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she felt she knew all of KALVODA's associates and KOROVICH was not one of them. Miss DEEMS said she tried to contact the FBI Office in Los Angeles but all of the lines were busy. Since the flight was already en route, she thought she would save time and called the New York Office of the FBI regarding TAMARA KOROVICH. Miss DEEMS stated she subsequently learned from KALVODA that TAMARA KOROVICH is a stewardess with American Airlines. She is based in New York and KALVODA met her casually at the Miramar Hotel in Santa Monica, California, during one of her layovers. Miss DEEMS stated she now has no reason to connect TAMARA KOROVICH with the shooting of ROBERT KENNEDY.

Date 6/26/68

TYRONE CHAPMANN, a jockey, Longacres Race Track, Renton, Washington, residence Four Seasons Apartments, South 176th Street, Apartment 115, Seattle-Tacoma Airport, Seattle, Washington, advised that he does not know how or why his name was among the effects of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He stated he does not know SIRHAN personally and to his knowledge has never met him. CHAPMANN advised that at the time of the KENNEDY assassination, he observed SIRHAN's picture in the newspaper, but it meant nothing to him, and he did not recognize SIRHAN at that time as somebody he knew.

He concluded by stating he has raced at Santa Anita Race Track in California, and it is possible that he has unknowingly come in contact with SIRHAN on the race track. He was unable to provide any information concerning Jordanian nationals or anti-Israeli groups.

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JOHN D. THOMAS, Thomas Book and Stationery, 614 Broadway, residence Route 1, Westlake Carlos, Alexandria, Minnesota, advised that he was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, with his family from Saturday June 1, 1968, until he departed from Los Angeles on Monday morning June 3, 1968. When departing from Los Angeles on June 3, 1968, he had traveled to Santa Barbara, California.

THOMAS stated that he did not learn of the death of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until the late morning of June 5, 1968, at Santa Barbara. He stated that he does not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, he did not see him at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, and he has no knowledge whatsoever concerning a possible conspiracy in the death of Senator KENNEDY.

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10/11/68 Date .

RICHARD D. KIRCH, 2430 Kenwood Manor, Apartment 13, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, advised as follows:

He is employed as a traveling salesman for the Bulova Watch Company and recalls that he arrived in Los Angeles. California, from Las Vegas, Nevada, on Sunday, June 2, 1968, and checked into the Ambassador Hotel on that same date.

He checked out of the Ambassador and left Los Angeles at 2:30 PM on June 5, 1968, after concluding his business in Los Angeles.

He did not witness the assassination of United States Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, has never seen subject SIRHAN, nor does he know of anyone who did see SIRHAN in or around the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles during the night of June 4, 1968.

He indicated he has no information whatever in this case and could furnish no information of value to this investigation.

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Date October 7, 1968

SUSAN FARMER, 1103 4th Street Southeast, Room 4, advised that she formerly resided at 1912 22nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and was a roommate of NANCY A. WIEBOLD. Miss FARMER stated that she, too, is a student at the University of Minnesota, and she, too, dropped out of school during the spring quarter in order to work on the campaign of Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY. Miss FARMER stated that when ROBERT F. KENNEDY announced his candidacy, she and her roommate left the MC CARTHY group and went to work for Senator KENNEDY.

Miss FARMER stated that she was in Los Angeles approximately two weeks prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY working as a stenographer for the KENNEDY force. Miss FARMER stated that at the time of the shooting she was outside the hotel with NANCY A. WIEBOLD helping to organize a motorcade. She stated that she did not hear the shots and did not know there had been a shooting until she saw a man helping another man get in a car. At this point she heard someone: say: hurry get him to the hospital; he has been shot. Miss FARMER stated that they did not know that Senator KENNEDY had been shot until sometime later. Shewstated that the only time she ever saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN was when she saw the police taking him out of the hotel. Miss FARMER stated that she does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN B. SIRHAN around the Ambassador Hotel and definitely does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN B. SIRHAN with anyone except the police.

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Date October 7, 1968

Miss NANCY A. WIEBOLD, 940 Franklin Terrace, Apartment 304, advised that she formerly resided at 912 22nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Miss WIEBOLD advised that she is currently a student at the University of Minnesota. She advised that during the spring quarter she left the University of Minnesota to work in the political campaign of Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY first and then when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY announced his candidacy, she left the MC CARTHY group and joined the KENNEDY group.

Miss WIEBOLD stated that she was in Los Angeles at the Ambassador Hotel for approximately two weeks before Senator KENNEDY was shot. She stated that she worked for Senator KENNEDY's candidacy and her main duties were that of a stenographer.

Miss WIEBOLD stated that to the best of her recollection, the time of the shooting was when she was outside the Ambassador Hotel helping to organize a motorcade. She stated that she definitely did not hear the shot and the first time she realized that someone had been shot she saw a man helping another man into a car at which point he said something to the effect get him to the hospital quick. He has been shot. Sometime later she entered the hotel where she found out that Senator KENNEDY had also been shot.

Miss WIEBOLD stated that she has seen pictures of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and to the best of her knowledge she never saw him in or around the Ambassador Hotel during her entire stay at the hotel. She stated that the only time she saw him in person was when he was taken from the hotel by the police.

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#### Date October 4, 1968

AUSTIN L. KNUTSON, Vice President, First National Bank of Minneapolis, home address 1717 Morgan Avenue South, advised that he was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968. Mr. KNUTSON stated that during the night of June 4-5, 1968, he more or less wandered around the hotel visiting the rooms of the various candidates. He stated that he definitely recalled the room where Senator KENNEDY was shot. Mr. KNUTSON stated that he was in Los Angeles on banking business and had been up since early morning and as a result at about 10:30 p.m. or 11:00 p.m. he went to his room and went to bed. He stated that he was asleep when he heard someone crying in the hall outside. Mr. KNUTSON stated that he did not get up and did not really think too much about it until he heard another person crying and shouting that someone had been shot. Mr. KNUTSON stated that he got out of bed and turned on the television and at that time heard the news that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Mr. KNUTSON stated that he watched television and never did leave his room until the next morning.

Mr. KNUTSON stated that he had seen several photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and has seen him on television on several occasions. Mr. KNUTSON stated that to the best of his knowledge he did not see SIRHAN B. SIRHAN around the Ambassador Hotel nor did he see SIRHAN B. SIRHAN with anybody. He stated that the first time he saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN was on television after the KENNEDY shooting.

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On 10/1/68 JOHN CALGUIRE (protect identity), Post Office, Columbia Heights, Minnesota, (suburb of Minneapolis, Minnesota) advised his records reflect RICHARD D. KIRCH, 6115 Woody Lane, has left a forwarding address of Kenwood Manor, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are 22 copies of FD-302 covering interview with RICHARD KIRCH.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 5, 1968

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, 206 Pine Avenue, Severna Park, Maryland, advised that he is self employed as the executive representative for Automatic Retailers of America, with offices in his home, where he resides with his wife and family. He furnished the following information:

He was a volunteer worker in the Kennedy Campaign and had been placed in charge of the businessmen's committee for the State of California. He spent most of the month of May, 1968, in California, in connection with this campaign and stayed, for the most part, in cabana 14B of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

On June 4-5, 1968, TAYLOR was at the Ambassador Hotel and about 15-30 minutes before the assassination of Senator KENNEDY, he had left the shooting scene at the hotel and was in his cabana taking a shower, getting ready for departure on June 5, 1968, for his home in Maryland. He estimated that cabana 14B was approximately 100 yards from the front entrance to the hotel. He stated he did not hear any shot at about 12:15 A.M. on June 5, 1968, but that he got out of his shower at about that time because of the loud level of noise from the hotel and thereafter learned of the shooting.

He was not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, could not recall seeing him and had no information concerning the assassination of Senator KENNEDY from personal knowledge. He stated he could not get into the area of the shooting scene shortly after the shooting because of the crowds and the restrictions of the police department.

He left Los Angeles, California, by plane for his home in Maryland, June 5, 1968.

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Dr. PHILLIP D. BONNET, Professor in the School of Hygiene and Health, Johns Hopkins University (JHU), Baltimore, Maryland, advised that on June 4, 1968 at approximately 8:30 P.M., Los Angeles time, he registered at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. He stated that this reservation was made by the American College of Hospital Administration, San Francisco, California and that he had gone to Los Angeles to attend a seminar on a hospital administration which began on June 3, 1968 and continued through June 6, 1968. Upon arrival at the Ambassador Hotel, he discovered that in addition to the seminar on hospital administration there were several other conventions and political meetings being held.

After checking into the hotel, Dr. BONNET had his dinner in the hotel and went to his room where he retired at approximately 10:30 P.M. Around 12:30 or 1 A.M. on June 5, 1968 he was awakened by someone knocking at his door and upon checking, found out that it was someone who had the wrong room. He stated that he then went back to sleep and when he awakened the next morning, he heard over his television that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY had been assassinated in the hotel. He stated that he did not see Senator KENNEDY upon his arrival at the hotel and upon viewing the photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN he stated that he did not see anyone who resembled this picture.

Dr. BONNET stated that he has no information regarding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and that it was quite a shock to him when he heard of it on the morning of June 5, 1968. He further stated that he had no information concerning any possible conspiracy in the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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Date October 29, 1968

CARMINE BELLINO, Certified Public Accountant, 9200 Burning Tree Road, Bethesda, Maryland, was interviewed and he furnished the following:

BELLINO was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968. The reason he was there was because he was working on the presidential campaign of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

BELLINO spent part of the evening of June 4, 1968, in the main lobby of the Ambassador Hotel and he had anticipated that KENNEDY would make an appearance there. KENNEDY, however, never made an appearance there. After the shots were fired at KENNEDY due to the confusion BELLINO was not able to enter and he eventually went to his own room.

BELLINO recalled that two firemen appeared at the door of the above hotel at the main lobby and as there were too many people there the firemen thinned the crowd out by preventing people from entering and in some instances people that went out were not able to get back in. Later in the evening, however, before midnight, the firemen began letting everyone in and the place rapidly became very crowded. BELLINO thought this was very unusual but could not attach any particular significance to this or connect it with events at the hotel that night. He merely brought this out during the interview as it was the only unusual thing he could recall happening at the hotel, which he observed, prior to the assassination.

He had no information indicating a possible conspiracy in this matter, he did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, and had no recollection of seeing him about the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

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Date October 29, 1968

IRA KAPENSTEIN, 6810 Greyswood Road, Bethesda, Maryland, employed by the Personnel Department, U. S. Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., was interviewed and he furnished the following information:

KAPENSTEIN was on the staff of LARRY O'BRIEN, working for the election of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and as a result of that employment he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968.

Due to the very large crowd involved, while he was present at the Ambassador Hotel, KAPENSTEIN, during the evening and night of June 4, 1968, remained in his room at the Ambassador and watched television programs covering the speech that day of ROBERT KENNEDY and events following the speech.

KAPENSTEIN as a result of his presence at the hotel learned nothing which would have a bearing on the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He was in possession of no information indicating a possible conspiracy, did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and had no recollection of seeing him around the above hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

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Mrs. PATRICIA ANN STEWART, 11711 Stonington Place, Silver Spring, Maryland, furnished the following information:

Mrs. STEWART is the wife of RICHARD H. STEWART, a reporter of the Boston Globe, and she was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968. Mrs. STEWART spent the evening and night in her hotel room watching the campaign activities on television. She was not circulating around the hotel downstairs around the time of the assassination. Mr. STEWART was at a television studio at Burbank, California, that night.

The only things that she noted which she would consider unusual was a party in an adjoining room which was very noisy, and which continued to be so even after the word of the assassination of Senator KENNEDY was publicized on radio and television. She also felt that it was unusual when a helicopter on the helicopter pad at the hotel left just after the ambulance left the hotel with, presumably, Senator KENNEDY, and the helicopter did not put its lights on until it reached an altitude over the building. While this struck her as unusual, she had no information which would connect the incident with the assassination of Senator KENNEDY.

She was in possession of no information which would indicate a possible conspiracy in the KENNEDY assassination, she did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, nor did she ever recall seeing him about the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

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WILLIAM A. GEOGHEGAN, 9612 Accord Drive, Potomac, Maryland, and attorney in the firm of PIERSON, BALL and DOWD, Ring Building, Washington, D.C., was interviewed and furnished the following information:

He was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, on the morning of June 4, 1968. Mr. GEOGHEGAN had been in Los Angeles with the Senator ROBERT KENNEDY campaign staff but checked out of the Ambassador Hotel by 8 AM, June 4, 1968. He did spend the night of the third at the hotel. His work on the primary campaign was over therefore he left early.

Mr. GEOGHEGAN observed nothing which could have a bearing on the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He had no information concerning a possible conspiracy in the matter, he did not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, nor did he have any recollection of seeing SIRHAN around the hotel on the night of June 3, 1968, or at any other time while he was at the hotel.

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Date July 23, 1908

MAX JOHNSON, 4311 Elderon Avenue, Baltincre, Maryland, advised that he is employed as a news reporter by the Baltimore Afro-American Newspaper, located at 628 North Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. JOHNSON states that he was assigned to the coverage of the political campaign of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. JOHNSON was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on June 4-5, 1968, when Senator KENNEDY was killed, but he did not actually witness the killing. Mr. JOHNSON states that, as best as he can recall, he was on his way to that part of the Ambassador Hotel where Senator KENNEDY was expected to talk to various representatives of the press, when the assassination of Senator KENNEDY occurred.

Mr. JOHNSON advised that after Senator KENNEDY had finished his main address he, JOHNSON, left the hall with the intention of getting to the room in advance of the crowd, so that he would have a good seat and be in a position to best hear the remarks that Senator KENNEDY was expected to make to various representatives of the press. JOHNSON stated that he never saw the person who killed Senator KENNEDY at anytime and knows nothing of the assassination except what he heard from individuals and from what he read in the press.

Mr. JOHNSON does not recall when he last spoke to RICHARD AUBREY of the Pacific Coast News Bureau, but he knows that he was not in the kitchen passageway at anytime with AUBREY or anyone else.

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RICHARD JOSEPH LITTLE was interviewed at his place of employment, OLNEY MOTORS, Missoula, Montana, where he is employed as a salesman. LITTLE advised as follows:

MYDA FOOTE is his former mother-in-law. She is alo known as Myda Fredericks and is married to FREDERICK J. FOOTE, who also uses the name of Dean Fredericks. They reside in apartment #8, 1845 Canyon Drive, Hollywood 28, California.

LITTLE was visiting them in Los Angeles, California, while on vacation from his job, and accompanied them to the AMBASSADOR HOTEL, Embassy Room, where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was to speak on June 4, 1968. On the night of June 4, 1968, while Senator KENNEDY spoke in the Embassy Room of the AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LITTLE was standing with Mr. and Mrs. FOOTE about 30 feet from the podium used by Senator KENNEDY.

MYDA FOOTE was then reportedly on Senator KENNEDY's staff attached to the Mexican-American Committee as a volunteer worker.

LITTLE stated, after Senator KENNEDY finished his speech and stepped off the podium, he was unable to see him, due to the large crowd packed into the Embassy Room. He and the FOOTEs thought Senator KENNEDY would leave the Embassy Room via the corridor to the lobby and they, therefore, moved toward a large television set, which was located in the Embassy Room, and toward the corridor. Instead, Senator KENNEDY left the Embassy Room via a door leading toward the kitchen and was not seen by LITTLE or his companions.

LITTLE stated he did not hear any shots fired and did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at any time prior to the shooting. On being shown photographs of SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department #BK-495,139, taken on June 5, 1968, he advised he saw this individual in the custody of police officers, when the officers brought him through the corridor of the AMBASSADOR HOTEL after the shooting. He did not get a good look at him then, due to the large crowd jammed together.

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LITTLE recalled, after Senator KENNEDY left the podium and Embassy Room, apparently toward the kitchen, one of the KENNEDY girls, in uniform, whose identity he did not know, came running out of the kitchen to the lobby of the Embassy Room shouting, "They shot him". He was unable to hear or determine who she was referring to. Later, someone said Senator KENNEDY had been shot. He then heard someone shouting, "Don't kill him". He thought this person was referring to SIRHAN.

By this time, he stated he made his way to the door leading from the Embassy Room toward the kitchen and, while there, someone said, "Don't let anyone else in". He, thereafter, assisted in keeping people from entering the door leading to the kitchen, but he did recall he let in three doctors and one priest, while he was standing there.

LITTLE stated he thought he recalled looking at his watch about the time someone mentioned Senator KENNEDY had been shot and, insofar as he can recall, the time was 12:13 a.m., June 5, 1968.

The following description and background information concerning RICHARD JOSEPH LITTLE was obtained through observation and interview:

> Race Sex Nationality Date of birth Place of birth Height Weight Hair Eyes Build Education

White Male American December 10, 1932 Hamilton, Montana 5' 10" 150#Blond Blue Slender Graduated from Hamilton High School, Hamilton, Montana, and attended Los Angeles City College. Los Angeles, California, for one year



BT #173-28

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Military service

Marital status Current residence

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Car salésman at OLNEY MOTORS, Míssoula, Montana, for past one and one-half years

U. S. Air Force, 1952-1956, honorable discharge Divorced

2114 - 38th Street, Missoula, Montana

Claims he has no criminal record

Date \_\_\_\_\_10/2/68

NORMAN GOTTWIG, 3004 Leeann Boulevard, Billings, Montana, advised as follows:

He was registered at the AMBASSADOR HOTEL at Los Angeles, California, at the time of the assault of ROBERT KENNEDY.

GOTTWIG could furnish no information concerning a possible conspiracy involving this assault.

GOTTWIG stated there were many parties with many people all through the hotel. He stated there were young people of all types at the hotel, so a person resembling SIRHAN would have easily gone unnoticed. GOTTWIG stated he had returned to his room prior to the time KENNEDY was shot and did not hear the shooting until he saw a report of it on television.

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Enclosed for Los Angeles are 22 copies each of an FD-302 interview with RICHARD JOSEPH LITTLE, Missoula, Montana, on 9/18/68, and an FD-302 interview with NORMAN GOTTWIG, Billings, Montana, on 9/24/68.

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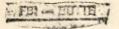
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# Date 11/7/68

Mr. ELLIOT GOLDBERY, 16700 Lahser Road, Detroit, Michigan, advised that on June 4 and June 5, 1968 he was in Phoenix, Arizona on business for Tom Thomas Organization, Incorporated, Detroit Trade Center, Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. GOLDBERY stated that on June 7, 1968 he went to Los Angeles and was a guest in the Ambassador Hotel on June 7, 1968 for one night and he then returned to Phoenix, Arizona the following day. Mr. GOLDBERY stated that he knew nothing of a conspiracy and was not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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Mr. CLIFFORD FELLOWS, 9062 Hillcrest, Livonia, Michigan, advised that he is employed by the Ford Motor Company in Livonia, Michigan.

Mr. FELLOWS stated that he was a guest in the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968. He stated he was in Los Angeles on business and was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel for just one night and was not in the hotel at the time of the shooting. He stated he was in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy and is not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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Mr. GUY HADSALL, JR., 32023 West Chicago Road, Livonia, Michigan, advised that he was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on 6/4/68. Mr. HADSALL said he was in Los Angeles on business for American Motors Sales Corporation, 14250 Plymouth Road, Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. HADSALL said that he went to his room at about 9:30 p.m., June 4, 1968 and went to sleep. He stated he telephoned Detroit, Michigan at 7:30 a.m., June 5, 1968 and was told of the shooting in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. He stated he is in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy and is not acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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Mrs. RONALD MC LELLAN, 2200 Crooks Road, Troy, Michigan, advised that she and her husband RONALD arrived from Hawaii at 11:00 p.m., June 4, 1968 and went directly to their room in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. She said they stayed in their room and did observe what happened in the hotel on television. She stated that neither she nor her husband possessed any information concerning a possible conspiracy and neither were acquainted with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Date 11/7/68

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Mrs. MABEL LONG, 460 East Breckenridge, Ferndale, Michigan, stated she and her sister were on a greyhound tour from Chicago and spent four days in Los Angeles.

Mrs. LONG stated she and her sister were guests in the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. On June 4, 1968, she and her sister went to their room early in the evening, watched television a short time and went to bed. She stated they were sleeping at the time of the shooting. She said neither she nor her sister knew that the shooting had taken place until the next morning. Mrs. LONG said she was in possession of no information concerning a possible conspiracy and she does not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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DATE: 5/15/78

ATTN OF: SUPERVISOR TYRONE G. MILLER

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

On 5/11/78, GEORGE FOSTER, FBIHQ, extension 3686, advised Supervisor PETE NORREGARD that the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) has a new request and FOSTER wants to know how difficult it would be for Los Angeles to furnish the information as opposed to the Bureau hunting it up.

The HSCA now wants all files pertaining to the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) investigation of the assassination of ROBERT KENNEDY. FOSTER interprets this as meaning reports. He said it is also possible the reports would have been incorporated into FBI reports.

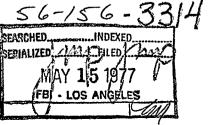
At 8:30 AM, 5/15/78, JOHN GIAQUINTO, Bureau Headquarters, Congressional Inquiry Unit, extension 3685, telephonically advised Supervisor MILLER that the Bureau is sending a teletype to Los Angeles this date. He stated that the teletype will request that contact be made with the LAPD to determine if they have any objection to the Bureau providing material in the Bureau's files previously furnished by the LAPD regarding the KENNEDY assassination to the HSCA.

GIAQUINTO stated that the teletype will request a teletype reply to be received by the Bureau no later than the afternoon of 5/16/78. He requested, however, a telephone call as to the LAPD's position.

If the LAPD states they have no objection, advise the Bureau as to the estimate of time it will take to gather the information and furnish it to the Bureau. If the position of the LAPD is that they do not want this material released to the HSCA, politely obtain explanations from the LAPD so that we may furnish their reasons to the Committee.

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A cursory review of Los Angeles files indicates the following type of LAPD materials in the Los Angeles FBI files:

1) LAPD report re arrest, transportation and booking of SIRHAN.

2) Transcripts of LAPD tape recorded interviews of SIRHAN.

3) LAPD interview reports of various witnesses.

4) Requests from LAPD to interview "out of area" witnesses.

It is noted that during July 1975, DAVE PEREZ, Deputy Los Angeles City Attorney, commented regarding disclosure of LAPD originated material in FBI files to outside persons under FOIPA requests directed to the Bureau. Details are contained in serial 3159 of Volume 16, which also indicates that of three complete reports prepared by the LAPD, two are retained by the LAPD and one was designated for the Attorney General of the United States for placing in the National Archives. Commander RAY RUDEL previously advised the Los Angeles Office in June 1975 that his department is totally opposed to dissemination of LAPD investigative results under FOIPA.

The LAPD position in regard to this recent request by HSCA is unknown and it is suggested that the LAPD Deputy Chief in charge of records be contacted by SSAC GUNDERSON or an SAC to determine their position on this matter.

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Pursuant to Bureau instructions, Assistant Chief WESLEY HARVEY, Office of Administrative Services, Los Angeles Police Department, was contacted by me to determine the position of the Los Angeles Police Department regarding the dissemination of Police Department documents re captioned matter.

Assistant Chief HARVEY advised that the Chief Counsel for the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) recently contacted the office of the Chief of Police, LAPD, regarding request for documents concerning the KENNEDY assassination and that request is still pending, awaiting the return of Chief of Police DARYL GATES to the City of Los Angeles on 5/19/78. HARVEY stated that it is the position of the Police Department that any Police Department documents and/or records should be made available by the Police Department and not through a third party such as the FBI. He further stated that the LAPD prefers to deal directly with the Committee and sees no necessity for the Committee to be in touch with the Bureau for the purpose of obtaining Police Department records.

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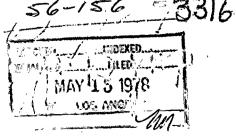
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REBUTEL MAY 15, 1978.

THIS CONFIRMS RE BUCAL WHEREIN YOU WERE ADVISED THAT THE HSCA REQUESTED THAT IT BE PROVIDED WITH "ALL FILES PERTAINING TO THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENTS' INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSI-NATION OF ROBERT KENNEDY". LOS ANGELES DIVISION IS INSTRUCTED TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO THEIR REPORTS BEING FURNISHED TO THE HSCA.

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ASSISTANT CHIEF HARVEY ADVISED THAT THE CHIEF COUNSEL FOR THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS RECENTLY CONTACTED THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE, LOS ANGELES

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POLICE DEPARTMENT, REGARDING THEIR REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS CONCERNING THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. HARVEY ADVISED THAT THIS REQUEST IS STILL PENDING, AWAITING THE RETURN OF CHIEF OF POLICE DARYL F. GATES TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ON MAY 19, 1978. HARVEY STATED THAT IT IS THE POSITION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT ANY POLICE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENT AND/OR RECORDS SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND NOT THROUGH A THIRD PARTY SUCH AS THE FBI. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT PREFERS TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE COMMITTEE, AND HE SEES NO NECESSITY FOR THE COMMITTEE TO BE IN TOUCH WITH THE BUREAU FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

10/21/68

Date.

Mr. NORMAN N. BARNETT, 2687 Somerset Boulevard, Troy, Michigan, was interviewed at his place of employment, the Briggs Corporation, 6600 East 15 Mile Road, Warren, Michigan.

Mr. BARNETT advised that to the best of his recollection, from June 4 through June 7, 1968, he was registered at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and resided in Room 355, where he conducted several interviews with customers for his company.

He advised that, to the best of his recollection, on June 4, 1968, he went to work at approximately 10:00 PM. He said he is not a Democrat and was not interested in the rally being held by Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in the Embassy Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel.

He advised at approximately 1:00 AM on June 5, 1968, to the best of his recollection, he was awakened from a very sound sleep by what appeared to him to be police car sirens.

Mr. BARNETT advised that he got out of bed and fully dressed himself and attempted to go downstairs where the commotion appeared to be taking place. He said he was prohibited from doing this by police officers, who had blocked off all elevators and stairwells. He said he lost interest in the matter when the police refused him to enter the downstairs area of the hotel and he returned to his room, number 355, and went back to sleep.

Mr. BARNETT said he did not learn about Senator KENNEDY being shot until approximately 7:00 AM, when he got out of bed and heard the broadcast over the radio.

Mr. BARNETT advised that he made arrangements with officers of the Los Angeles Police Department that were guarding the hotel to permit his customers, whom he does not recall, to enter the hotel and visit him in Room 355, where he conducted business with them. He said all of his guests were escorted from the lobby of the hotel up to his room by a Los Angeles Police Officer.

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Mr. BARNETT advised that he did not go into the area where the shooting took place until Friday, June 7, 1968, just before his departing Los Angeles. He said when he went into the ballroom where Senator KENNEDY was shot, he observed what appeared to him to be a high school senior class holding a prom.

Mr. BARNETT reiterated that he did not participate nor did he see any of the incidents surrounding the victory rally for the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said he was unable to furnish the name of anyone that might be of assistance in this matter.

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Miss FRANCES BURNSIDE, 460 East Breckenridge, Ferndale, Michigan, advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on June 4, 1968 but has no information regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. She advised that she does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not see him and has no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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Date 10/7/68

A. K. BOUGHNER, Ford Motor Company, Auto Lite Division, Dearborn, Michigan, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on June 4, 1968 but has no information regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He said that he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not see him and has no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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GARY WHITE, The Tom Thomas Organization, Detroit Trade Center Building, Detroit, Michigan, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on June 4, 1968 but has no information regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He advised that he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not see him and has no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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CHARLES BALLARD, American Airlines, 36 Book Tower Building, Detroit, Michigan, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on June 4, 1968 but has no information regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He advised that he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not see him and has no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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## Date July 9, 1968

Mr. CARL R. HEDEEN, Route 2, Box 291, Suttons Bay, telephone 271-3703, related the following information:

He is a retired school teacher from Pasadena, California and he served as Chairman of the Foreign Language Department in the Pasadena School System and also taught at the John Muir High School there. He recalls SIPHAN SIRHAN as a student in his classroom and was of the opinion it was the Spanish class. Mr. HEDEEN was not sure of this and said that he had called the Pasadena School System to verify this information; however, ascertained that all school records had been subpoenaed. He related that to the best of his knowledge SIRHAN was a student of his for approximately one year in the early 1960s. This individual was very proud of the fact that he was an Arab and had strong nationalistic feelings.

He related that SIRHAN got along well with the other students, was somewhat reserved but was always cooperative and friendly. He said that SIRHAN was a good student, did his homework faithfully, and his entire impression of him was very favorable.

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Date\_\_\_\_\_6/21/68

Dr. DONALD PROCTOR, 755 Scio Church Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, advised that he taught a course in history 1-B at the Pasadena Junior College (PJC) in 1964.

He advised that at the time of the television release of the identity and photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, he had the impression that he had seen this man before.

He was displayed a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and he stated his belief that SIRHAN may have been a student of his, either in a regular course at PJC or in lectures which he gave at that time for foreign students at PJC.

He advised he had no exact recollection whatever of SIRHAN SIRHAN, nor any records available which he might consult to refresh his memory.

Arbor, Michigan /68 \_File#\_\_ Detroit 62-41 SAs J. RAYMOND COGHLAN and C. ROBERT L. MAYFIELD - JRC/jms \_\_\_\_Date dictated\_ by\_ 6/21/68

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# Date June 21, 1963

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VELMA MARLOW, 13202 Irvington Drive, Warren, Michigan, advised SA(A) CLYDE B. LAUER that she was a teacher at the John Muir High School, Pasadena, California, in 1960. She advised that the name SIRHAN SIRHAN is vaguely familiar to her and that it may have been the name of a tenth grade student in her algebra class in 1960. She advised that she cannot recall anything specific about this individual except that his first and last name were the same and for this reason believes that he must have been an average student. She pointed out that if there was anything unusual about him she may remember it, but that she probably had him in her class for only one hour per day and could not remember anything specific about him.

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#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

#### Date\_\_\_\_6/11/68

TERRY MICKAY WELCH, 25173 Farmbrook, Southfield, advised that he recognized SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN from photographs on telecast concerning the attempt on the life of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. WELCH then called WWJ Television, Detroit, Michigan, and made them aware of the fact that he knew SIRHAN and he was subsequently interviewed on that station.

WELCH stated that he first met SIRHAN approximately three years ago when both were employed as exercise boys at Granja Vista Del Rio, a thoroughbred horse farm located at Corona, California, and owned by BURT ALTAFISH (phonetic). From that time until May, 1967, WELCH was closely associated with SIRHAN and considered him to be his closest friend. He said that approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years ago, probably between September, 1966 and December, 1966, SIRHAN suffered a very bad fall from a horse at Granja Vista Del Rio and was admitted to the hospital at Corona, where he remained in critical condition for several weeks. He suffered head and back injuries which resulted in his being partially blind in his left eye and since the time of the accident, he has suffered from severe headaches. WELCH stated that SIRHAN was supposed to get a settlement as a result of this accident and was angry because he did not get as much as he thought he should.

WELCH advised that SIRHAN underwent a complete personality change after the above-described accident. Нe stated that prior to that time, SIRHAN had been good natured and easy to get along with. He was popular with other employees at the horse farm and with horse owners who kept race horses at this farm. WELCH listed DESI ARNEZ, SUDDY EBSON, and DALE ROBERTSON, prominent television personalities, as horse owners who were well acquainted with SIRHAN. He described SIRHAN prior to the accident as well mannered, neat, clean, intelligent, and a gentlemen in every way. He said that while SIRHAN was thrifty and would sometimes save his checks for three or four weeks before cashing them, he was also generous in providing money to friends who were temporarily in need, and in addition stated that although SIRHAN did not drink him\_elf, he accompanied WELCH and other employees to local bars and would often purchase drinks for everyone present.

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Following his fall from the horse in 1966, SIRHAN became a "loner" who was resentful toward anyone who had wealth. He, at this time, became unpredictable and unreliable in that he would make plans to do things or go places with WELCH and then for no apparent reason would change his mind.

After he was released from the hospital at Corona, SIRHAN obtained a job with ROBERT WHEELER, an owner and trainer at the Santa Anita Race Track. He remained on this job for 3 to 5 weeks and when he found that he did not know enough about the job, he quit and went back to Granja Vista Del Rio to learn more about handling horses. WELCH said SIRHAN had a great desire to be a good rider and although he was frightened after the accident, he refused to quit riding even after being repeatedly thrown from horses.

TERRY WELCH advised that SIRHAN was also known as Sol by race track acquaintances and fellow employees. He said that inasmuch as persons of all nationalities frequent race tracks and horse farms, he and SIRHAN worked with Mexicans. Negroes, Irish, Greeks, Italians, Jews, and Hungarians, and SIRHAN never gave any indication to him of prejudice toward any nationality. He said that before the accident SIRHAN was curious and was always attempting to learn and improve himself. He would visit dairy and poultry farms for example during his off-duty hours, and could talk intelligently on almost any He spoke excellent English with little or no accent. subject. He was an avid reader, particularly with regard to law and frequently discussed cases which he had read about. STRHAN did not appear to be particularly interested in politics and WELCH does not recall any pertinent discussions of political issues.

SIRHAN appeared to be devoted to his mother and told WELCH he visited his mother in Pasadena, California every other weekend when he was not working. WELCH said he never went with SIRHAN to visit his mother and does not know the names of any of SIRHAN's relatives, but recalls SIRHAN stated his mother's name was MARY. His father was overseas, according to SIRHAN, and supposedly wealthy. DE 62-4177

WELCH believes that the Reverend LEO HILL, Circle City Baptist Church, Ninth and Sheridan, Corona, would possibly know SIRHAN inasmuch as SIRHAN gave WELCH a card for this church and suggested that he see Reverend HILL when he was having personal problems.

SIRHAN told WELCH on one occasion that he had been expelled from a college in Los Angeles, California as a result of trouble with a girl. This incident supposedly occurred before WELCH and SIRHAN became acquainted.

SIRHAN also stated that at one time he had worked for a gun or sket club in the Corona or Los Angeles area. WELCH believed that BURT ALTAFISH would possibly have more information concerning this.

TERRY WELCH said that when he first learned about SIRHAN's connection with the assault on Senator KENNEDY, he could not believe that SIRHAN had shot KENNEDY because he had previously been such a "nice guy". He has not seen or had contact with SIRHAN since May, 1967. He does not believe that SIRHAN would have committed this assault for money, nor would he have been involved in a conspiracy. With regard to the money allegedly in SIRHAN's possession when he was captured, WELCH said it would not be unusual for SIRHAN to carry large sums of money in his pocket inasmuch as he was a thrifty individual and when he and WELCH were closely associated, SIRHAN habitually kept his wallet in the glove compartment of his car, which WELCH described as a 1950 or 1951 DeSoto. WELCH said it was common practice for race track employees to keep their wallets in the glove compartments of cars to prevent theft from their persons.

In conversations with fellow employees who were refugees from Communist countries, such as Cuba and Hungary, SIRHAN always gave WELCH the impression that he was very much opposed to Communism. He indicated a liking for the United States and never exhibited any particular loyalty or feeling toward the country of his birth, Jordan. WELCH said he does not recall having ever heard SIRHAN mention being or living in any state other than California in the United States.