 at Bloomington, Indiana

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SA GEORGE H. ASDELL

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4/30/69

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 20, 1969

Second Lt. RUSSELL F. DAVIS, Box 485-TBS10-69, K Company, 2nd Platoon, Marine Corps Base, home of record 3939 West 82nd Street, Chicago, Illinois, present address with wife LINDA, Apartment 120, Box 148-K. Colinade Courts, Rural Route 1, Stafford, Virginia, was interviewed and advised the following information:

He was one of a group of students from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, who worked on Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's Presidential campaign. He advised that he was in the State of California at the time of the KENNEDY assassination for the purpose of assisting in his campaign in that state.

DAVIS advised that while in Los Angeles he was staying at a small motel in the Los Angeles area, the name of which he could not remember, but was working out of the KENNEDY Headquarters located at Wilshire Blvd.

He stated that on the evening Senator KENNEDY was assassinated, he was at the Ambassador Hotel with KATHY CWIK. He stated that he and CWIK observed the KENNEDY victory speech and then left the apartment before the Senator was shot. DAVIS said that the first inclination he had concerning the fact that something was wrong occurred when he and KATHY CWIK got off one of the elevators and observed the confusion which was present in the hotel.

DAVIS stated that he did not recall seeing either Senator KENNEDY or SIRHAN B. SIRHAN after the shooting, but stated that he thinks he remembers observing three short, dark, possibly Puerto Rican, individuals being lead away by the Los Angeles Police Department.

DAVIS advised that he could offer no further information concerning the assassination.

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On 6/18/69 at Quantico, Virginia File # AX 42-392

by SA OLIVER J. ZINK, Jr./dks Date dictated 6/19/69

1Date 10/11/68

On October 10, 1968, JUSTIN MOORHEAD, Head Resident, Wylie Hall, Occidental College, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 256-9253, was interviewed at his residence in regards to any information he might possess concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

Mr. MOORHEAD stated that he does not know how his name ever came up as having been a person at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles at the time of the KENNEDY shooting. He stated that he was not registered at the Ambassador Hotel during the time of the California Primary and he was not present at the Ambassador Hotel when the Senator was shot.

Mr. MOORHEAD stated that he had worked at the KENNEDY headquarters in Los Angeles and all of the persons who had worked at the headquarters were invited to attend the celebration scheduled for the Ambassador Hotel with Senator KENNEDY.

Mr. MOORHEAD stated that he did not attend the celebration and was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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On 10/10/68 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 56-156-121
by USA FREDRICK E. BECKER/rse Date dictated 10/10/68

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Miss LINDA LOUISE ELLIOTT, Apartment 16, 6632 Abrego Road, Goleta, California, home address 301 Broadway, Alameda, California, advised that on the day of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's assassination she had gone to Los Angeles from Goleta with a group of thirty to forty KENNEDY student supporters and workers from the University of California at Santa Barbara, which she currently attends. The UCSB group took a suite in the Ambassador Hotel for the night because they did not want to drive back to Goleta the same night. At the time of the shooting Miss ELLIOTT was in the UCSB suite watching the victory celebration on television. She had no firsthand information concerning the incident and did not leave the suite until thirty minutes later when she accompanied Miss KAREN WEISSMAN, a UCSB student, to the lobby so that WEISSMAN could telephone her parents in Van Nuys. She and WEISSMAN then drove to the WEISSMAN residence at 5926 Colbath, Van Nuys, where they spent the rest of the night. WEISSMAN would have no firsthand information about the shooting because she, too, was in the suite at the time, according to Miss ELLIOTT.

Another member of the UCSB group was in the Ambassador banquet room at the time of the shooting, was interviewed by the television media shortly after the shooting, and would have more firsthand information regarding it, according to Miss ELLIOTT. This person was Miss VALERIE SCHULTE, home address 466 South Clark, Beverly Hills. She is believed to be re-registered at UCSB this quarter and may be living on Del Playa Road, Goleta. Miss ELLIOTT believed that SCHULTE had already been interviewed by the FBI, however.

Miss ELLIOTT could not remember the number of the suite rented at the Ambassador, but stated that one ROGER ARBUCKLE of the UCSB KENNEDY group, had rented the suite. Neither he nor any other member of the UCSB group would have any firsthand information of the shooting, according to Miss ELLIOTT.

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by SA GORDON B. PLAYMAN/fnd Date dictated 10/4/68

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1. With reference to FBI report dated 19 DEC 68, please be informed that the requested investigation was conducted as follows.

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2. Mr. Stanislaw PRUSZYNSKI was interviewed at 21 Crescent, Apt. 4, Montreal, Quebec. Mr. PRUSZYNSKI readily informed that he had followed Senator Robert F. KENNEDY during the American election campaign, along with some twenty other reporters. At the time, he was reporting the events for HARPER & ROW LTD, PUBLISHERS, 35 Great Russell Street, London, W.C.1., telephone Museum 1343/4. Mr. PRUSZYNSKI explained that he was following Senator KENNEDY inside the Ambassador Hotel from a distance of approximately 10 to 15 yards, with other reporters in the crowd. After leaving the Embassy room, he was a short distance in the hallway leading to the kitchen when the commotion and confusion began over the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. He forced his way through the crowd into the kitchen area, and, saw Sirhan Bishara SIRHAN being subdued by several persons a short distance from Senator KENNEDY who laid, wounded, on the floor. During the commotion and confusion that existed while SIRHAN was being apprehended, he saw the assailant who still had the revolver in his hand and it was being pointed aimlessly at the crowd during the struggle. Momentarily, he became anxious to assist; however, the assailant was quickly disarmed and subdued by several persons.

3. Mr. PRUSZYNSKI readily admitted that he had made a tape recording which he produced without hesitation. He explained that the tape contained a recording of the commotion and reaction of the crowd, including interviews with different persons in attempts to obtain precise information on the assassination for assessment and actual reporting.

4. Apart from the above, Mr. PRUSZYNSKI maintained that he had no material of interest on record, taped or written. He had not witnessed the assassination of Senator KENNEDY because he was behind, in the crowd, as previously explained. Mr. PRUSZYNSKI tried to play the tape. Unfortunately, his recorder was not functioning properly and the recording could not be heard for comments. Nevertheless, his full cooperation was extended to the point that this tape can be heard when his recorder is repaired and that the tape can be duplicated, if necessary.

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Stanis PRUSZYNSKI
 Potential witness in the
 Assassination of Senator Robert K. KENNEDY

5. The presence of reporter PRUSZYNSKI at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, was no doubt arranged through proper channels of the press. His occupation and employment is his valid reason for being there at the time of the assassination. His presence was certainly well known at all times to all other reporters and no doubt by the Kennedy Committee. Considering that PRUSZYNSKI did not witness the assassination and his tape recorder is an aftermath of the tragedy, further action appears unwarranted here unless the F.B.I. would be interested in the tape available from this reporter for comparison purposes. Reporter PRUSZYNSKI could not recall seeing any suspect activities in the crowd and could not supply information of particular interest.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING
KHAIBAR KHAN, FORMERLY KNOWN AS
KHAIBAR GOODARZIAN, AND FAMILY

KHAIBAR KHAN and certain members of his family have been previously reported to have done voluntary work at the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY Presidential Campaign headquarters in Los Angeles during the first four days of June, 1968.

On January 30, 1969, Mr. JAMES H. BUSSELLE, Investigative Division, United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Los Angeles, advised the following concerning KHAIBAR KHAN and family:

KHAIBAR KHAN, according to INS records, is under deportation proceedings as are members of his family. They have applied for suspension of deportation from the United States to Iran under Section 244 (a) (1) under the INS Act. Hearings in connection with these applications are still pending. All were charged with violation of Section 241 (a) (2), overstayed non-immigrant visitors and students. The family are named as follows together with their respective INS, Los Angeles, file numbers:

(GOODARZIAN), KHAIBAR KHAN
INS Number All [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), TALAT KHAN
Divorced spouse
also known as
Talat Scandani
INS Number [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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(GOODARZIAN), ROUGHANGIZ ROUHI KHAN

Also known as

Rose Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), FARAHANGIESE KHAN

Also known as

Farah Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), AMIER BAKHTIAR KHAN

Also known as

Bob Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), AMIER KHOSROW KHAN

Also known as

Mike Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), AMIER HUSSIN KHAN

Also known as

Todd Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

(GOODARZIAN), SHIRIN KHAN

Also known as

Sherry Khan

INS Number [REDACTED]

Copies of photographs of KHAIBAR KHAN's family submitted with applications to suspend deportations in August of 1968 were obtained and also a photograph of KHAIBAR KHAN taken in 1965.

Concerning the case of MARYAM KOUCHAN, secretary to KHAIBAR KHAN, who has also been referred to as MARYAM KOCHAN and MARIAM KUSHAN, she too is in the process of filing an application for suspension of deportation, however no photograph was available for her in her INS file, number [REDACTED]

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KHAIBAR KHAN and family were all born in Iran and admitted to the United States August 12, 1955 under "B-2 or E-1" status and have been out of status since at least 1963. They claimed no absences from the United States since their 1955 admission. At the time KHAIBAR KHAN's family appeared voluntarily at the Los Angeles INS Office to apply for suspension of deportation, they all denied any arrest or criminal record.

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Mr. KHAIBAR KHAN, who was reached through his Attorney JACK CORINBLIT, 3700 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, phoned SA LESLIE F. WARREN and advised the following:

With respect to the names of some of his children as recorded with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) that differ from names previously identified by, Mr. KHAN said:

AMIER BAKHTIAR GOODARZIAN had been known by that name until 1958 when Mr. KHAN started to use the name of KHAN, a change he made legal in 1959. This son is also known as PHILLIPPE KHAN and BOB KHAN.

AMIER KHOSROW GOODARZIAN is now known as MIKE KHAN and J. C. KHAN.

[REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED], now age 12 years, was born in the United States.

Mr. KHAN said he had retained the name of GOODARZIAN in the INS records as property owned by him in Teheran, Iran was in the name of GOODARZIAN. He mentioned that the property in Teheran which he formerly rented to the United States State Department was in the name of SAHPOUR GOODARZIAN, and he had been challenged on this by the Internal Revenue Service. They had claimed this property had been a gift to this son and he was subject to a gift tax.

Mr. KHAN related he had been harrassed by various agencies of the U. S. Government and was under deportation proceedings at present. While he could leave the United States, he did not plan to and had applied for a stay of the deportation of himself and family. He intended to stay here and resolve the allegations against him for the benefit not only himself but for his family. To leave now might cast some suspicion on him particularly as a result of the involvement of himself and family in the investigation of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. In the

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interest of justice, he is willing to cooperate with the FBI in their investigation of this matter when in his judgment it is not against the best interest of himself and family. In view of his troubles with other U. S. Government agencies, he will evaluate each situation as it comes up. Meanwhile, he does not desire to disclose where he is living and if it is necessary to contact him, he can be reached through his attorneys, Mr. CORINBLIT or Mr. DAVID CARLINER, 901 Warner Building, Washington, D. C., who represents him in the INS and other proceedings.

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Mrs. ELLENORE SEVERSON, also known as Mrs. Bertol Charles Severson, housewife, 12409 Helena Street, Los Angeles, telephone number GR 6-2909, related the following:

Mrs. SEVERSON was advised that this interview was being conducted to supplement the previous interview of her by the FBI on June 6, 1968 and concerned KHAIBAR KHAN about whom she had furnished information in the previous interview. She having reported that Mr. KHAN had brought in a number of young persons to do voluntary work at the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, between June 1 and 4, 1968. Mrs. SEVERSON stated that she recalled the information which she had furnished and felt that she would have a good recollection of KHAIBAR KHAN and the young persons who had accompanied him to the campaign headquarters.

A number of photographs including the photographs of KHAIBAR KHAN's family including his divorced wife taken in 1968 plus a 1965 photograph of KHAIBAR KHAN, which had been obtained from the Immigration and Naturalization Service records in Los Angeles, were exhibited to Mrs. SEVERSON.

With respect to the photographs exhibited, Mrs. SEVERSON selected certain photographs of persons she thought she had observed before and made the following comments:

PHOTOCOMMENTKHAIBAR KHAN

"I can readily identify that this is a photograph of KHAIBAR KHAN who frequented the ROBERT F. KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters during the first few days of June 1968. He at that time wore his hair long and had long side burns and his face was not quite as full as it is in the photograph."

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ROUGHANGIZ ROUHI KHAN,
also known as
Rose Khan

SHARIN KHAN

AMIER KHOSROW KHAN
Also known as
Mike Khan

AMIER HUSSIN KHAN,
Also known as
Todd Khan

With respect to photographs exhibited to Mrs. SEVERSON, that of TALAT KHAN, divorced wife of KHAN, and AMIER BAKHTIAR KHAN, also known as Bob Khan, Mrs. SEVERSON stated:

COMMENT

"This photograph appears to be that of a young girl who was with the KHAIBAR KHAN group at the campaign headquarters and who was wearing a blond wig".

"This photograph very closely resembles the young girl who was with the KHAIBAR KHAN group at the campaign headquarters and who was on crutches." "Yes, I'm positive this is the girl."

"This appears to be a photograph of a girl who was a volunteer worker during the early part of June at the campaign headquarters, but I cannot associate her with the KHAIBAR KHAN group."

"This photograph resembles a young man who was observed around the campaign headquarters at about the same time KHAIBAR KHAN's group was there, but I cannot be positive that he was a member of the group."

"This is very definitely a photograph of one of the young men who was with the KHAIBAR KHAN party at the campaign headquarters."

"I do not recall seeing anyone resembling TALAT KHAN or BOB KHAN."

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Mrs. SEVERSON recalled she had, on June 6, 1968, identified a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, as being a photograph of the young man she had observed near the front door of the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters in Los Angeles about 2:00 PM June 2, 1968. When asked by volunteer worker, LARRY STRICK, if he could help him, the young man had said "I'm with him", pointing toward KHAIBAR KHAN.

Mrs. SEVERSON said she had not changed her mind and still was of the opinion that it was SIRHAN SIRHAN who had been standing near the door of the campaign headquarters in the afternoon of Sunday, June 2, 1968 at about 2:00 PM.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mrs. SEVERSON and she commented that she had confirmed her opinion that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been in the campaign headquarters standing near the door at about 2:00 PM on June 2, 1968.

It was also related by Mrs. SEVERSON following examination of photographs of SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN, taken by the Pasadena, California Police Department December 18, 1963, that this looked like a photograph of a young man she had seen around the campaign headquarters during the first few days of June 1968, but she could not make a specific identification.

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Mrs. ELLENORE SEVERSON, on January 30, 1969, identified a photograph of ROSE KHAN. Immigration and Naturalization (INS) Number [REDACTED] as being a photograph of the young girl on crutches who had come to the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters in Los Angeles, with KHAIBAR KHAN between June 1-4, 1968.

KHAIBAR KHAN during interview, June 11, 1968, referred to MARYAM KOUSHAN (INS Number [REDACTED] as MARYAM KOUSHAN, his half sister. He said MARYAM had used the name of ROSE KHAN when booked into the Los Angeles County General Hospital, about six months previous, following being thrown from a horse. MARYAM KOUSHAN was on crutches June 11, 1968 at the time of this interview with KHAIBAR KHAN, which was conducted in her presence. MARYAM KOUSHAN, during interview, June 18, 1969, said she had used the spelling of MARYAM KOUSHAN when registering as a volunteer worker at the Senator KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters. She had been booked into the Los Angeles County General Hospital following her recent injury by KHAIBAR KHAN as ROSE KHAN for security reasons as Mr. KHAN was the leader of the opposition to the Shah of Iran, among Iranians in the United States and was apprehensive of political and possibly physical reprisals.

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LAURENCE DAVID STRICK, Phelan Hall, University of San Francisco, was shown photographs of the following individuals:

KHAIBAR GOODARZIAN, aka Khaibar Khan
AMIER BAKTIAR GOUDARZIAN, aka Amier Baktiar Khan,
Phillipe Khan, Bob Khan
AMIER HUSSIN GOODARZIAN, aka Amier Hussin Khan, Todd Kahn
TALAT GOODARZIAN, aka Mrs. Khaibar Goodarzian, Mrs. Khaibar
Khan, Mrs. Talat Khan, Mrs. Talat Scandani
SHIRIN GOODARZIAN, aka Shirin Khan, Sherry Khan
FARANGIESE GOODARZIAN, aka Khan, Fara Khan
ROUHANGIZ ROUHI GOODARZIAN, aka Khan, Rose Khan

After viewing the above photographs, STRICK stated that he recognized the photograph of KHAIBAR KHAN as definitely being the individual who was doing voluntary work at the KENNEDY headquarters in Los Angeles. He stated that the only other photograph he recognized is that of ROUHANGIZ ROUHI GOODARZIAN, also known as Rose Khan. He stated that the photographs of the sons of KHAIBAR KHAN are definitely not the individuals whom he believes to be SIRHAN. He said their features are somewhat similar, but in his own mind he still believes that it was SIRHAN who was with KHAIBAR KHAN on June 2, 1968.

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FILE # I-59

Person(s) Interviewed: Sweeney, Margarote (Mrs)Date June 25, 1968Time- 8: 7:30PMBusiness Address & Phone NoneResidence Address & Phone 20055 Wells Dr, Woodland Hills, Phone DI 79910

Fo Gaur 5'7 165 DOB [REDACTED] Lt Brown Hair, Brown eyes.

Information (To be complete the report should include: Who, What, When, Where, Why, & How)

Interviewed at informant's home at the abv date and time.

Informant was in charge of the volunteer workers at the Kennedy Hqs. On the eve of June 4th, 1968 she went to the Ambassador Hotel as a visitor only, she had no official tasks or functions. She arrived at the hotel at approx 7PM, and went to the Embassy Room shortly thereafter. At approx 9:00PM she began looking for her husband, Robert Dolson, by walking through the Embassy Room and the Lobby, finally arriving at the Press Room. She was at this location prior to, during the shooting and after it. She also observed Sirhan Sirhan, when he was led out of the hotel by the Uniformed Officers. Mrs Sweeney did not see Sirhan prior to that time, nor did she see any girl in a "Polkadot Dress". Mrs Sweeney stated she heard the shots and recognized them as shots. She originated from an area of much hunting. There were no private people taking pictures.

Persons in Hotel:

Mrs Robert Goodman, unk add (in Press Room) —
 1-Ries, phone 2685211 Ext 1078 (Press Room) *EW*
 2-Hardy, unk add (at stage and in hallway) *EW*
 3-Robert Dolson, 7676 Bella Vista, L.A. #6707982 *EW*
 4-Ms Evans, 2115 W Judith Av, Anaheim, #PR 23072 (Press Room) —
 5-Ms Esquith, unk add. Obtainable through Kennedy Hqs (door next to anchor desk) —
 6-Mr J. Beck, 100 Gilbs St, Rochester N.Y. (in L.A. through R. Farri, 2360 Canyon Dr, Hollywood) *EW*
 7-Mr Taylor, 231 - 1st St, Huntington Beach, unk phone. (Embassy Room) —
 8-Mrs. [REDACTED], phone GR62909 *EW*
 9-Mr Stich, unk add. Reached through Mrs Severson *EW*
 10-Mr [REDACTED], unk add or phone. (Embassy Room) *EW*
 11-Mr Honabry, 12000 Lemanda, L.A. #3903020 (Embassy Room) *EW*
 12-Mr Cooper, 6257 Coldwater Canyon, L.A. #7623391 *EW*
 13-Mr Foster, unk add. He is Asst Director L.A. Philharmonic. (unk loc at hotel) —
 14-Mr Harvey, 2206 Moray Av, San Pedro, unk phone. (unk loc at hotel) *EW*
 15-Mr Moretti, Assemblyman 47th Dist, phone 9850910 (Embassy Room) —
 16-Mr [REDACTED], unk add, works Firemen's Fund Insurance Co, Claims Supervisor. —
 17-Mr [REDACTED], unk add Mayor Yorty's Office. —
 18-Ms Smith, unk add. Bus 9511- 4th St, Inglewood, # 7551313. *EW*
 19-Mr Solter, 5532 N. Citrus, Covina, #ED90250. *EW*
 20-Mr & Mrs Owens, 3832 Palos Verdes Dr, North Palos Verdes Estates, #PR 5570 —
 21-Mr & Mrs Harvey Schachter, 4435 Longridge, Sherman Oaks, #7889320 *EW*
 22-Mr Gordon, 115 S Croft, L.A. #9386044. —
 23-Mr Jones, 914 N Beverly Glen, L.A. 24, #GR5-5206 *EW*

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 ry Lottay, unk add. Bus ETNA Life Insurance Co, San Diego Office, #6841200
 Ken Griffin, X unk add. Bus "New Image Club", ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ # 2936139. *I 829*
 Jan Foley, 12572 Washington Bl, L.A. Apt C, #3982206
 e Kaplan, 16520 Sunset Bl, Pacific Pal, no phone.

Sweeney further relates that FBI Spec Agent Dozett took the card file of all volunteer workers from the Kennedy Hqs. He returned this file minus the 10 to 15 of the arabian workers.

Sweeney was Supervisor of Mrs Sterns, File I-25, at the Kennedy Hqs. Sweeney states that in her opinion Mrs Stern is stupid, selfserving and is to say anything to focus attention upon herself. Mrs Sweeney further relates that she remembers the occasion of the three (3) Arabian Males and the Fe coming to the Hqs, June 4, 1968, at approx 9:00-9:30AM, and then speaking to Mrs Stern. Sweeney states that the older of the three men was Khaibar Khan, who was and out of the Hqs almost daily, bringing arabian volunteers. The Fe was Khan's "Sister". She was on crutches.

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 Sweeney started her work at the Kennedy Hqs on or about March 19, 1968. Her usual hours at the Hqs were from approx 9-9:30 AM to 4:00PM. She was at the Hqs every weekday and also on some Saturdays. On election day, June 4, 1968, Mrs Sweeney arrived at the Hqs at approx 7:30AM and remained there continuously till 4:00PM, when she took a short break for lunch, approx 30 Min, and returned. She relates that she obs the 4 Arabs, 3 Males and 1 Fe, of whom Mrs Sterns speaks, due to the attire of the 2 younger men, and poss conflict between them and any Jewish people coming to the Hqs, had the Arabs removed to the rear of the Hqs by her herself or some other regular Hqs worker.

Sweeney's desk was at the front of the Hqs, approx 30 feet west of the front entrance. Much of her time of the days, preceeding the election day, she spent on the main corridor, near the information desk. She relates that she heard some of the rumors of Sirhan coming to the Hqs, also the story of the guns, but was never inclined to take them too serious, knowing where the stories originated.

Sweeney says, that Mrs Sterns in fact seen anybody with guns in the Hqs at that time, she, Mrs Sterns would indeed have brought this "important" story to everybody's attention, right there and then. To the best of her knowledge, Mrs Sweeney never saw Sirhan Sirhan at the Kennedy Hqs.

IT IS OFFICER'S OPINION THAT Mrs SWEENEY DOES NOT BELIEVE THE STORY OF Mrs STERNS IN ANY SHAPE OR FORM.

INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-471

PERSON INTERVIEWED: STRICK, LARRY

DATE/TIME 7-29-68 345p

SEX M RACE Cauc HAIR Brn EYES H21 HT 5-8 WT 145 DOB [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 11930 Iredell, Studio City

PHONE TR7-6151

BUSINESS ADDRESS

PHONE

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

Larry Strick a volunteer worker for the Kennedy Campaign was interviewed in person at his home address. Larry stated that he worked at the headquarters almost every day that it was open. Larry normally left school at 2pm and would go directly to the campaign headquarters. Larry normally worked at the reception desk with Elly (Eleanor) Severson I#295.

On 6-2-68 Larry arrived at the headquarters at approx 10:30AM. Larry was assigned to work the reception desk with Elly. While working that day (6-2-68) at approx 2:30PM a man known as Khaibar Khan (I-216) walked in with two other males. Larry positively identified one of these two males as Sirhan B. Sirhan. This person ID by Larry did not walk up to the reception desk with Khaibar Khan and the other person, but stayed back by the main entrance. Larry asked this person (that Larry ID'd as Sirhan) if he (Larry) could help him and this person pointed to Khaibar Khan and stated, "No, I'm with him." Larry did not pay anymore attention to this person (that Larry ID'd as Sirhan). Larry did take Khaibar Khan and the person that came up to the reception desk, back into the telephone bank area. When Larry left the reception desk with Khaibar Khan and the other person, the person Larry ID'd as Sirhan was still standing by the main entrance doors. Larry described the person by the door as a male, olive complexion, longnose, bushy eyebrows, middle 20's, wearing dark colored pants, dark shoes, white button down shirt, light olive green button sweater. When Larry returned from the phone banks the person by the door was gone. Approx 5 minutes after Larry returned Elly Severson asked where Kennedy's itinerary was. Larry stated that just prior to leaving with Khaibar Khan that the itinerary was on the reception desk, but when Elly Severson asked where it was he couldn't find it, so he went and got another one. Larry was shown a packet of mugs and removed all three photos stating that he is positive that the person he saw on 6-2-68 at the headquarters and the mugs he had removed are the same person. Larry also removed the mug of Saidallah Sirhan stating that it looked familiar, but he was unable to remember where he had seen him.

On 6-5-68 at approx 5pm, he was watching a TV news cast when he first saw Sirhan's picture, and remembered that he had seen Sirhan 6-2-68 at the headquarters. Larry immediately tried to call Elly Severson, but her phone was busy. Larry had just hung up when Elly Severson

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called him. Elly stated, "Did you see the News?" Larry stated, "Yeah, he's the same guy that came in with Khaibar Khan Sunday." Elly then told Larry that she had called the FBI and wanted him to call the FBI and verify her story. Larry called the FBI and was subsequently interviewed by S.A. Warren. (No interview listed. Mentioned in July 1st sect III, Page 675) Larry stated that Elly Severson has asked him to keep her posted on what's happening.

Larry arrived at the Ambassador at 830pm 6-4-68. Larry went directly to the Embassy Room, but couldn't get in so he went down to the Ambassador Ballroom until approx 930pm. Larry then went back to the Embassy Room and had David Robinson I#323 get him into the Embassy Room. Larry stayed in the Embassy Room until approx 1130pm. At this time he went into the lobby and watched a TV monitor until Kennedy started his speech. Larry then went into the kitchen via the hallway past the men's room on a hunch that Kennedy would leave that way after the speech. Larry stated that he was at the west end of the ice machine (in the kitchen) when Kennedy came through the double swinging doors. Kennedy paused a moment and at this time Roosevelt Grier passed by Kennedy and continued walking east through the kitchen. Kennedy began moving forward again and Larry heard one shot and then four or five more shots in quick succession. Larry then saw somebody run by in front of him eastbound directly into Roosevelt Grier and Geo Plimpton. Larry believes this person was Sirhan, but never saw his face. Larry described the clothing as light colored pants, sweat shirt light in color possibly yellow, white or light shirt collar sticking up in back. Larry was in kitchen until after Sirhan was taken out, but didn't see him taken out. Larry stated that there was too big of a commotion to tell what was happening around Kennedy and Sirhan. Larry stated that Kennedy was just inside the double swinging doors when he was shot. Larry states that Sirhan was between he (Larry) and Kennedy. Larry also stated he left the Ambassador at approx 330am on 6-5-68.

Opinion & conclusion:

Larry was obviously not in the kitchen when Kennedy was shot because of the incorrect locations he gave for Roosevelt Grier, Sirhan B. Sirhan and Robert Kennedy. Larry stated that he was very familiar with the Embassy Room because he helped decorate it on 6-3-68. Larry was also in the Embassy Room and the kitchen area on 5-25-68 when Kennedy gave his speech in the Palm Court.

Larry seemed to have information that has been released by the news and no other details. At the time of the interview Larry acted as if he was prepared for a third degree. Apparently Elly Severson told him to be prepared. Larry's mother left the room during the interview, but could be seen standing by the doorway of the room where the interview was taking place. As Larry described the person he saw on 6-2-68 he continually looked at the mug lying on the table as if he was using it for the facial description. See attached Ambassador Hotel map with marking put on by Larry Strick.

On 8-2-68 At approx. 11pm, Larry Strick was contacted by telephone. During the conversation Larry stated he has now decided to submit to a polygraph examination. Larry stated that he will be out of town until 8-16-68. Larry stated that any day after 8-16-68 would be fine with him for taking the polygraph exam. Larry stated he will call as soon as he returns.

PERSON INTERVIEWED: STRICK, Larry David DATE/TIME 8-19-68 6:45 PM

SEX M RACE C HAIR Brn EYES Hbl HT 5-3 WT 145 DOB [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 11930 Iradell. Studio City PHONE TR 76151

BUSINESS ADDRESS None PHONE

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

Larry STRICK was re-interviewed concerning his statements made on 7-29-68 wherein he related that on 6-2-68 he observed Sirhan Sirhan in company with Khaibar Khan at Kennedy Campaign Headquarters, 5912 Wilshire Blvd., L.A. and further interviewed as to his observations in the kitchen area at the time Senator Kennedy was assassinated.

When re-interviewed on 8-19-68 Mr. STRICK without hesitation retracted his former statement and explained that he is not positive the person he saw in the Campaign Headquarters on 6-2-68 was Sirhan Sirhan. In fact when shown several mug shots, he was unable to identify Sirhan's new mug shot, stating that he did not look familiar at all.

Mr. STRICK again was questioned regarding his observations of the kitchen area at the time of the shooting. From his interpretations of the incident, investigating officers could only conclude that he was either not in the kitchen at the time of the shooting or his recollections of the incident is so vague and inconsistent with known, established facts, that he would be of no value as a witness.

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INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-295

Person(s) Interviewed: Severson, Eleanor (Mrs)

Date June 27, 1968

Time- 8:15PM

Business Address & Phone None

Residence Address & Phone 12409 Helena St. Brentwood, Calif. Phone #4762909

Information (To be complete the report should include: Who, What, When, Where, Why & How)

This interview was conducted at the home of the informant and on the abv date and time.

Description of informant: Fe Race 5'3 180 DOB [REDACTED] black hair haz eyes

On June 19, 1968, at approx 2:15PM an interview of an Estelle Sterns (I-25) was conducted, in which Sterns alleges that she on June 4, 1968 at approx 9:00 AM observed Sirhan Sirhan, in company of two (2) additional males and one (1) Fe at the Kennedy Election Hqs, 5615 Wilshire Bl. Sirhan and one other male, according to Sterns were carrying guns in shoulder holsters. Sterns description of the suspects is as follows:

- #1, Sirhan B. Sirhan, M-Jord 24, 5'3 med built, blk hair and drk eyes.
- #2. M-Jord 25, 5'5 med built, blk bushy hair, brn eyes, wearing blu windbreaker jacket, wht shirt, somewhat ruffled and worn appearing, drk slacks or lovis.
- #3. M-Jord 40/45, 5'6 stocky built, blk hair, graying at temples, extremely large nose, some looking, wearing a drk suit and tie.

Sterns further stated that these suspects entered the Hqs and came to her desk, where suspects 1 and 2 took chairs and sat opposite of her, while susp 3 addressed her. Susp 3 first asked Sterns for her name and the Senator's itinerary. Then, Susp 3 and Sterns talked about sports, golf, tennis and horses. Susp 3 then asked about the Bus schedule and if he could walk through the Hqs. He then left. Sirhan then began talking to Sterns, first asking if there was any coffee in the Hqs. Sterns confirmed and offered to get him a cup, whereupon Sirhan asked her (Sterns) to go out with him and offered to buy her a cup of coffee or a drink if she so desired. Sirhan also asked about the Kennedy itinerary. It was during this conversation with Sirhan that Sterns states she observed the guns, carried by Sirhan and the #2 susp.

Officer learned from Mrs Sweeney, File I-59 that on June 4, 1968, Mrs Severson, the abv informant, worked the desk with Sterns.

Mrs Severson gave the following statement:

"On June 4, 1968 I arrived at the Kennedy Hqs at approx 8:30AM, and was assigned to work the information desk with Mrs Sterns. I never left the desk till late in the afternoon. At no time did Mrs Sterns talk to two (2) young arabian men, and was she asked to go out for either coffee or a drink, nor was there anybody with guns at the desk. In my opinion Mrs Sterns is a feather brain, know it all, capable lady, who could not find enough reasons to make herself important to the other workers. She probably is making up this story to gain publicity. This man (susp #3) of whom Mrs Sterns spoke is a Mr Khan, known as "Goody", who worked in the Hqs. Mr Khan spoke to Mrs Sterns on Monday, June 3, 1968, and their conversation was about golf, and some other sports, as far as I can recall."

INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-25

PERSON INTERVIEWED: STERNS, Estelle (Mrs.) DATE/TIME 6-19-68 2:15 PM

F RACE C HAIR Blnd EYES Blu HT 5' WT 95 DOB [REDACTED] (Canada)

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 1136 S. Wooster #207, L.A. PHONE 271-8504

BUSINESS ADDRESS 816 S. Robertson Blvd., L.A. PHONE

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

Interview conducted at the home of the informant, at the above date & time.

Informant stated that she was a volunteer worker at the Kennedy Hdqts., 5615 Wilshire Blvd. L.A. She was a fund raiser and as such, occupied the 1st desk next to the front door.

On 6-4-68, at approx. 9 AM, she observed four (4) persons approach the front door to the Hdqts. Three (3) of these were males, and one (1) female. Mrs. STERNS describes them as follows:

- #1, Sirhan B. Sirhan, M-Jord 24, 5-3 med build with black, curly hair and dark eyes.
- #2, M-Jord 25, med build, black, bushy hair and brown eyes, wearing a blue windbreaker jacket, a white, somewhat ruffled and worn appearing shirt, and dark slacks or levis.
- #3, M-Jord 40/45, 5-6 stocky build, black hair, graying at the temples, extremely handsome looking, wearing a dark suit & tie.
- #4, Fe-Jord, early twenties, dark skinned as if suntanned, dark hair, worn shoulder length, wearing a white cloth coat or dress.

Mrs. STERNS stated that susp. 1, 2, and 3 entered the Hdqts., while #4 remained on the street, near the front door. Susps. 1 and 2 sat at her desk and spoke in a foreign language. Susp. 3 asked her for her name and the Senator's itinerary, also about the bus schedule. He made a \$3.00 contribution and asked permission to walk through the Hdqts. and left.

Sirhan and Susp. 3 then conversed with the informant, first asking if there was any coffee in the Hqs. Mrs. STERNS confirmed and offered to get some. Sirhan at this time, informant alleges, asked her to go out with him and offered to buy her a cup of coffee or a drink, if she so desired. She politely declined, and their conversation turned to the Kennedy itinerary, and his stand on civil rights.

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Mrs. STERNS further alledges that during her conversation with Sirhan and Susp. 2, she observed that both were carrying guns in shoulder holsters, underneath their left armpits. When she commented to them regarding the guns, Sirhan replied "Oh, that is just for self protection, what with all this racial trouble in and around Watts".

When Mrs. STERNS answered that the Hqs. was far from Watts, Sirhan, she alledges, replied "Well, we have them and anyway, we have permits for the guns".

Susps. remained at her desk a short while longer, then walked into the interior of the Hqs., and she lost sight of them.

Mrs. STERNS further states that she received an anonymous phone call, female voice, on June 5, 1968 at approx. 12:30 AM, stating "It's all over with".

After this phone call, she turned on the T.V. and for the first time learned of the shooting of Senator Kennedy.

On 6-6-68, at approx. 5-5:30 PM, she again received an anonymous call, this time a male voice, which sounded muffled, as if spoken through a towel, and with an accent of the middle east. The caller stated "Under no circumstances give out any information to anybody as to the number of people, or their activities at your desk on Tuesday (6-4-68)".

On 6-24-68, approx. 7:15 PM, Mrs. STERNS was re-interviewed at her home. She insisted on the correctness of her first statements, adding only some additional conversation, she claims to have had with Susp. 3, regarding a race horse, "My Beauty", and the training of horses. She also alledges that Susp. 3 showed her a picture, depicting him dressed in a white Arabian outfit, minus the turban, riding this horse.

Due to the enormousness of her statements, and after explaining to her the function of the polygraph, she was asked to submit to such an examination, to which she readily agreed. On 6-26-68, Mrs. STERNS, however, refused to come to the Police Dept. for a polygraph examination, stating "she was too busy working in a political campaign to come".

On 7-15-68, at approx. 9 PM, Mrs. STERNS was again re-interviewed by telephone. She still insisted that she saw Sirhan at the Kennedy Hqs. on June 4, 1968. When she was told that that was almost impossible due to Sirhan's other activities on that date, she suddenly changed her tone of voice, and very nastily answered "So you have all this information, and I made a mistake. What do I care". Mrs. STERNS then was asked if she now admits making a mistake regarding her observations at the Kennedy Hqs., to which she replied "No, I'm not going to admit anything. If I made a mistake, I'm not going to admit it now".

Mrs. STERNS has been described by fellow campaign workers as follows: She appears to be suffering from a persecution complex and a feeling of lack of importance; stupid, liable to say anything to focus attention to herself, and extremely excitable, and not to be taken too serious.

Mrs. STERNS gave the following named persons, present at the Kennedy Hqs. on 6-4-68, to verify her statements:

BERG, Larry (1)
"Myda" (2)
"Woody" (3)

Officer identified the above persons as follows:

(1) BECK, Larry Joe, Interviewed I-35
(2) FOOTE, Magdalena, Interviewed I-812
(3) KHAN, Khaibar, Interviewed I-216

The following persons were also at the Kennedy Hqs. on 6-4-68, and worked with and/or around Mrs. STERNS during the time, she alledges seeing Sirhan.

SWEENEY, Margarete, Interviewed I-59
LEOPOLD, Adele, Interviewed I-628
SEVERSON, Eleanor, Interviewed I-295

SWEENEY, FOOTE, BECK, LEOPOLD AND SEVERSON state that they observed the four (4) persons of whom Mrs. STERNS speaks, and identified them as Khaibar KHAN, his "lady friend" and some Arabian volunteer workers, neither of whom was Sirhan B. Sirhan.

LA 56-156

On May 13, 1969, Sergeant MIKE NIELSON, Los Angeles Police Department, SUS Unit, made available the results of a supplemental investigation conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department relative to previously conducted investigation concerning KHAIBAR KHAN.

Twenty-four names appeared on the volunteer worker cards submitted by Khaibar Khan at Kennedy Headquarters. The names were acquired by Khan through personal and telephonic interviews. Khan also used names of members of his family. Khan did not request identification or addresses from the volunteers he interviewed. He used his former wife's (Talat Khan) residential address, 10455½ Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, on all the cards he submitted. These names were checked through the telephone directory with negative results.

Khan also used the names of members of an organization known as the "United Patrons for Justice," of which he is the chairman. Khan stated that the organization is comprised of a group of men striving for a better Iran. These men were allegedly in Iran at the time the cards were submitted, but they were to be in the U.S. during the November election. He volunteered the services of his members without contacting them.

These names were checked through immigration for dates of entry and present whereabouts. Records show that none of these persons entered the U.S. between the period of June 1968 through December 1968. A total of 34 names were submitted by Khan, of which only members of his family could be located. Those interviewed were Rose, Shirin and Farah Khan (daughters), Philippe Menomm (son), Amir Khan (son) and Talat Khan (former wife). The subjects could offer no information regarding the investigation.

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LA 56-156

RADIO BROADCAST REGARDING ASSASSINATION
OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

It has previously been reported that various individuals traveling, particularly in the Middle East, alleged that they heard radio broadcasts concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY prior to the time that the actual event occurred. Investigation was conducted in foreign countries in an attempt to substantiate these reports. Through the Department of State, information was received that the Press and Cultural Attache at the Embassy at Prague queried individuals working for the State Radio station in Prague. Station officials denied ever having transmitted a bulletin suggesting that Senator KENNEDY had been assassinated on May 15, 1968.

One Embassy Officer did report hearing a newscast on approximately May 15, 1968, originating from Deutschland, "Funk". The station released the bulletin based on information received from a common news service. Several minutes later, a retraction was made, claiming the original report was not accurate reporting of an incident in which the Senator flinched from the glare of nearby flash bulbs. The possible report heard via broadcasting channels in Prague originating outside of "CSSA". The report reflects that the Embassy at Prague was unable to obtain further information on the origin of the report or facts which might shed additional information on the subject.