

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 12, 19681

Mrs. EMMA BANKS, 405 North Palm, Turlock, California, was interviewed in front of her residence. Mrs. BANKS, who is the daughter of Mrs. PENNA ESHOO of the same address, had been told to leave the house by Mrs. ESHOO upon the arrival of SA DONALD H. MOE. Mrs. BANKS stopped SA MOE on the street by stating, "don't believe anything she says."

Mrs. BANKS advised that her mother is in her late 60's, and has no knowledge of her actual age. She stated that her mother is totally uneducated and absorbs her time with television. In the words of Mrs. BANKS, Mrs. ESHOO was a "fanatic" in her devotion to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, was thrilled to see him, and was very bothered by his death. Mrs. BANKS stated that her mother is "old for her age," and, in the opinion of Mrs. BANKS, may be slightly mentally unbalanced. Mrs. BANKS states that she exaggerates considerably and apparently believed what she says.

Mrs. BANKS advised that she is absolutely positive that Mrs. ESHOO did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN at the Turlock Railroad Station on the date that Senator KENNEDY was in Turlock. She stated that Mrs. ESHOO did talk with Mrs. MARTHA MOOSHEY after returning from the railroad station about a "suspicious" person, but that from the conversation it was obvious that their suspicions were very vague. She advised that she heard Mrs. MOOSHEY state that the suspicious person said, "I can get a good shot from here," but that the conversation was to obviously exaggerated that she ceased listening to it. She discounted the story then, and discounts it now.

Mrs. BANKS advised that no credence whatsoever can be placed in anything that her mother says when describing any occurrence.

On 6/11/68 at Turlock, California File # SC 62-76

by SA DONALD H. MOE:ela

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Mrs. PENNA ESHOO, 405 North Palm, Turlock, California, was interviewed at her residence, furnishing information as follows:

Mrs. ESHOO advised that information given in prior interview was factual; however, Mrs. MARTHA MOOSHEY did not indicate that the person she saw at the train station in Turlock, California, "looked suspicious" until after the MOOSHEY's returned to the home of Mrs. ESHOO with Mrs. ESHOO. Mrs. MOOSHEY told Mrs. ESHOO in reference to the person that "looked suspicious" that she would "recognize him anywhere."

Mrs. ESHOO advises that this definitely was the person that she identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN from photograph, since both she and Mrs. MOOSHEY felt that he looked suspicious because of the heavy coat that he was wearing, and for no other reason. Mrs. ESHOO advised that she is absolutely certain that the person she saw was SIRHAN SIRHAN and no other person. Mrs. ESHOO advised that in addition, to the "tall boy" that she previously described as being with the person she believes was SIRHAN SIRHAN, she saw the person she believes was SIRHAN SIRHAN also speak to the leader of a small musical group that was at the station, saying to him also "let's go," just prior to departing the train station. She advised that this person was playing a "bugle" and that there was also a guitar player and a drummer. She stated that these persons had been heard by her to say that they were having trouble with the electricity and would not be able to play. She said that they also departed prior to the time the train arrived and did not play at the station. She said that she "suspicioned" these persons also and does not believe that anything was wrong with their electricity. She stated that she did not previously furnish this information since she was "nervous" from the questions and that thereafter, she told Mrs. SAVANNAH STONER about this and was told by her not to tell this to the FBI.

On 6/11/68 at Turlock, California File # SC
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date June 12, 1968

Mrs. SAVANNAH STONER, 330 North Palm, Turlock, California, furnished information as follows:

She initially call the FBI relative to information furnished by Mrs. PENNA ESHOO since Mrs. ESHOO indicated to her that her children had told her not to tell anyone about it and Mrs. ESHOO had indicated that she was so concerned that she had gone to the Turlock Police Department and no one there would listen to her. She stated that Mrs. ESHOO, who is totally uneducated, cannot read nor write and speaks very broken English, is excitable and prone to exaggerate. She stated that she tried to convince Mrs. ESHOO to tell no one other than law enforcement authorities to prevent the spread of rumor and gossip. She advised that she herself is unable to determine if Mrs. ESHOO is telling the truth and felt that the FBI should be notified in the event that there was a possibility that the matter was not exaggerated. She advised that Mrs. ESHOO had indicated to her that her daughter would "beat her" if she found out that Mrs. ESHOO had furnished information to the FBI.

Mrs. STONER stated that after the initial interview, and at no time did Mrs. ESHOO mention to her any contact by the "suspicious" person, that Mrs. ESHOO has indicated was SIRHAN SIRHAN, with any musician or orchestra leader. She stated that contrary to what Mrs. ESHOO has said, she advised Mrs. ESHOO to furnish every bit of information in her possession to the FBI.

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by SA DONALD H. MOE:kba

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (62-76) (P)
RE: KENSALT

Re Bureau teletype to Sacramento, 6/7/68;
Sacramento teletype to Bureau, 6/7/68; and Los Angeles
teletype to Bureau, 6/7/68.

Enclosed herewith for Los Angeles are nine copies
each of 302's showing interviews of PENNA ESHOO, SAVANNAH
STONER and EMMA BANKS at Turlock, California, on 6/11/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA DONALD H. MOE:

AT TURLOCK, AND MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

The following individuals who were at the Turlock
Railroad Station prior to and until the departure of the
Kennedy Election Special Train were interviewed on 6/10/68,
and advised they saw no one meeting the description of SIRHAN
BISHARA SIRHAN or of the other man and woman described by
Mrs. PENNA ESHOO, 405 North Palm, Turlock, California.

JOHN VIERRENGO, Chief of Police, Turlock, California

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WILLIAM JOHNSON, Deputy Sheriff, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office, Modesto, California

N. W. BISHOP, Station Agent, Southern Pacific Railroad, Turlock, California; Mr. BISHOP was not on duty, but came to the station to see Senator KENNEDY.

L. D. PETERSON, Cashier, Southern Pacific Railroad, Turlock, California; Mr. PETERSON was not on duty, but came to the station to see Senator KENNEDY.

R. J. Roup, Relief Station Agent, Southern Pacific Railroad, Turlock, California, and the only Southern Pacific employee on duty at the station on the date of May 30, 1968. Mr. ROUP was interviewed at the Southern Pacific Station, Modesto, California.

In addition, the following Modesto and Turlock officials of the Kennedy For President Campaign were interviewed on 6/10/68:

Mr. RAUL W. VALLE, owner, Mar-Val Appliances, 1081 Lander Avenue, Turlock, California. Mr. VALLE departed Turlock, California, early on 5/30/68, boarded the Election Special at Merced, California, and introduced Senator KENNEDY at Turlock.

Mr. PAUL W. TURNER, President, The Grange Company, Modesto, California, residence 1113 Country Club Drive, Modesto, California, who was interviewed at a commemorative tree planting in honor of Senator KENNEDY in Turlock, California. Mr. TURNER and his wife, NORMA TURNER also boarded the train at Merced, California.

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Mrs. TURNER telephonically contacted the Modesto Resident Agency on the evening of 6/10/68, to advise that she had seen no one meeting the description of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN; Mrs. TURNER advised that she is of Assyrian descent and knows of no person locally meeting the description of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

HARVEY LAZAR, owner, Lazar Fruit Company, 576 Center Street, Turlock, California, and EDDIE SAYAD, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office, Modesto, California, and both of Arab descent and familiar with the Assyrian-Jordanian population in the Turlock-Modesto area advised that they know of no persons in this area meeting the description of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

Mrs. RALE PARTON, 305 North Avenue, Turlock, California, a member of the Kennedy For President Campaign, advised on 6/11/68, that one of the individuals involved in furnishing music for the appearance of Senator KENNEDY at Turlock, California, was a FRED FARAMAZPOUR, an Iranian student at Stanislaus State College. She advised that one MIKE NOLAN, a Kennedy advance man, would have been the individual that would have arranged for music at Turlock, California.

On 6/12/68, FEREIDJON FARAMAZPOUR, music student at Stanislaus State College, Turlock, California, was interviewed at his residence, Yosemite Residence Hall, 3500 Geer Road, Turlock, California. He advised that he is an Assyrian in the United States on a student visa from Iran. FARAMAZPOUR stated that he is five feet three inches in height; weight, 140 pounds; black hair; brown eyes; born 6/30/41, in Iran.

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FARAMAZPOUR further advised that on 5/30/68, he was at the Turlock Railroad Station with three male and three female students from Stanislaus State College. They were members of a small six-piece musical group. He was asked to play in the group by BARBARA NICHOLS, also a student; however, on arrival, the percussion section of the band was already filled and therefore he did not play. He did stay near the band; however, from about 2:30 PM until they stopped playing after the departure of Senator KENNEDY from the station.

FARAMAZPOUR did not recognize SIRHAN SIRHAN from a photograph and stated he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN. He saw no one at the station wearing a coat. FARAMAZPOUR wore a short-sleeve shirt and black shoes at the station. He wore a large round Kennedy button that he purchased from a girl who kept the buttons in her purse. He described the girl as being five feet six inches in height and slender with black hair. He could not recall her clothing. He stated there was a second band at the station. The band consisted of three pieces and the musicians appeared to be teenagers. He could not further describe them.

BARBARA NICHOLS, student at Stanislaus State College, Turlock, California, was interviewed at her apartment, Apartment Number Three, the Bee Apartments, 1001 Ceer Road, Turlock, California, on 6/12/68. Miss NICHOLS substantiated information as furnished by FARAMAZPOUR. She saw no one fitting the description of SIRHAN SIRHAN at the station and she does not know the identity of the other small band but believes that they were high school students. She advised that they would have been arranged by MIKE NOLAN.

NOLAN has previously been identified by NORMA TURNER as a graduate student at the Stanford Graduate School of Business, Stanford, California, who resides in Tacoma, Washington, and whose father is Chief Counsel for Weyerhaeuser Corporation, Tacoma, Washington.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

For the information of the Bureau, information in 302's enclosed for Los Angeles include reinterview with Mrs. ESHOO who indicates she is positive she saw SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at Turlock as previously described. She indicates further that this individual talked with a person, not previously mentioned by her, stating to him "let's go" just prior to his departure. She could furnish no physical description but indicated that he was the leader of a small musical group comprised of a drummer, a guitar player and the leader, who played the "bugle." She indicated that she also "suspected" this individual. She indicated that she heard him state that they would not be able to play since they were having trouble with the electricity, but that she did not believe that they were having any such trouble. She indicated that she informed Mrs. SAVANNAH STONER of this fact after departure of the interviewing Agent during prior interview, but that Mrs. STONER advised her not to tell the FBI.

Mrs. SAVANNAH STONER, 405 N. Palm, Turlock, California, and Mrs. EMIL BANKS, daughter of Mrs. ESHOO, 330 N. Palm, Turlock, California, advise that Mrs. ESHOO exaggerates. Mrs. STONER stated that Mrs. ESHOO definitely did not mention the above incident and that contrarily, she told Mrs. ESHOO to tell the FBI everything she knew. Mrs. BANKS advises that she is absolutely certain that the information furnished by her mother is false and both Mrs. STONER and Mrs. BANKS indicate that Mrs. ESHOO is totally uneducated and unable to read or write. Mrs. BANKS indicated that she heard conversation between Mrs. ESHOO and Mrs. MOOSHEY relative to a "suspicious" person but that the description of this person did not materialize until Mrs. ESHOO saw SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN on television. She stated that she heard Mrs. MOOSHEY indicate that she heard this suspicious person state "I can get a good shot from here" but discounted the story then and discounts it now.

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LEAD:

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: In view of the above information, if additional investigation is desired, it is requested that Los Angeles first reinterview Mrs. MARTHA MOOSHEY to determine if the individual she described was wearing a coat in hot weather which made him "suspicious." In addition, details of any and all conversation with Mrs. ESHOO by Mr. and Mrs. MOOSHEY as previously described, should be obtained to establish the total validity or lack of validity of information furnished by Mrs. ESHOO. UACB or UACOO, no additional investigation in this phase of this investigation is being conducted by the Sacramento Division.

No lead has been set out for Los Angeles to contact MIKE NOLAN at Stanford College or Tacoma, Washington, to identify the leader of the student musical group mentioned herein and this lead is being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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Mrs. MARTHA MOOSHEY, 315 North Hollywood Way, Burbank, California, telephone number 842-0634, advised that she and her husband, ELISHA MOOSHEY, were visiting Mrs. PERMA ESHOO in Turlock, California, during the week of Memorial Day, May 30, 1968. She advised they accompanied Mrs. ESHOO to the Turlock railroad station at about 2:30 p.m., on May 30, 1968, to observe the campaign train of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mrs. MOOSHEY stated that shortly after her arrival at the train station she observed some benches about seventy-five yards across the street. She stated that she was carrying her small dog with her so she walked over to the benches where she sat down and waited for the campaign train to arrive. She stated that a freight train went through the Turlock station shortly before the arrival of the campaign train. She said that she, Mrs. ESHOO's granddaughter, DEBBIE, age seven or eight, were able to stand within eight feet of Senator KENNEDY when he appeared on the platform of the observation car of the train. She said that she recalled a policeman or deputy sheriff was standing in front of her watching the Senator. She stated that after standing there just a few minutes a man behind her and slightly to her right said, "This is a good aim" to a shorter man who was standing to the taller man's left.

Mrs. MOOSHEY said that she turned her head to her right and looked up at the man. She said she then spoke to DEBBIE and said to watch these two men. She said that the two men then turned to their left and slowly moved away mingling into the large crowd gathered around the railroad car.

Mrs. MOOSHEY stated that she only got a momentary glance at the smaller man and stated he was white and would estimate his height to be about 5'5" tall. She could furnish no other description concerning this man.

6/6/68 Burbank, California

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SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS/clp

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Mrs. MOOSHEY described the taller man who had made the statement behind her back as being white, about 25 to 28 years old, 5'10", 140 to 145 pounds, dark black wavy hair, medium complexion, no glasses and no hat. He was wearing a short sleeved white shirt open at the collar and she did not observe his trousers.

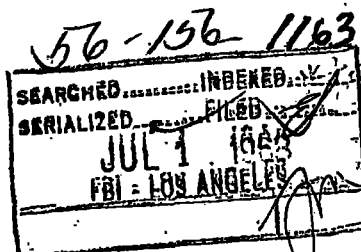
Mrs. MOOSHEY stated she did not see the taller man carrying anything in his hands nor did she see him have a camera around his neck. She said she did not see the shorter man long enough to notice whether he had a camera or not.

Photographs of DANIEL JOSEPH POMPA, FLORENCIO LOPEZ MATION and VICTOR JERALD BONO and SIRHAN SIRHAN were exhibited to Mrs. MOOSHEY and she was unable to identify anyone.

6/14/68

Mr. ELISHA MOOSHEY, 315 North Hollywood Way, Burbank, California, telephone number 842-0634, advised that he and his wife were visiting Mrs. PENNA ESHOO in Turlock, California, during the week of Memorial Day, May 30, 1968. He advised they accompanied Mrs. ESHOO to the Turlock railroad station at about 2:30 p.m. on May 30, 1968, to observe the campaign train of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mr. MOOSHEY stated that he left his wife and Mrs. ESHOO and walked some one hundred or more yards away to a small park near the train station where he could sit down in the shade. He stated that he is not able to stand for lengthy periods of time as he has had two operations for varicose veins in his legs. He further stated that the KENNEDY train arrived at approximately 4:45 p.m., and then he walked over near the railroad station to observe Senator KENNEDY. He stated at no time did he see the two men whom his wife, MARTHA, had spoken to him and Mrs. ESHOO concerning any suspicious actions.



6/6/68

Burbank, California

Los Angeles 56-156

SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS/clp

6/7/68

1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, California 90017
June 14, 1968

Dr. Thomas T. Naguchi, MD
Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner
Hall of Justice
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attention: Mr. Herbert Mc Roy
Chief Administrative Assistant

Dear Dr. Naguchi:

The purpose of this letter is to request a copy of the coroner's office autopsy report for Senator Robert F. Kennedy along with pertinent official photographs taken during the medical inquiry.

This request is made pursuant to and for the sole purpose of conducting an official investigation in accordance with instructions of the Attorney General of the United States. All files and information obtained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation are confidential by law and cannot be made available to anyone other than duly authorized persons. The autopsy report and material will, of course, come within this restriction.

Very truly yours,

WESLEY G. GRAPP
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE: 6/18/68

FROM : SA WAYNE L. BOURQUE

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Lt. Charles Higbie, Los Angeles Police Department, Night Watch, advised that they had interviewed a KHAIBAR KHAN this date and were told by KHAN that he had been interviewed by Agents of the F.B.I. on several occasions the past week.

Higbie requested the names of the Agents who conducted the interviews and information pertaining to these interviews.

Higbie stated that he would be reporting for duty at 12:noon 6/19/68, ex 2962, and suggested he be contacted re above at that time.

Info furnished to

Lt. MANUEL PENA. LAPD-6/19/68 - phone.

& to. Lt. CHAS HIGBIE 6/20/68 "

By S. A. Leslie F. Wanner.

Los Wanner advised 6/19/68

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
BOOKING AND PROPERTY RECORD

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ORDER REMANDING DEFENDANT
TO CUSTODY

County Jail

Defendant Held pending preliminary examination

in Div. 40 on **FEB 27 1968** at *1* ^{AM}_{PM}

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF LOS ANGELES JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The People of the State of California,
Plaintiff,

vs.

DIVISION NO. 40

GERALD ROBERT AMSTER

CASE NO. 230112

Defendant.

The People of the State of California, to the Sheriff of the County of Los Angeles:

THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S)

An order having been this day made by me that

be held for preliminary examination

11530
VICL. OF SEC. HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
upon a charge of ~~OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, A FELONY~~

2-18-68

committed in the City of Los Angeles, State of California, on or about the _____ day of _____, 19____, you are commanded to receive him (her) into your custody and detain him (her) until he (she) is legally discharged, or until he (she) furnishes bail in the sum of

~~\$1000~~ 500 Dollars

whichever event occurs sooner.

Dated FEB 19 1968

[Signature]
Judge of the Municipal Court of Los Angeles
Judicial District, County of Los Angeles,
State of California.

Penalty assessment
to be deposited

\$ 250.

ORDER FOR RELEASE
MUNICIPAL COURT, LOS ANGELES JUDICIAL DISTRICT

H/670406
No. 137031 (5)

Date February 27, 1968 AM ☒ PM Case No. A 23011 R

TO THE PEACE OFFICER HAVING CUSTODY:

Bk. No. _____

Release Gerald Robert Amster

Offense(s) 11530 H&S 0.2e 1st

- ☐ Case Dismissed
- ☐ Sentence Suspended
- ☐ Surety Bond Approved
- ☐ Payment of fine
- ☐ Cash bail deposited

Amt. \$ _____ Receipt No. _____

*Released on Recognizance
or Recognizance Signed*

Defendant To Appear

Date 3-12-68 At 914 M. Div. 100

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GEORGE J. BARBOUR
Clerk of above Court

By Raymond Fox
Deputy



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Diego, California
June 17, 1968

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

On June 11, 1968, Mr. JOSEPH FORROR, Assistant Postmaster, Main Post Office, San Diego, California, advised as follows:

Found on the incoming mail belt was a piece of paper not in an envelope written in green ink which was addressed to "Post Office Post Master". This note reads as follows:

"If the F.B.I. wants Ray's buddy go to 124 Broadway Metropole Hotel Room 117. He may be under the name Geore Letsinger or George Anderson. He knows about Kennedy and also King's death's. He may have part in Kings death. I know he was in Tenn. before and after King was killed. I know Letsinger is wanted in Seattle. Also in Big Stone Gap, Virginia, by the F.B.I."

On June 12, 1968, information was received from the Seattle Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, that one GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, FBI Number 584 742 F, born July 13, 1942, at Macomb, Missouri, was arrested at Jacksonville, Florida, on April 11, 1968, charged with grand larceny having stolen \$550 to \$60 from a restaurant in Seattle, Washington, for which he was employed.

LETSINGER was returned to Seattle, Washington, and on the basis of the charge against him, received a three-year deferred sentence, six months in the county jail and ordered to make restitution.

LETSINGER appealed this sentence and was placed on bond, however, departed the State of Washington and a bench warrant was subsequently issued by the Superior Court, Seattle, Washington.

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Information was also furnished that authorities at Seattle, Washington, desired his apprehension and would extradite LETSINGER to Seattle, Washington. Based on this information, the San Diego Police Department arrested GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER at Room 117, Metropole Hotel, 124 Broadway, San Diego, California, on June 12, 1968. At time of arrest, LETSINGER admitted his identity and the fact that he knew he was wanted by the State of Washington.

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER was interviewed by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at San Diego, California, on June 13, 1968, at which time he advised as follows:

LETSINGER advised that in 1963 he went to England and visited the Russian Embassy, Grovesner Square, London, England, for the purpose of renouncing his United States citizenship.

He was arrested while in England by New Scotland Yard, based upon a check which he had deposited in a bank prior to his departure to England and later determined it was a fraudulent check.

LETSINGER was asked why he desired to renounce his citizenship, to which he replied the country is no longer a country for the white people and is eventually being taken over by the "niggers."

LETSINGER exhibited a strong anti-Negro sentiment and stated that at one time he had been a member of a clan-type organization at Big Stone Gap, Virginia.

LETSINGER was questioned as to his association with JAMES EARL RAY and whether he had any knowledge concerning the assassinations of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and President JOHN F. KENNEDY. LETSINGER merely replied "I do not wish to talk about these subjects."

LETSINGER did say, however, that if Senator TED KENNEDY and Vice President HUBERT H. HUMPHREY continue to seek the Presidency of the United States, they will be assassinated. LETSINGER did not desire to elaborate regarding this information.

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

LETSINGER admitted previous mental history, having been confined during 1961 for a short period of time at St. John's Hospital, Springfield, Missouri.

Handprinting was obtained from LETSINGER and was compared with the note received by the U. S. Post Office, San Diego, California, and because of a close resemblance of these, LETSINGER was asked if he, in fact, had written the note himself.

He categorically denied having written this note.

The following is a description and background concerning LETSINGER as obtained during interview:

Name	GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER
Alias	George Anderson
Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	July 13, 1942, at Macomb, Missouri
Height	5'5½"
Weight	165 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Fair
Tattoo	"Gladys" "1900", both on right shoulder.
Mother	ETTA LEE LETSINGER nee Collett, Ava, Missouri
Father	GEORGE WILBUR LETSINGER, deceased
Sister	Mrs. TROY STAMPER Route 1 Ava, Missouri
Marital Status	Single
Education	High school, third year

On June 14, 1968, Sergeant JOHN KENNEDY, Fugitive Detail, San Diego Police Department, San Diego, California, advised that he had just received word from the Seattle,

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

Washington, authorities that they decided they did not want to extradite the subject to Seattle, Washington, however, the warrant for his arrest is still outstanding and should he return to the State of Washington, would be arrested on this warrant.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: June 19, 1968

SUBJECT: The Case of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan

PARTICIPANTS: His Excellency Abdul Hamid Sharaf, Ambassador of Jordan
Mr. Robert B. Houghton, Country Director, NEA/ARN

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I told him that we felt strongly that the Jordanian lawyers should not come to the U. S. for the very reason that he had offered. We, however, were to some extent caught on the horns of a dilemma in trying to persuade the lawyers against coming because we also did not want to open ourselves to the charge that we were denying Sirhan the right to request a lawyer of

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He asked me when the trial began. After consulting with Mr. Neuman in L, I informed him by telephone that on June 28 the defendant would have to plead, i.e., guilty, not guilty, etc. According to the law, the trial must begin sixty days after the indictment, which I was informed was around June 6 or 7. This period could be prolonged by agreement between the defense and prosecuting attorneys. I told him that the District Attorney in California ventured the guess that the trial would probably begin one-and-a-half to two months after June 28.

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REDS: 'WE SHOT RFK'

REDS in Hongkong are claiming the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy in Los Angeles was the work of their agents.

They claim alleged killer Sirhan Sirhan (24), a Christian Jordanian, visited Cairo last year and there he was contacted by agents of Peking's Ambassador to Egypt, Huang Hua, according to The STAR's usually reliable sources inside China.

Huang is the mastermind of Mao's international meddling and trouble-making — NOT, as generally believed, the Chinese Ambassador in Paris.

Huang Hua is regarded as China's expert on American affairs and is said once to have been a favourite of America's last Ambassador on the Chinese Mainland, the late Dr Leighton Stewart.

Dr Stewart was once the head of the Yen Ching University, where Huang Hua studied.

When Dr Stewart and top members of his ambassadorial staff left Shanghai in 1949, Huang Hua is said to have arranged a special

plane for them.

According to The STAR's sources, Huang Hua is in charge of China's underground work in the US.

He is said to have contact with a number of Yen Ching University students who now live there.

Black Power

Huang is also said to have contact with the Black Power movement — the militant Negro group which The STAR recently exclusively reported would get smuggled money, arms and tele-communications equipment from China.

Sirhan is a known Communist sympathiser. A notebook found in his bedroom said Kennedy had to be killed before the first anniversary of the Arab-Israeli war.

Since the Arabs' humiliating defeat, Chinese agents are known to have given terror courses to agents in Egypt — including training in assassination.

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1. Following info obtained by Embassy Duty Officer morning 8 June from apparently responsible young American who called at Embassy to volunteer written statement:

A. On 17 May 1968, while enroute to Teheran, Iraqi Airways booked my wife and I at Ambassador Hotel in Baghdad. We spent most of evening in hotel, where we had dinner.

B. In dining room, we were alone except for our waiter. During meal, waiter asked us if we had heard Senator Robert Kennedy had been shot in the head, that same day (17 May). Waiter claimed in broken English, to have heard the report on a special Government radio broadcast.

C. We pressed waiter for details, but he claimed to know nothing more than that Senator Kennedy was not yet dead. Waiter then obviously wanted to break off discussion this subject.

D. Before leaving dinner room, waiter said problem in American and the world is "The Jew." Waiter implied American policies guided and supported by Judaism.

2. John A. Swede, Passport No. E-248994, 1631 Camden Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

3. His wife is Elisabeth C.M. Swede, nee Elisabeth Conradine M. Fabery DeJone, who is traveling with Dutch Passport K-888793.

4. The Swedes are honeymooning, will remain Singapore until 9 or 10 June when they leaving for Hong Kong. Plan to be back in Los Angeles by 20 June.

5. Unfortunately, Duty Officer failed to get local Hotel address. We are trying to track down. In meantime, request file traces both Swede and wife, check of FBIS for alleged special Government Radio broadcast Baghdad approx 17 May, and any guidance Hqs wishes recommend.

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Re: HONcab 6/17/68.

DATE 2/18/25

Enclosed herewith are nine copies of an article which appeared in the 6/17/68 issue of the Hong Kong English language newspaper, "The Star." [Also enclosed are two copies of an undated cable from CIA Headquarters, Washington, to the CIA Station in Hong Kong re captioned case.] In Legat, Hong Kong cable to Director 4/19/68 and Legat let 4/25/68 both captioned, "Chinese Communist Activity in U.S. Racial Matters," a previous article concerning the Chinese Communist Ambassador to Egypt, HUANG Hua, was called to the Bureau's attention together with the characterization of "The Star" [by contacts of this office as being highly unreliable.] In the enclosed article it is noted that while "The Star" says Hong Kong Reds are claiming that the Kennedy assassination was the work of their agents, they cite as a source for this "The Star's" usually reliable sources inside China. (u) [S-1] [S]

(u) [C] Legat attempted to locate [Mr. and Mrs. SWEDDE, mentioned in the CIA cable,] but they were not at any of the more reputable English speaking hotels [in Hong Kong at the time of inquiry.] (u) [S]

PATRICK J. CLANCY, Senior Superintendent, Special Branch, Hong Kong Police, advised Legat on 6/6 and 6/8/68 respectively that there is no identifiable reference to SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN or GHATTAS in files of the Hong Kong Immigration Department. [G-1] [u]

Sources of this office are alert to Bureau interest in the Kennedy assassination. Legat will, however, on the basis of "The Star" article, make additional inquiry at Hong Kong. (u) [S]

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The Bureau may desire to obtain confirmation or refutation of SIRHAN's travel to Egypt during the past year.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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John M. Laurence
Also Known As
John M. Lawrence
Registration Act-Middle East

NO FOREIGN DISSEMINATION

On May 23, 1968, Geraldine McNamara, clerk, Danbury, Connecticut, Circuit Court, advised that the trial of John M. Laurence on local charges in Danbury is not scheduled to be held until the next session of the Circuit Court. She stated that his trial is not likely to be held prior to the Fall of 1968, and that no date has been set for his trial.

On June 18, 1968, Omar Z. Ghobashy, Attorney-at-Law, 15 Park Row, New York, New York, advised that the subject has been in contact with him and advised him that the subject is organizing the "Organizing Committee for Clemency for Sirhan."

Ghobashy stated that Sirhan is the accused assassin of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. He further advised that the subject has been in touch with the Public Defender's Office of Los Angeles, California, and has written on several occasions to Sirhan. Ghobashy further stated that the subject advised him that the Committee is made up of people of Arabic origin now living in or citizens of the United States. He stated that he advised the subject that any use of his, Ghobashy's, name is completely unauthorized by him. He stated that it is the subject's plan to bring to the public a pro-Arab point of view concerning the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

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John M. Laurence

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On June 11, 1963, NY T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the subject advised the Jordan Mission to the United Nations (UN), New York, New York, that a committee is being set up consisting of lawyers and psychiatrists to prevent a "smear-up" of Sirhan. He also advised that, in the light of the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, he wants the Arab-American people to be as proud as ever of their origin. [S](u)

On June 13, 1963, NY T-1 also advised that the subject advised the Jordan Mission to the UN that his Committee had seen to it that its letters and telegrams were received by Sirhan. The subject wanted the Jordanian Government to have a talk with Sirhan inasmuch as there may be attempts to use the assassination case against the interests of the Arab states. [S](u)

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~~JOHN M. LAWRENCE aka~~
~~John M. Lawrence~~
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ReNYlet to the Bureau, 4/5/68.

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Enclosed herewith are five copies of an LHM dated
and captioned as above.

NY T-1 is NY 5946-S*.

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The enclosed LHM is classified "Secret-No Foreign
Dissemination" in order to protect the Bureau's interest in a
foreign diplomatic establishment and also because the
divulgence of the identity of this source would be detrimental
to the best interests of the US.

[S](U)

The NYO is in receipt of the Identification record
of JOHN M. LAWRENCE, alias JOHN L. PAWLUK, furnished by the
Police Department, Nassau County, Mineola, NY, on 6/1/68.
His date of birth on this identification record is 12/4/21.
The records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of
Manhattan, NY, as set out in NY LHM, 4/5/68, reflect that
JOHN M. LAWRENCE, 57 W. 10th St., NY, NY, was born 12/4/21.
This identification record reflects that LAWRENCE's FBI
number is 4 385 647.

The NYO is separately forwarding to the Bureau FD-9,
Identification Record Request.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. I will maintain contact with
OMAR Z. GHOBASHY in order to determine where the subject is
obtaining the funds necessary for the operation of the
Organizing Committee for Clemency for Sirhan.

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2. Will, upon receipt from the Identification Division of LAURENCE's arrest record, furnish all pertinent information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE: 6/28/68

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-548) RUC

SUBJECT: KENSALT

OO: Los Angeles

Re: Los Angeles teletype to Milwaukee 6/13/68 and Milwaukee teletype to Los Angeles 6/14/68 and Los Angeles airtel to Albany 6/18/68.

Enclosed for the Los Angeles Division is an FD 302 mat with recording of interview with HENRY F. PETERS. It is noted that there is a difference in the names used in referenced Milwaukee teletype to Los Angeles where the name RICHARD WEIDNER is used. This was a dictation error.

2 - Los Angeles (Enc. 1)
1 - Milwaukee (157-548)
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Advise Los Angeles to inform PW.

Done 7/3/68

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Morgan make this memo for file to SAC from SA McCarthy
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On 6/28/68, SA MC CARTHY was advised by Lt. A. S.

HEGGE, LAPD, Rampart Division, and Lt. PENA, Central Division, that shortly before noon on Wednesday, 6/26/68, at the Sheraton-West Hotel, and employee of the hotel, MAUREEN DOLHANCEY, was questioned and had her picture taken by a Life magazine photographer named JULIAN W. WASSER in the company of reporter FERNANDO FAURA, Hollywood Citizen News and Valley Times, and a Life ~~magazine~~ magazine correspondent named BONFAN PAIN (ph). It was reported by DOLHANCEY and a Mr. ROBERTS, in management at the Sheraton-West Hotel that reporter FAURA got "rough" with DOLHANCEY and the LAPD was summoned. The two Life magazine employees and FAURA were taken to the Rampart Div., LAPD where they were compared with an incident which occurred at the home of MUNIR SIRHAN in Pasadena, in which a Life reporter assaulted MUNIR *re: assault by Life Magazine reporter* and entered the SIRHAN home in order to obtain a photo. It was determined they were not the same reporters, DOLHANCEY did not wish to press charges for disturbing the peace, the film was removed from WASSER's camera and exposed, and no booking took place. All were released. Lt. PENA advised rumor has it from the office of the Chief of Police that Life magazine has been sold a bill of goods by FAURA, and is on an all-out effort with a full staff to establish a conspiracy with DOLHANCEY as a key figure.

Lt. WRIGHT, Pasadena PD, not presently on duty, and no one there knew anything about the prior arrest other than Lt. WRIGHT.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1880)

KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtel to Pittsburgh, 6/12/68;
Miami airtel to Los Angeles, 6/25/68; and Los Angeles
teletype to Miami, 6/27/68.

Enclosed for the Los Angeles Division are 30
copies of an FD-302 reflecting interview with Dr. NATALIE
GUNKEL at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) DATE: 6/28/68

FROM : SA VINCENT J. HORN, JR.

SUBJECT: KENSALT

RE STEPHEN DALE AHERN

The writer furnished the information contained in the interview of AHERN to U.S. Secret Service, Los Angeles and 115th MIG, Pasadena, by letter dated 6/18/68. A copy of this letter is maintained in Los Angeles file 174-110.

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To: Director, FBI (56-587)
From: SAC, Pittsburgh (44-583) ~~(44-583)~~

KENSALT

Lt. Col. GLADWIN PATRICK, Region Commander, Region III, 109th Military Intelligence Group, 2322 Federal Building, Pittsburgh, furnished the following information on 6/27/68:

Col. PATRICK advised that he returned from vacation 6/26/68 and included among the correspondence that accumulated while on leave was a letter addressed to his wife from a MARGE CARTER in San Francisco, Calif. This letter was dated 6/15/68 and included the following statement: "We saw a really chilling taped interview with DICK GREGORY made in May. He predicted that a 'big, big white leader would be shot in June' and that much trouble would ensue."

Col. PATRICK advised that MARGE CARTER is the wife of JED E. EMERSON CARTER, 300 Hill St., San Francisco, Calif. 94114, who was an acquaintance and roommate of his during the time he was in college, and although he has not maintained a close relationship with CARTER, they have corresponded with each other. He said that CARTER works for the Federal Drug Administration in San Francisco and his wife is a nurse at a hospital somewhere in the greater San Francisco area.

Col. PATRICK advised it was not clear in the letter received from MARGE CARTER where or in what manner she encountered the taped interview.

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (157-347 DICK GREGORY)
- ② - Los Angeles (56-156)
- 2 - San Francisco
- 1 - Pittsburgh

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Col. PATRICK advised that he did not desire the CARTERS to know that he had furnished this information to the FBI; however, if it became absolutely necessary to resolve or clarify the above information, he would not object to the CARTERS being contacted.

Col. PATRICK said the letter further indicated that the CARTERS were departing San Francisco on 6/29/68 for Alaska and would not return to their home until mid-July.

The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. In the event this has not previously come to the attention of these offices it is suggested, in view of Col. PATRICK's request, that efforts be made to identify the taped interview of DICK GREGORY with the various TV stations in San Francisco and other available sources before any direct contact is made with the CARTERS.

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Date: 6/28/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
 FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)
 SUBJECT: KENSALT

Enclosed are 9 copies of an investigative insert reflecting PD checks at Richmond, California. Also enclosed are stencils and proof sheets for the below listed FD 302's reflecting interviews conducted by San Francisco:

<u>WALTER THOMAS RATHKE</u>	<u>BRUCE A. KOCH</u>
<u>THOMAS DANIEL GOOD</u>	<u>DIETER W. BAYER</u>
<u>LAWRENCE NELSON</u>	<u>CAMERON JARRETT</u>
<u>RON REYNOLDS</u>	<u>WALLACE TURNER</u>
<u>ROBERT BLATTEIS</u>	<u>PAUL HUGH SHINOFF</u>

Los Angeles is requested to return one original of each FD 302.

② - Los Angeles (Encs. 19)
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Date: 7/1/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (56-102) (P)
RE: KENSALT

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau and Los Angeles dated 6/13/68.

On 7/1/68, Colonel W. L. RINGEN, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, telephone no. CA 1-5906, telephonically advised that NORMAN JOSEPH KENNEDY, JR., ASN RA 16908591, has again gone AWOL. Prior to his leaving, he made a statement that he was going back to Los Angeles to "straighten out this matter."

Colonel RINGEN requested that the local authorities be advised as to the fact that KENNEDY has again gone AWOL and expressed his intention of returning to Los Angeles. Should KENNEDY be located and apprehended, Colonel RINGEN requested that he be advised.

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Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re New York teletype to the Bureau and Los Angeles dated 6/28/68 reporting results of interviews with Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE PLIMPTON.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are 30 copies of FD 302 of interview with GEORGE PLIMPTON and 30 copies of FD 302 of interview with Mrs. FREDDY PLIMPTON.

Mrs. PLIMPTON was present during the interview with Mr. PLIMPTON. Mr. PLIMPTON was in another part of their apartment during the interview with Mrs. PLIMPTON.

2- Los Angeles (Encls. 60)
1- New York

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE: 7/1/68

FROM : SA LLOYD D. JOHNSON

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On 6/29/68, Mr. TED BANKS, former Physical Education instructor at Pasadena City College, was telephonically contacted at the telephone of his mother, 284-1758, to arrange an appointment. BANKS stated he had been interviewed about SIRHAN SIRHAN by Special Agents at San Jose State College, where he was working as a track coach. He was advised no further interview was required..

No further effort will be made to interview BANKS, and an FD*302 should be forthcoming from San Francisco.

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PRISONER'S CRIMINAL RECORD

D.D. 34 (Rev. 6-59)

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORKBUREAU OF
CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATIONNAME John Lawrence.

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This certifies that the finger impressions of the above named person have been compared and the following is a true copy of the records of this bureau.

D.C.I. # _____

F.B.I. # _____

Date of Arrest	NAME	Borough or City	CHARGE	Arresting Officer	Date, Disposition, Judge and Court
11-20-50	<u>John Lawrence.</u>	MANH.	DIS.CON. Krtietal. (Viol.Park. 13Pot. Regulations Making Sneeze in Union Square Park)		On 11-20-50 sent. to 6 Months. Judge Pisciotta. Lower Manh.Ct.
3-2-57	John Lawrence	MANH.	VEIC.PARK VIOLATIONS	LANGER. 13Pot.	Fined \$10./ Judge Andrews. Lower Man.
5-20-52	John Lawrence	MANH.	Dis.Con. (Asslt.Officer)	Murson 13 Pot.	Fined \$10/3 Days Judge Milcot. L.M.
5-10-60	John Lawrence	MANH.	DIS.CON. #2.	Murray. 9th.Pot.	no disp shown
7-10-64 10-64	11	11	11	Pazzano 6th Pot.	consent 10.30.64 Criminal Court, Part #VE, docket #C13890 - final disp not shown

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