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Mr. WILLIAM BARRY, Assistant Vice-President, Security Department, Bankers Trust Company, 120 Broadway, New York, New York, stated that on June 5, 1968, in the ambulance taking Senator ROBET KENNEDY from the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, to the Central Receiving Hospital, were the following people:

In the front seat was the ambulance driver, in the middle was WILLIAM BARRY, and seated near the right door was WARREN ROGERS of "Look" Magazine.

In the back, with Senator KENNEDY, was his wife, ETHEL KENNEDY; his sister, JEAN SMITH; FRED DUTTON; and one ambulance attendant. FRED DUTTON was in the back, up front near the partition in back of the driver which would be at Senator KENNEDY's feet.

BARRY does not recall the exact location of the others in the back other than ETHEL KENNEDY and JEAN SMITH were near Senator KENNEDY.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

ReLaair to New York, 8/30/68, requesting New York to interview WILLIAM BARRY as to occupants in ambulance on 6/5/68. Enclosed for Los Angeles are 30 copies of an FD 302 containing results of interview with BARRY which stated that ETHEL KENNEDY, JEAN SMITH, FRED DUTTON, WARREN ROCEDS of "Look" Magazine, BARRY and the ambulance driver and attendant were in the ambulance.

Relaair to the Bureau, 8/6/68, which contained a photograph of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, WILLIAM BARRY, and others, one of whom may be SIRHAN SIRHAN. The photograph was taken in March, 1968, in the San Francisco Airport by STEVE SCHAPLEO.

On 9/4/68, WILLIAM BARRY stated to SA FRANCIS L. CASHIN that he saw SIRHAN SIRHAN only on the night of 6/4-5/68, but that the photograph does not look like SIRHAN. BARRY stated that the individual in the photograph looks like an autograph seeker as Senator KENNEDY is holding what looks like a pencil and paper

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which was probably given to Senator KENNEDY by the individual who supposedly looks like SIRHAN. It is noted that that individual appears to be looking at Senator KENNEDY's hand which is holding the paper and pencil.

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)(P)

SUBJECT:

KENSALT

Re: THOMAS GOOD

Re Dallas airtel to Director captioned "Students for a Democratic Society; IS - SDS/ SEDITION", dated 9/6/68, Bufile 100-439048.

Referenced airtel and letterhead memorandum from Dallas indicate the gathering and departure from Dallas of some 34 persons associated with the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) en route to Mexico City aboard American Airlines Flight 53 on 8/26/68. The group, according to information available, was en route to Cuba. Included in the group was THOMAS GOOD of San Jose, California.

THOMAS DANIEL GOOD, of 22 South Eleventh Street, San Jose, California, was one of the individuals who was located and interviewed in connection with the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY assassination on 6/5/68, inasmuch as he had been a long-time acquaintance of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, who is currently being held for trial in connection with the murder of Senator KENNEDY. GOOD is also acquainted with WALTER CROWE, a member of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP), who has also been in contact with SIRHAN as a school acquaintance.

The Bureau is requested to have Legat, Mexico, furnish all possible information concerning THOMAS DANIEL GOOD's trip to Mexico City and possibly Cuba. Bureau sources concerning Cuba should also be alerted.

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The interview of THOMAS GOOD appears on page 550 of Los Angeles report of 8/7/68 and page 499 of Los Angeles report of 7/1/68.

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AIR MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT:

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Re: Interview of Out-of-Town Guests Registered at Ambassador Hotel, Jos Angeles, 6/4-5/68

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is a letter dated 9/5/68 from Deputy Chief ROBERT A. HOUGHTON, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), wherein it is requested that the FBI interview some 259 persons who were registered as guests at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, 6/4-5/68, who reside out of the Los Angeles area.

This request has been discussed with Deputy Chief HOUGHTON, who advised that the LAPD, in connection with its investigation of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, desires that every possible investigative lead be explored. Deputy Chief HOUGHTON advised that the LAPD has no positive information that any of the guests possess any knowledge of the assassination, but that they feel that some possible criticism could arise in later years if this step were not taken at this time. The LAPD is currently locating and interviewing 119 persons who were guests at the hotel and who are readily locatable in the Los Angeles area.

The LAPD has been informed that in view of the substantial number of interviews involved and the nature of the request, it would be referred to our Washington headquarters for consideration.

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The Bureau is requested to advise as to whether or not Los Angeles should proceed with the setting out of leads to conduct the interviews requested by the LAPD.

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE 150 N; LOS ANGELES ST. LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 9001: PHONE; 624-5211

> IN REPLYING PLEASE GIVE OUR REF. NO.6.24

September 5, 1968

OFFICE OF THE

CHIEF OF POLICE

THOMAS REDDIN

Wesley Grapp
Special Agent In Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Los Angeles Office
1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, California

During the Robert F. Kennedy assassination investigation it has been established that 378 guests were registered at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4/5, 1968. Of this figure 259 reside in 104 various cities throughout the United States. In addition six reside in foreign countries.

On August 20, 1968, an oral request was made to the FBI Los Angeles Office that the above 259 interviews be conducted by the FBI. Special Agent Roger J. LaJeunesse Jr., was furnished the names, addresses and interview forms of the persons to be interviewed.

On September 3, 1968, this department was telephonically notified that a formal request would be required before any decision could be rendered regarding this matter.

It is requested that agents of the FBI conduct these 259 interviews.

Your early response to this request would be appreciated.

THOMAS REDDIN Chief of Police

RT h. HOUGHTON, Deputy Chief

Commander, Detective Bureau

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TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re:

KASS LITZENBERG

1537 Lardner Street

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

For the information of Philadelphia, there is attached hereto an interview of GARY MICHAEL PARIZET of San Francisco, California, wherein PARIZEK reports that LITZENBERG had informed him, prior to the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, 6/5/68, of a rumor that a political figure was to be killed.

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At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, will interview KASS LITZENBERG as to the rumor and its source that a political figure was to be killed. Philadelphia is requested to expedite the handling of this lead.

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I, SAIDALLAH SIRHAN, AM HERE TO PRESENT MY SIDE OF THE STORY WHICH APPEARED IN THE INDEPENDANT STAR NEWS, MONDAY, JULY 29th.

I AM HERE TO CLARIFY A MISREPRESENTATION OF THE FACTS AS WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED BY ROBERT SMITH, STAFF WRITER FOR THE SAME MENTIONED NEWSPAPER.

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ME TO INCRIMINATE MYSELF, ROBERT SMITH PRESENTS A STATEMENT
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I HERE DECLARE THAT I HOLD NO ANIMOSITY TOWARD THE POLICE OR THE FBI AND I HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO THEIR LEGAL PROCEDURES AND INVESTIGATIONS. BECAUSE THE POLICE HAVE THEIR OWN WAY OF PERFORMING THEIR JOBS, WHETHER THEY SEE PEOPLE AS MENDICANTS OR NOT.

I OBJECT TO ROBERT SMITH PUBLISHING THINGS THAT WERE NOT SAID OR DISCUSSED IN THE INTERVIEW. ROBERT SMITH DREW HIS OWN CONCLUSIONS FROM MY STATEMENT AND ATTRIBUTED THEM TO ME.

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On August 1, 1968, Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, Los Angeles Police Department, advised that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) has acquired two wide <u>fiber</u> glass helmets size 7½ and 7 5/8 respectively.

These helmets have been obtained by the LAPD for the use of that agency and the office of the Los Angeles County District Attorney on a loan basis to be returned when they are no longer needed. They were obtained from the B. T. Crump Company, 2651 South Seamen. El Monte. California, and are similar to the helmets used by SIRHAN SIRHAN when he reportedly sustained injury by falling from a horse at the Granda Del Rio Ranch in Corona, California.

In support, thereof, the following copy of a LAPD Property Report was made available by Sargeant NIELSEN to SAR. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR:

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### RE: ROBERT M. KLASE

On July 19, 1968, Sergeant MIKE MEHSEN, Los Angeles Police Department furnished to Special Agent E. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR. a copy of an interview with ROBERT M. KLASE conducted on July 8, 1968. The interview is as Tollows:

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Lieutenant ROY KEENE, Los Angeles Police Department, made available the results of an interview with RICHARD ROSEN also known as Richard Cohen which is as follows:

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# RE: JENNIE RANELLE

On July 19, 1968, Sergeant MIKE NEILSEN, Los Angeles Police Department furnished a copy of an interview with JUNIE RANGLE conducted on June 29, 1968. The interview is as rollows:



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### RE: GLORIA FARR

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Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN made available the results of a tape recording interview of JOSEPH A LA HIVE. The interview took place on June 21, 1968 and the nine page transcription of that interview follows:

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## TREASURY DEPARTMENT

### UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20226

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Date: August 13, 1968

BY LIAISON G. M. McLeod

TO

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Attn: Special Agent Rachner

FROM

JAMES J. ROWLEY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

Sirhan Sirhan

(Unknown Letter Writer to Ethel Kennedy)

Suspect: William Ertl

Attached is an original letter addressed to Ethel Kennedy, Greenwood Avenue, Hyannis Port, Massachusetts postmarked Chicago, Illinois, August 6, 1968.

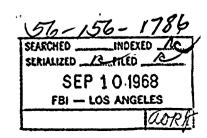
Unknown letter writer states that a Mr. William Ertl, 1402 Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois was responsible for the assassination of the late Senator Kennedy.

William Epcl is not of record with this Service. The attached letter was received this date in the office of Senator Kennedy. Washington, D.C.

Please furnish any reports you may have as a result of investigating this matter.

### Attachments

Original letter addressed to Ethel Kennedy



SAC, Chicago

August 15, 1968

Director, FBI

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Attached for each office are copies of a letter cated August 19, 1968, from the United States Secret Service, as well as copies of an anonymous letter to Ethel Kennedy, postumrked August 6, 1968, Chicago, Illinois.

No record could be located in Bureau files identifiable with William Epti.

Chicago should immediately conduct necessary investigation to identify and locate Ertl with respect to these allegations. Submit results of your investigation in appropriate insert form.

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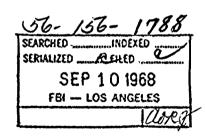
The following investigation was conducted in Chicago, Illinois, by SA NELSON E. BOSE on dates indicated:

On August 19, 1968, it was determined, through Leonard's Street Guide of Chicago and Suburbs, the Chicago address 1402 Greenwood is non-existent.

The Chicago Telephone Directory lists no individual, WILLIAM ERTL.

On August 21, 1968, a credit and arrest check conducted by IC RALPH MC CLAIN with the Chicago Police Department and the Chicago Credit Bureau was negative regarding WILLIAM ERTL, 1402 Greenwood, Chicago.

The Chicago indices are negative regarding ERTL and contain no reference regarding a large robbery or theft of cashier's checks, from the University National Bank, Chicago.



8/27/68

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

SAC, CHICAGO (89-61) (P)

KENSALT

Re Director letter to Chicago dated 8/15/68 regarding WILLIAM EPTL.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an insert reflecting investigation in Chicago.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are thirty copies of above insert.

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September 6, 1968

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TO: SAC, Houston (175-13)

FROM: Director, FBI (62-587)

KENSALT (OO: LA)

Re J. W. "Pappy" Luke.

ReHOairtel 8/27/68 and letterhead memorandum attached thereto.

Submit information contained in referenced communication by appropriate FD-302 as required in criminal investigations. Be guided, accordingly, in any future inquiries in respect to captioned matter.

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TO

SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE:

9/6/68

SAC, LOUISVILLE (89-78) (RUC)

KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtd to Kansas City dated 6/27/68.

On 7/8/68, the following individuals were contacted and advised that they had no record that was identifiable with a JOHN WRIGHT of McVeigh, Kentucky:

> United States Probation Officer BEECH DAVIS, Pikeville, Kentucky Sheriff PERRY JUSTICE, Pike County Sheriff's Office, Pikeville, Kentucky Chief of Police BOB MAY, Pikeville Police Department, Pikeville, Kentucky

On 7/9/68, EUGENE THORN, McVeigh, Kentucky, advised that he was a neighbor of Mrs. KATIE WATTS. He said that at the present time Mrs. WATTS was in the hospital, and that all of the members of the family were attempting to have her put in a mental institution because she was not capable of taking care of herself. He stated that Mrs. WATTS would not be able to answer any questions, because when she did talk to people she would just wander on aimlessly.

On the same date JANET WRIGHT, McVeigh, Kentucky, advised that she was a niece of JOHN WRIGHT, and that neither she nor any members of the family could be of assistance in locating her uncle, because none of them have heard from him in at least ten years. She said that they had attempted to locate him in Los Angeles when his mother got sick about three years ago, but that they were unsuccessful.

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Special Agent Leslie F. Warren, Sr. Federal Bureau of Investigation 1340 West 6th. Street, Los Angeles, California #90017



Dear Agent Warren:

I talked to Gene Hagberg shortly after I had spoken to you early in the afternoon this past June 12th. During the conversation I mentioned I had been at the Ambassador Hotel from about 3:20 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on June 4, 1968. Up to that time Gene did not know I had been at the Hotel on the fourth and so I spoke about some of the things I had seen there that day. The individual who I described as the "ambling-gaited" man, because of the way in which he walked, was of particular interest to Mr. Hagberg who, in view of the topic of our conversation, then told me for the first time that he had submitted a Report to the Los Angeles Police Department which he believed could have some relevance to the tragedy that took place at the Hotel on June 5th. and that he had referred to a swarthy man whose manner of walking could be said to be a "waddle", for the man "waddled" when he walked. After a little more discussion concerning this individual, it seemed quite possible the "ambling-gaited" man and the man who "waddled" could be the same person. As a result of this conversation, I decided to write down as much as I could recall about what I had seen at the Hotel on the fourth and to submit the information to the same Officer who Gene had seen at the Los Angeles Police Department at 150 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, Officer T.J. Miller #11152 of the Detective Bureau, Homicide Division, whose Office is located in Room #803; his telephone number is 624-5211, extension 2962.

I saw Officer Miller during the afternoon of July 3rd. at the Los Angeles Police Department and gave him the Report. I was not as particular as usual about the grammar I used because I wanted to get the information to him as quickly as possible so that he could evaluate my observations along with Mr. Hagberg's Report. I also showed Officer Miller a copy of a letter, over the name of an Issa M. Issa, appearing in the "Voice of the People" column of the June 12, 1968 edition of the Citizen News; Officer Miller made several copies of the letter. Gene Hagberg, who had originally called my attention to the Issa letter, told me its writer in all likelihood is Issa Mohammed Issa, the man who "waddles" when he walks and who might possibly be the "ambling-gaited" man I had seen. The photograph shown to me at the L.A.P.D., although two years old, bears a close resemblance to the man I had seen.

I corrected some grammatical errors on pages 20, 27 and 28 of the Report since July 3rd. and mailed the corrections to Officer Miller on August 19, 1968.

You will find enclosed with this letter copies of the Issa M. Issa letter and the Report, pages numbered 680702001 through 680702028, 6806041500-1515 and 680604-1655-1700 which I submitted to Officer Miller. You may keep all of the material. Incidently, the thirty single sheets of the enclosed Report were reproduced from

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the original copies free of charge at Knott's Berry Farm through the authorization of Dr. Fort; the Report was run in my presence by one of his secretaries from the Americanism Center. I appreciate Dr. Fort's cooperation and thoughtfulness here very much because at the rate of fifteen cents per sheet, it saved me some money.

I did not tell Officer Miller I had spoken to you on June 12th.; although in explaining the date-number system I used to set up the pages, I told him I had used this method in numbering the pages of other different Reports I had written in the past.

Since the day I spoke to you and referred to the rude young woman with the deformed nose, I have tried to determine a more accurate approximation of her probable height and have arrived at figures of from five feet to five feet three inches tall instead of the five feet five inches I had mentioned in our telephone conversation. I made this calculation by recalling as closely as possible the angle at which I looked down at the young woman when she very nearly walked into me and then measured the result from a point I noted on the wall. It isn't very scientific and certainly does not guarantee absolute accuracy, but it is better than a guess and is as close as I can come to her probable height considering the sketchy information available.

I mentioned the automobile accidents in the Report, both of which are on record at the L.A.P.D., to give Officer Miller an idea how my memory works and also to clarify what I had said to him earlier. My memory is very good, and in fact, I believe it is well above average but not perfect. Therefore I wanted to bring out the fact that now and then a detail tends to be neutralized in my memory process for some reason as indicated by the first of the two accident reports I cited and is verifiable by checking with the Officer to whom I spoke in regard to that accident. I brought up this subject in reference to the young woman I had seen in the covered walkway at the Ambassador Hotel and had noted in the Report. For in consideration of these factors and what I positively do recall, I believe there is almost a 100% certainty that she was the "polka dot lady" who was sought by the Authorities just after the fatal shooting at the Hotel. I also referred to the 6-27-66 auto accident to let Officer Miller know that that was the rear-end accident I mentioned when I called him on 7-1-68. Otherwise if I had only cited the earlier accident, occurring on 4-2-66, which does offer some proof concerning the point I wished to make in regard to my memory and Officer Miller had decided to check it out, he would have discovered that it was not of the rear-end type at all; and since I am selling accuracy to the best of my ability here, I thought it best, although afield from the subject matter of the Report, to give him the source of my comment.

Sincerely yours,

Donald Wm. Hughes Tr.

Los Orgeles, on Unrelay Jemes, 1968 and Thursday June 4, 1968 at about the same Time in the afternoon on both days to make some telephone calls. Parked on West side of Kennore ave. horth of Wilshire Bl. each day. Ulid about The same Muny Monday and Theaday; however have been able to sort out just about everything and place each day's observer former. The correct later. Tuesday & Jame 4,1968. 1. Chined at Kennore Cheme just North of Wilsline Blud. shortly after 3:00 P. h. and started for park my automobile. Noticed broken glass from liquin bottles 102001 680702001 20GRECANTEREDENTIAL

· in the street where wo wanted to jack, so got out of can and proceeded to kick glass out of The way but there was too bunch in the street; and I guit, Then backed auto to parling place serval spaces down termore and parked on same side of street. about mid-way between Wilsleine and 65 Street. 2. Sat in car sorting pageen L planned To use in unaking telphone Calle at The Hotel and also histored To Election seturns on my car Sadio. 3. While sitting in The automobile, my attention was directed to an aggrantly disabled two tone white and another light color CONFIDENTIAL
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in height, seemed rather strong but not uniscular. He had very dark hair which appeared stright and probably was block. He CONFIDENTIAL 680702004

.. was well built and was in his early twenties or parliges younger. He was not handsome and was hersed who the man who had initially helped to puch The old sedan acrosa Wilshire Blad. 4. as The darker young man justed The vehicle down Kennore, it gamed momentum, and started to Coast raidly. Herring This point, a series of interesting Things Josh place. The sedan suddenly mother shappy from side to side more Than once, The car door on The driver's side swing open and The vehicle momentarily beard in the direction of they partied can causing me to observe the near. grantie goings-on with for greater CONFIDENTIAL 680702005

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interest Than at just. 5. after Things settled down somewhat, The darker young man who had been purling The old sedan; began races along side The vehicle and after several attempts was able to jump into the driver's seat. Here actions took place gyposite my car, and the man who jeinged into the rapidly coasting autombile did not close the car door until after the relicle had passed by vantage 6. Therefore I was able to look into the old sedan as it went by just pin to the moment That the young man racing outside jeinfied into the drute's seat; and I saw a small lack longolepind CONFIDENTIAL
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young man with darle county hair hioving over toward The passenger side of the front seat from the vicinity of the steering wheel in order to make room for the man racing beside The car. 7. The dark young man ( withen Negro nor Black), now safely in The diver's seat and sterry The automobile down the street, looked over at me where I was seated in my parked car, and be appeared startled or else that may be his usual countenance. Et that particular moment, he appeared To me to have large " circular eyes"; They were wide open and a good description would be would -like"

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Where he was plain. The car and then looked lack over fein sloulder in very direction once again les the lar coasted north down Kennore Avenue beyond my parting space. Aling this time be apparently triel. to we the forward momentum of the car'to start The automobile's engine. He engine « compled " sound as Strongh it would start at all. I believe. The automobile may have stalled at the tottom of Kennine are. at Sith Street: I then left my automobile and headed the and socialor CONFIDENTIAL
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Hotel and looked down The street once again toward the place Where the car apparently had stogged. It seemed as Though The two young wen sleoginged some people there who may have helped them. have helped them. I definitely could recogninge and identify the old sedan zwited in These comments at their Time and probably would recall the license plate letter - number series upon soing the plate again became for some season, it stands out in and and my wind as being unusual and somewhat different from The word run of license plates (California) although dan vot state what it is at the moment.

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1. I walked to the dulassador Hotel and noted The Time to be 3:20 P.m. at the Security Fint National Bank clocks inside The Hotel and then calculated & had until 5:15 P. h. to wake the Telephone calls and get lack to my car in the wetered parking your at The very latest. 2. Changed 25 & at The autainson Hotel Coffee Stronge. Had to hait for cashier ( homan; middle aged. or perhaps a little older) to discuss a problem about a key with an apparently Confused woman employee (Chamber-maid?; has mildle age about 5'5" tall and seemed heavy was CONFIDENTIAL 680702010

which see wed to have had something to do with a closet party or storage room (locked?) Treld me ap for about three or four trimeter. 3.2 Then proceeded to long line of quiet and comfortable public public for tologhour loothes down consider adjacent to one of the large weeting rooms. Noticed widdle age thite wan of average height and build standing close to and facing an engity phone booth which he did not enter. He appeared to be doing but the little on mothing and did so for some minutes after I entered a some minutes after I entered a The man was thinking about pomething. I walked around The man and sat

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in a telephone broth legal where he was standing and puttering 4. I placed a number of telephone Calls pour umbers of had gotten from contacts and through the Yellow lages in The Helgshove Directory in regard to Venday Madrine Companier, especially loffee. Have been attempting To find a Company whose Vending Nachmen will accept and peoperly dispense the ven Freeze Dry Coffee (an dustant Coffee Crystal-Type dry coffee); and also if the occasion presente itself have mentioned the liquid loffee Estract Which is an excellent groduct and is the first major stage in the making of the Frege- try Coffee. CONFIDENTIAL
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Called academy Vendora at 622-3678 and spokes to hus, Oden, wife of the owner, who said tensboad would be interested but was jut and to call back between 4:30 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. Called Un. Oden just after 4,30 P.M. and had a very bad connection; it too. A N.B. I have used these public pay telephones a number of Time since & attended the 1968 NAMA Convention (National automatice Merchandising association) at The aulasador Hotel last March (1968) when Ol first discovered The Hotel had excellent public telephone facilities and herer encountered The poor connection That occurred on

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June 4, 1968 before - not even on Monday ferme 3, 1968. H One Vendry Company switchboard Operator asked for my pay plane humber in case my call was Sioconnected while Characted for a particular extension line to dear, however This was not recessary because the line cleared almost immediately after she had asked melthe question. Some stelephone Congrany the area on the fourth , and I assumed the difficulties were being coursed by them. I didn't think very wuch about the poor Connections At the Time, although They were amonging. 625 RED ARENDERED DO ENTIAL

5. I left the telephone booth at about 4:45 P.M. To 4:50 P.M. and started walking to my car parked on Kennone ave. earlier Than I had planned because no une business calla were possible at that hour, and I had had lungh of the telephone for Most day! On very way out of The Hotel I debated whether or not to go into The Coffee Shope for affer that becided it would be playing the meter time too close and did not bother because I felt I undoubtedly would have a weter violation and prosible ticket if I spent the time there that I usually take 680702015 CONFIDENTIAL

1. at about 4:55 P. hi. to 5:00 Ph, Wleft The Hotel Building by the front, side loor which is adjacent to the Jecuity First National Bank Office at the Olivansador. As I headed west down the outside Covidor; I noted a fecuity officer or Juand ( has in a Blue lewform) also walking west and walked as few pases alway of lein. as I neared the jennature of their consider and the covered walking 16 Wilshire Boulevard, & Then toted a Doorman. (in lingform) moving toward the hain Front Entrance area. Perhaps them Two people made some observations Which would tend to constante

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Those observations I would make subsequently and almost seen the sand and The Dorman) 2 I turned North and started wallery down the covered walkway at approximately 5:00 P. hi. There were very few people in the walker at the time, and to I could see clear Through to hilshire Boulevard. Cefter & halled a few paces down halled a few paces down The halleway; oller man walking up the world walk gunte a few feet. North of we and to way left. He had one particular physical. trait that immediately Cought by attention and that is The lung in which he walked. He 2025 RELEASE UNDER FOR 12 THE WITH AL 680702017

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did not have what at would . Call " that Owerican Looke", he looked "foreign" for me and at the time of wondered if juriliages he were Russian, however That was just a gress. The "authory - gaited" man looked at me as I looked at being and as we drew closer to one another, he seemed to stare at me with a very interese, blank impassive, and expressionless look which disturbed me, and after we had passed one another and I had some a number of paces down the walkung, I moved over Toward the East rile, stopped for a moment, and looked back at The "ambling-sailed" man to see what he was doing because for some season I did not trust CONFIDENTIAL 25 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176 680702019