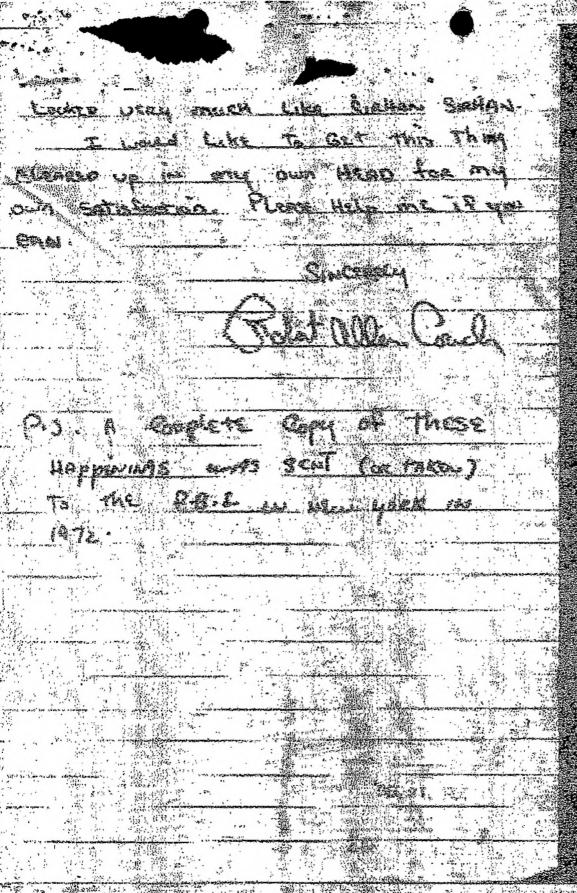
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For the information of receiving offices, as per reNYteletype to the Bureau and Los Angeles, hospital records regarding ROBERT ALLEN COUCH are not available without a medical release signed by Mr. GOUCH. Mr. COUCH was referred to the Bureau of Social Services for Massau County, County Seat Drive, Mineola, NY, by the staff at Northeast Massau Psychiatric Hospital, Kings Park, NY.

According to Mrs. SHIRLEY LEVY, Housing Division Supervisor, Nassau Department of Social Services, Mr. COUCH was referred on 2/13/76, to Mr. STANLEY AUGUSEWICZ, 108 Shields Ave., Williston Park, NY, for temporary housing.

On 3/2/76, Mr. AUGUSEWICZ was contacted and advised that on date not recalled, he received a telephonic contact from an individual who introduced himself as ROBERT COUCH, indicating a referral for temporary housing from the Nassau County Bureau of Social Services. Mr. AUGUSEWICZ furnished this caller with pertinent information, direction, etc., however, Mr. COUCH never arrived.

Repeated contacts with Mr. AUGUSEWICZ and with Mrs. LEVY have failed to develop any new information as to the current location of ROBERT ALLEN COUCH.

In view of the NYO's inability to locate and interview Mr. COUCH, and the fact that he has made no further attempts to resolve this matter since leaving Northeast Nassau Fsychiatric Hospital, this matter is being RUC'd, subject to reopening upon the developing of any additional details.

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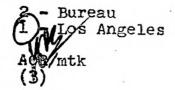
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All phases of this investigation have been brought to a logical conclusion.

No current investigation remains outstanding at Los Angeles; therefore, this case will be considered closed pending any further developments.



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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 Ambassadore 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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Date September 27, 1968

Mrs. MARY RUTH SALING, Morgantown, Kentucky, advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, she was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. She was on a Greyhound Bus Tour with her mother, Mrs. OPAL OAKLEY and her eight-year-old daughter,

Mrs. SALING advised that she did not see or hear anything unusual previous to the morning when they were questioned by a police officer and learned of the trouble. She stated that she had never heard of SIRHAN and had not seen him around the hotel.

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Date September 27, 1968

Mrs. OPAL OAKLEY, Morgantown, Kentucky, advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, she was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. She was in the motel section of the hotel with her <u>daughter Mrs.</u> RUTH SALING and her eight-year-old grandaughter

On the night of June 4, 1968, the three of them took a walk at approximately 9:00 p.m., returned to the lobby for a short time and retired at approximately 10:00 p.m. They did not see or hear anything unusual that night or previously. On the morning of June 5, 1968, they walked outside the room and were stopped by a police officer and asked to show their key after being asked if they were guests of the hotel. This was the only thing out of the ordinary that happened to her on this occasion.

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Mrs. ALLEYNE MADDOX, 2023 Clays Mill Road, advised that she and two companions, Mrs. PHYLLIS HARVEY of 2192 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, Kentucky, and Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS of 111 Goodrich Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky, had joined a Greyhound Bus Tour which departed from Chicago, Illinois, on May 26, 1968. About twenty persons were on the tour, however, only the above three individuals were from Lexington, Kentucky. She advised the three left the tour about June 14, 1968, at St. Louis, Missouri.

She advised the three ladies shared a room in one of the detached buildings on the rear grounds of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4 and 5, 1968.

She stated all three had been in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel the night of June 4, 1968, just watching the crowd. However, they retired at about 11:30 PM and all three went to their room together. She stated while in the lobby they did not see Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY or any of his party.

She advised the three ladies had no knowledge whatsoever concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until they turned on their television in their room the following morning of June 5, 1968, and that all three were greatly shocked upon learning the news of his assassination.

She advised that none of the three ladies had any knowledge of any conspiracy and had never before heard of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

She advised that Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS is not presently at her residence in Lexington, Kentucky, as she has gone to Florida where she will spend the winter. She

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advised that Mrs.AYERS had been residing with a daughter at 245 Charles Court, Satellite Beach, Florida. She stated however that the most recent address she has for Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS is that she is now residing in an apartment at 1395 AIA Boulevard, Apartment 3, Satellite Beach, Florida.

She stated she know of her own knowledge that Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS had no knowledge whatsoever concerning any conspiracy regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F: KENNEDY and that also Mrs. AYERS had never heard of and did not know SIRMAN B: SIRMAN except what she had heard through the news subsequent to the assassination of Senator KENNEDY:

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Mrs. PHYLLIS HARVEY, 2192 Harrodsburg Road, advised that she was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel. Los Angeles, California, on the night of June 4, 1968, the night of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She explained that she had been on a Greyhound Bus tour which originated in Chicago, Ollinois. She was accompanied by two friends, Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS, whose residence is 111 Goodrich Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky, and Mrs. ALLEYNE MADDOX, whose residence is 2023 Clays Mill Road, Lexington; Kentucky. All three were guests at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the night of June 4, 1968, and all three were staying together sharing a room in one of the buildings on the grounds at the rear of the main Ambassador Hotel. They had all three been together in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel where they were watching the crowd and had retired rather late that night at approximately 11:30 PM. They had no knowledge concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F KENNEDY until the following morning of June 5, 1968, at which time they heard the news when they turned on the television. While in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968, they did not see Senator ROBERT F KENNEDY or any of his party as they were in another section.

She advised they knew of no conspiracy and did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and had never heard of him prior to the above incident.

She advised that Mrs. VICTORIA AYERS is presently residing in an apartment in Florida, where she will spend the winter. She advised Mrs. AYERS can be contacted through an address at 245 Charles Court, Satellite Beach, Florida. She stated however, that she knew of her own knowledge that Mrs. AYERS could furnish no additional pertinent information concerning the assassination of Senator JOHN F. KENNEDY.

She remarked that all three were greatly shocked the morning of June 5, 1968, when they learned over the news

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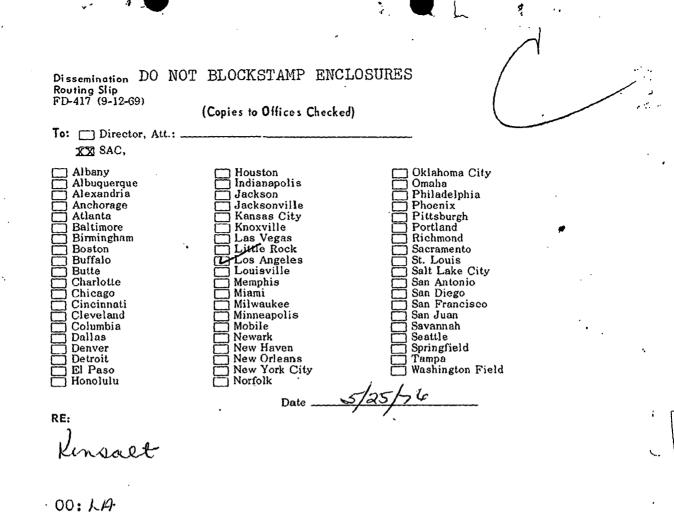
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Mrs. JOSEPH KUBAY, 421 Chestnut Street, Johnstown, Pa., advised that she and her husband were part of a Greyhound tour which arrived in Los Angeles on June 4, 1968. She advised that they had reservations at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles and that they arrived in their room at approximately 4:00 p.m., on June 4, d968. She stated that when leaving the following day, they learned of the assassination of ROBERT KENNEDY, and that they saw nothing unusual while in the hotel.

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Mrs. SAM DIEMER, 815 Walnut Street, Fairmont, W. Va., advised that it is possible that she and her husband were registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968, however, she and her husband did not arrive at that hotel on that date.

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Mrs. DIEMER explained that she and her husband were on a tour conducted by the Berry Tour Savice, which originated in Chicago, Illinois, approximately a week prior to that date. They departed Chicago via train and visited a number of places en route to San Francisco, California, where they arrived on June 1, 1968. While en route across to Arizona, some difficulty arose in the air conditioning system which allowed a considerable amount of dust to enter the train. Mr. DIMER is an asthmatic and this effected him considerably. He required the attention of a doctor while on the train and was attended by a physician for the three days that he was in a hotel in San Francisco. Because of his condition, the remainder of the tour was cancelled and Mrs. IIHER advised that she and her husband departed from San Francisco, California, on June 3, 1968, flying to Pittsburgh, Pa., and then returned to their home in Fairmont, W. Va.

Mrs DIEMER advised that she and her husband knew nothing about the happenings at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968, except what they have read in the newspapers and heard on television.

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MARIE E. RATCLIFFE, 307 Veri Drive, wife of ROBERT W. RATCLIFFE, was interviewed and concurred with the information furnished by her husband. She was unable to furnish any additional information and did not recall seeing any suspicious individuals or activity during her stay at the hotel.

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ROBERT W. RATCLIFFE, 307 Veri Drive, was Interviewed and advised that he and his wife, MARIE, arrived at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, at approximately 4:30 PM on June 4, 1968. They were part of a Greyhound tour out of Chicago, Illinois.

He and his wife ate dinner in the hotel restaurant and at 8:30 PM went into the Embassy Room to await the election returns. At approximately 10:30 PM, he and his wife, tired from the day's travel, went to their room in the hotel annex and went to bed.

It was not until the following morning at breakfast that he and his wife learned that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY had been killed in the hotel.

He did not recall seeing any suspicious individuals or activity during the period of time he was in the hotel.

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Mrs. ANNA L. WHITE, 939 Elk Street, Franklin, Pa., advised that she has relatives in the Los Angeles, Calif., area and stated that she desired to make a visit to that area during the latter part May or early June, 1968. She stated that she made inquiry concerning a Greyhound Bus tour which was leaving from Chicago, Ill., proceeding to Los Angeles, Calif., and returning to Chicago. She stated that she determined through this inquiry that the schedule of the bust tour would not be satisfactory to her and, therefore, she proceeded to Los Angeles ahead of the scheduled tour and made arrangements to return from Los Angeles to Chicago, Ill., with the tour. She stated that according to arrangements made by her, she was to join the tour on June 7, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. WHITE advised that the tour arrived at the Ambassador Hotel on Tuesday afternoon, June 4, 1968; however, she stated that she was not with the tour at that time, and did not stay at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968. She stated that she contacted the hotel on or about June 5, 1968, and made arrangements to stay at the hotel on the night of June 6, 1968, in order that she could join the tour on June 7, 1968.

Mrs. WHITE advised that she could not explain how her name got on the list of registered guests at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968; however, she stated that it is possible that her name was included on the list of the tour members and, therefore, would have been included on the register of the hotel guests.

Mrs. WHITE advised that the Greyhound tour was a 20-day tour leaving from Chicago, Ill., proceeding to California, and returning. She stated that she flew to California on May 24, 1968, and joined the tour on June 7, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel for the return to Chicago. Mrs. WHITE advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, she was staying with relatives in Santa Ana, Calif.

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EVELYN PLANAVSKY, 217 West 11th Avenue, Tarentum, Pa., was interviewed at her place of employment, Liberty Mirror, Third and Cherry Streets.

She and two companions, HENRIETTA STERLITZ and DELORES KNAPEK, were part of a tour booked with the Sprowles TWA Travel Agency, 521 Seventh Street, New Kensington, Pa. She and her companions, arrived in Los Angeles on June 2, 1968, and registered at the Ambassador Hotel.

When she learned that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was also staying at that hotel, and was to speak later that day, she and her companions remained in the corridor leading from the Embassy Room to the lobby from approximately 6:00 p.m., until the shooting occurred.

She did not notice any suspicious activity in the hotel during this period, other than two teenage boys and one teenage girl who would pop baloons and then comment in bad taste that KENNEDY had been shot.

At approximately 12:15 a.m., on June 5, 1968, she heard several shots and heard someone comment that KENNEDY had been shot. A few minutes later she observed police officers take the assassin from the hotel. This was the only time she had seen that individual. After observing SIRHAN being taken from the hotel, she returned to her room.

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DELORES KNAPEK, 35 Natrona Street, was interviewed and advised that she and two companions, HENRIETTA STERLITZ and EVELYN PLANAVSKY, booked a tour through Sprowles TWA Travel Agency, 521 Seventh Street, New Kensington, Pa., and arrived in Los Angeles on June 2, 1968. While there, they stayed at the Ambassador Hotel. When she learned that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was also staying at that hotel and that a victory rally was planned, she and her companions remained in the corridor leading from the Embassy Room to the lobby from approximately 6:00 p.m., until 12:15 a.m., the following morning. She stated that the hotel was packed with people and during that period of time she did not see anyone acting in a suspicious manner. She did not see or overhear the comments of the teenagers which her two companions had heard.

At approximately 12:15 a.m., she heard several shots and went into the Embassy Room. There she heard an unknown individual say that KENNEDY had been shot and then she saw another man with blood on his head. She then returned to the corridor and saw the Los Angeles Police taking SIRHAN from the hotel. She had not seen this individual in the hotel prior to that time. After SIRHAN had been taken from the hotel, she returned to her room.

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HENRIETTA STERLITZ, 1109 Brackenridge Road, was interviewed at her place of employment, Liberty Mirror, Third and Cherry Streets. She and two companions, DELORES KNAPEK and EVELYN PLANAVSKY, booked a tour with Sprowles TWA Travel Agency, 521 Seventh Street, New Kensington, Pa., and left Pittsburgh enroute to San Francisco and ultimately Los Angeles, California. They arrived in Los Angeles on Sunday afternoon, June 2, 1968, and registered at the Ambassador Hotel.

HENRIETTA ultimately learned that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was also staying at that hotel and was to speak later that day. She and her companions remained in the corridor leading from the Embassy Room to the lobby, outside the rest room area, in order to see Senator KENNEDY and hear what he had to say. She advised that they remained in that corridor from approximately 6:00 p.m., on June 4, 1968, until 12:15 a.m., on June 5, 1968, when the shooting occurred.

While in the corridor, the only suspicious activity she observed involved two teenage boys and one teenage girl. They would occasionally pop baloons, which had been placed in the hotel for the victory rally and after the baloons were popped they would say, "What's all the excitement," and another would reply, "Kennedy's dead." They did this several times and, at the time, she felt that they were just horsing around even though it was in bad taste.

At approximately 12:15 a.m., she heard three or four shots. At the time, she thought that someone was popping more baloons until she heard an unknown individual say, "They shot Kennedy, Kennedy's dead." She did not believe it at first, but when she saw one of KENNEDY's group carried out of the hotel and heard all the crying and commotion, she was convinced.

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She saw individuals that she believed to be officers from the Los Angeles Police Department take the assassin from the hotel. She had not seen him during the six or seven hours she had been standing in the corridor. After seeing SIRHAN taken from the hotel she returned to her room. She could furnish no further information concerning this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Los Angeles, California July 16, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to . File No.

> Mr. John K. Van de Kamp District Attorney Los Angeles County Hall of Justice, Room 604 Los Angeles, California 90012

> > Re: Assassination of Robert F. Kennedy

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a letterhead memorandum concerning information furnished this office by Daniel T. Estrada.

This is being furnished for your information and any action deemed appropriate by your office.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT E. GEBHARDT / Assistant Director / in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTICATION Los Angeles, California July 8, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

DANIEL T. ESTRADA

On July 6, 1976, Daniel T. Estrada, 1352 Volney Drive, Los Angeles, California, Telephone Number 261-7612, called this office from the East Los Angeles Municipal Court where he was appearing on a narcotics and burglary charge.

Estrada advised that he had information on the Robert Kennedy murder and that the source of his information was Sirhan Sirhan who was in an adjacent cell to him when he was in San Quentin.

Estrada stated that he would provide information in exchange for whatever the Federal Bureau of Investigation could do to help him with the local authorities. Estrada was advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation would not and could not make any deal with him.

Further Estrada stated that Sirhan had already had a Ronald Wood murdered in the Nevada State Penitentiary because he was talking to Federal agents about the same information.

In connection with another investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was learned that Sirhan Sirhan had determined that Ronald Wood, who was incarcerated at San Quentin Penitentiary at the same time as

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Re: DANIEL T. ESTRADA

Sirhan was going to write an article about Sirhan that would be a complete fabrication and Sirhan was fearful that it would effect his parole status. Sirhan had another inmate at San Quentin Penitentiary write up an affidavit to the effect that Sirhan had never confided in or furnished information to Wood and that Wood intended to fictionalize the information for an alleged magazine article.

Information was received from the Las Vegas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that Ronald Wood was received at the Nevada State Penitentiary on March 30, 1973, from San Quentin Penitentiary as a protective custody prisoner and was found dead in his cell on September 21, 1974. Wood had been bludgeoned to death and his murder has not been solved to date. Two theories were advanced in connection with this murder, one that he was an informant and another that he was a known drug salesman in prison and that he had sold drugs that were substandard and had refused a refund on these drugs.

No further inquiry or investigation is being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the information furnished by Daniel T. Estrada.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-0)

DATE: 7/22/76

FROM : SA ROBERT L. BERRY

SUBJECT: KILLING OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY

Joseph Gall appeared at the FBI office instant date and advised that he is a former broadcasting engineer with CBS. Gall stated that he was present during the killing of Robert Kennedy and that he believes he has some vital information which he has come to realize could be significant to the investigation of the killing.

Attached is a copy of a note Gall had in his possession which relates what his knowledge is concerning the killing.

Gall related he has tried to give this information to the District Attorney, but he has failed to return any calls.

Gall advised he was giving the attached to help the FBI in any investigation they conduct relating to the killing.

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I was at the Ambassadore Hotel that evening-working with a television news and public affairs unit. At the approximate time fo the assassination, in another area of the hotel, I was speaking with a hotel employee who, in response to a casual comment, became quite disturbed and irrational. It was impossible to follow all he was saying-- but his feelings were clear: he hated certain minorities and the politicians who supported and encouraged them. He spoke with an accent and said he was from Ceylon.

Later, when asked to comment on this experience the District Attorney's Office informed our news department they knew nothing of a hotel employee as a discribed him-- that each employee had been investigated at the time and I "had nothing to worry about".

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

(56-156) (P)

DATE: 8/30/76

FROM : SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR.

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On 8/26/76, Supervisor HOMER BOYNTON of the Bureau called regarding the dissemination of information in the Kensalt Case. BOYNTON's inquiry concerned whether or not this office had disseminated any new information on the killing of ROBERT KENNEDY by SIRHAN to SIRHAN's Defense Attorney. Further BOYNTON stated that he had received an inquiry from RON OSTROW of the Los Angeles 'Times' concerning the fact that the Bureau had furnished SIRHAN's attorney with new information.

BOYNTON was advised that this office had furnished no information concerning the KENNEDY case and has had no contact with SIRHAN's Defense Attorney.

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Sirhan B. Sirhan acted alone in assassinating Robert F. Kennedy, in the opinion of the special counsel appointed to investigate the senator's June 5, 1968, murder in the pantry of the Ambassador Hotel.

Thomas F. Kranz offered that conclusion and others in a delayed 60page report scheduled for release Tuesday by the Los Angeles County district attorney's office.

"Special Counsel Kranz has found no evidence, or possibility of evidence, of any coverup by law enforcement agencies to protect their own reputation or preserve the original conviction." the report said.

"Kranz has found no indication that there was more than one assassin, who may have fired more than one gun, with more than eight bullets.

"Special Counsel Kranz is convinced, from all the evidence, that there was no second gunman, and that the original trial court verdict was correct."

Similar conclusions were expressed by the 38-year-old private attorney in a story published by The Times on March 1, 1976, after the conclusion of the "second gun" hearings conducted by Superior Judge Robert A. Wenke.

Kranz explained in a foreword that there has been "some unwarranted speculation" that delay in its issuance had resulted from changes being made in the report.

"Such speculation is false," Kranz wrote. "This report is my product and no changes in either content or substance have been made by any other persons."

Kranz said that because of cutbacks in the district attorney's staff, secretaries were not available to work full time on the report, which was drafted twice before a final copy was prepared for reproduction.

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