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The above items were obtained on 6/7/68 from EDWARD D. WARREN, President, Watts Chapter, National Association for Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), 10201 South Compton Avenue, Los Angeles, who advised that he received items on 6/5/68. He could not furnish any information concerning the possible identity of the individual or individuals who may have sent the above and advised that there is no "Director" in the Watts branch and pointed out that the Watts branch is not identified as the "Watts Section."

Mr. WARREN furnished the opinion that possibly the sender or senders may have had in mind the Executive Director of the NAACP, New York City, New York, Mr. ROY WILKINS. Mr. WARREN also advised that numerous persons have handled these communications.

The Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate hand printing and typewriting examinations on the enclosed items and compare with previously submitted material in an attempt to identify the sender or senders or possibly with that of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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Memorandum

TO

: Mr. DeLo

: A. Rosen **FROM**

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF

SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

DATE: June 12, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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Attached is a twelve-page teletype from our Los Angeles Office concerning current developments in the search for the 'female in the polka dot dress." It will be recalled that Sandra Serrano immediately following the shooting of Senator Kennedy was interviewed by National Broadcasting Company reporter Sander Vanocur. Serrano alleged that approximately thirty seconds after hearing the shots she saw a woman and a man running down a fire escape and the woman said "We shot him - we shot him." Serrano cannot identify the man that was with the woman.

Serrano has been extensively interviewed and while she sticks to her story about the woman in the polka dot dress, we have developed several inconsistencies in her story. For example, it is known that she telephoned her parents in Ohio from a phone booth seventeen minutes after the shooting occurred. She told her mother Senator Kennedy had been shot, but she said nothing of the fact that she had heard the shots or had observed anyone running from the scene. Also, while she now states that approximately thirty minutes prior to the shooting she observed the same woman then accompanied by two men, one resembling Sirhan, when she was interviewed by Vanocur within an hour after the incident, she made no mention of this fact whatsoever.

The Los Angeles Police Department requested Serrano to take a polygraph examination, but she claims she was too upset to take it. The Los Angeles Police Department is still endeavoring to afford her such an examination.

Intensive investigation is under way to completely resolve this ACTION: phase of our investigation. REC 13

This information will be furnished to the Department.

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11:33PM URGENT 6-11-68 DPK

TO DIRECTOR

FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156)

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SUMMARY RE FEMALE IN POLKA DOT DRESS

SANDRA SERRANO. AGE TWENTY. INTERVIEWED BY SANDOR VANOCUR. NBC NEWS. APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS AFTER DURING TV INTERVIEW KENNEDY SHOOTING. AUDIO TAPE OBTAINED. SERRANO CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN WOMAN AND MAN COMING DOWN STAIRS SHORTLY AFTER SHOOTING AND THE WOMAN SAID, "WE SHOT HIM - WE SHOT HIM." SERRANO CLAIMED SHE ASKED "SHOT WHO?" AND WOMAN SAID "SENATOR KENNEDY". SERRANO CLAIMED WOMAN WORE WHITE DRESS WITH BLACK POLKA DOTS.

SERRANO SUBSEQUENTLY CLAIMED TO BE SITTING ON FIRE ESCAPE STEPS OUTSIDE AMBASSADOR BALLROOM. AMBASSADOR HOTEL HAS A NUMBER OF BALLROOMS AND BANQUET ROOMS, EACH OF WHICH HAS DIFFERENT JUN 14 1968 NAME AND LOCATION IN HOTEL. EMBASSY BALLROOM, WHERE KENNEDY APPEARED IS ON SECOND FLOOR IN RELATION TO FRONT ENTRANCE OF HOTEL. END PAGE ONE

Mr. Tolson Mr. Deleach Mr. Mohr ... Mr. Bishap Mr. Casper ... Mr. Callahan. Mr. Conrad. Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale. Mr. Rosen. Mr. Sullivan. Mr. Tavel ... Mr. Trott er Tele, Room Miss Hames .. Miss Gandy.

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DIRECTLY BELOW THAT BALLROOM ON FIRST FLOOR IS AMBASSADOR
BALLROOM. VICTIMS WERE SHOT IN KITCHEN AREA LOCATED ON NORTH
SIDE DIRECTLY OFF EMBASSY BALLROOM. SERRANO CLAIMS SHE WAS
SITTING OUTSIDE OF BUILDING ON FIRE ESCAPE STEPS LOCATED ON
FLOOR BELOW ON SOUTH SIDE OF AMBASSADOR BALLROOM. AT TIME OF
SHOOTING ABOUT ELEVEN HUNDRED PERSONS WERE IN EMBASSY BALLROOM AND
APPROXIMATELY SIXTEEN HUNDRED IN AMBASSADOR ROOM. IN ADDITION
A BAND WAS PLAYING IN AMBASSADOR ROOM AND TV SETS WERE
STATIONED THROUGHOUT AMBASSADOR ROOM TO ENABLE KENNEDY
SUPPORTERS TO VIEW HIS VICTORY SPEECH IN EMBASSY ROOM ABOVE.

SERRANO CLAIMED SHE SAT ON STEPS APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN
THIRTY PM AND FEW MOMENTS LATER, TWO MEN AND A WOMAN WALKED
UP STEPS PAST HER TO EMBASSY BALLROOM. SERRANO'S OPINION WAS
THAT THESE PEOPLE WERE POSSIBLY TOGETHER SINCE WOMAN SAID
"EXCUSE US" AND THEY WALKED PAST HER IN GROUP. SERRANO STATED
SHE DID NOT KNOW IF ONE MAN AND WOMAN WERE TOGETHER AND THE
ADDITIONAL MAN MERELY WALKED IN WITH THEM COINCIDENTALLY OR
IF ALL THREE WERE TOGETHER. ACCORDING TO SERRANO, APPROXIMATELY
TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES LATER, SHE HEARD WHAT SHE THOUGHT TO BE SIX
CAR BACKFIRES OR SHOTS. ACCORDING TO AUDIO TAPE OF TV INTERVIEW WITH VANOCUR, NBC NEWS, SERRANO MADE ON MENTION OF
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EITHER HEARING CAR BACKFIRES OR SHOTS JUST PRIOR TO THE WOMAN COMING DOWN THE STAIRS.

ABOUT THIRTY SECONDS AFTER BACKFIRES OR SHOTS SAME WOMAN AND ONE OF THE MEN RAN DOWN OUTSIDE FIRE ESCAPE STATES PAST HER. SERRANO CLAIMS DOES NOT KNOW WHERE THEY WENT OR IN WHAT DIRECTION. SHE IS UNABLE TO SHED LIGHT AS TO WHETHER THEY RAN TOWARD PARKING LOT. BACK INTO HOTEL AT ANOTHER ENTRANCE, OR IF THEY RAN TO ATTEMPT TO CONTACT POLICE DEPARMENT OR CALL AN AMBULANCE. WOMAN YELLED IN PASSING AS SET OUT ABOVE. SERRANO INSISTS WOMAN USED WORD "WE" RATHER THAN WORDS "HE" OR "THEY". ALTHOUGH INSISTING WORD WAS "WE" SHE STATES "WE" COULD HAVE MEANT WE AS A GROUP. OR WE AS SOCIETY IN GENERAL. SERRANO CLAIMS NOT TO HAVE SEEN DIRECTION WOMAN AND MAN RAN AFTER PASSING HER SINCE SHE LOOKED BACK UP STEPS. SAW NOTHING. AND THEN WALKED BACK INTO HALLWAY AREA OF AMBASSADOR BALLROOM. JUST INSIDE, SHE ASKED UNIFORMED GUARD IF IT WAS TRUE THAT SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. ACCORDING TO SERRANO. GUARD ACCUSED HER OF HAVING TOO MUCH TO DRINK, ALTHOUGH SHE CLAIMS TO HAVE HAD ONLY ONE DRINK. SHE THEN ASKED A GROUP OF FIVE OR SIX PEOPLE IF IT WAS TRUE. SHE HEARD ONLY A COUPLE OF COMMENTS FROM THE GROUP, ONE BEING "YOU'RE CRAZY" AND THE OTHER BEING END PAGE THREE

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THE EXPRESSION "OH MY GOD."

FOURTEEN AMBASSADOR SECURITY GUARDS INTERVIEWED TO DATE,

AND NO GUARD LOCATED WHO RECALLS THIS INCIDENT OR ASSIGNED

DOORS TO THESE STAIRS. ONE ADDITIONAL GUARD WHO HAS BEEN

UNAVAILABLE TO DATE IS BEING LOCATED FOR INTERVIEW.

AFTER SPEAKING TO ABOVE GROUP, SERRANO CLAIMS SHE
LOCATED PUBLIC TELEPHONE TO CALL PARENTS IN OHIO, TO TELL THEM
OF SHOOTING. SHE ESTIMATED CALL MADE APPROXIMATELY TWELVE
FIFTEEN AM (PDT). CANNOT RECALL IF SHE PAID FOR CALL OR IT
WAS COLLECT DUE TO FACT SHE WAS EXTREMELY UPSET AND EMOTIONALLY
DISTRAUGHT. SERRANO WAS ASKED WHY SHE MADE LONG DISTANCE CALL
TO PARENTS WHEN FACT THAT SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT WAS
NOT CONFIRMED BY HER. SHE EXPLAINED THAT BASED ON EXPRESSION
ON FACE OF WOMAN SHE SAW, SHE WAS CONVINCED THAT IT HAD HAPPENED.
SERRANO ADMITS TO NEAR COMPLETE HYSTERIA AT TIME AND UNABLE TO
ADEQUATELY EXPRESS WHAT SHE THOUGHT SHE HAD SEEN. PACIFIC
TELEPHONE COMPANY RECORDS REFLECT COLLECT TELEPHONE CALL MADE
AT TWELVE THIRTY-SEVEN AM FROM PUBLIC PHONE AT AMBASSADOR HOTEL
TO LORAIN, OHIO, SERRANO'S PARENTS' PHONE.

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MANUEL AND AMPARIO SERRANO. LORAIN. OHIO. PARENTS OF SANDRA SERRANO. ADVISED SHE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THEM AT APPROXIMATELY SIX PM (EDT) JUNE FOUR LAST TO CONGRATULATE HER BROTHER UPON HIS GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL. SHE CALLED AGAIN AT TEN THIRTY PM (EDT) STATING SHE WAS AT KENNEDY CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS AND KENNEDY WAS GOING TO WIN CALIFORNIA PRIMARY ELECTION. SANDRA THEN CALLED MOTHER COLLECT APPROXIMATELY THREE THIRTY AM (EDT) (TWELVE THIRTY PDT) JUNE FIVE LAST AND, ACCORDING TO MOTHER. WAS HYSTERICAL. SANDRA TOLD MOTHER SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. BUT DID NOT KNOW WHETHER KENNEDY WAS DEAD AND STATED HE HAD BEEN SHOT AFTER HIS SPEECH. SAID SANDRA WAS HYSTERICAL DURING ENTIRE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION AND UNABLE TO RECALL SANDRA MENTIONING ANYTHING ABOUT OBSERVING ANYONE CONNECTED WITH SHOOTING. MOTHER CLAIMED SANDRA KEPT REPEATING. "WHY WOULD THEY DO ANYTHING LIKE THIS. HE WAS SUCH A GOOD MAN." SANDRA ASKED TO SPEAK TO HER FATHER, BUT HE DECLINED SINCE HE WAS TOO UPSET AFTER HEARING OF SHOOTING. SANDRA AGAIN CALLED MOTHER APPROXIMATELY EIGHT AM (EDT) JUNE FIVE LAST, AND AT THIS TIME ACCORDING TO MOTHER STATED SHE HAD BEEN ON "TERRACE" AT AMBASSADOR HOTEL PRIOR TO SENATOR KENNEDY'S SPEECH AND HAD SEEN TWO MEN AND A WOMAN AND DESCRIBED THE MEN END PAGE FIVE

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AS MEXICAN-AMERICAN AND THE GIRL AS WHITE. AFTER SHOOTING,
SHE TOLD MOTHER SHE OBSERVED ONE OF THE MEN AND THE SAME GIRL
RUNNING PAST HER DOWN OUTSIDE FIRE ESCAPE STAIRS. ACCORDING
TO MOTHER, SHE DID NOT ELABORATE FURTHER NOR DID SHE FURTHER
DESCRIBE THESE INDIVIDUALS. PARENTS DESCRIBED SANDRA AS
"GOOD GIRL WHO DOES NOT SMOKE OR DRINK, LEVEL HEADED AND
MENTALLY AND EMOTIONALLY MATURE." SHE GRADUATED FROM LORAIN
HIGH SCHOOL MAINTAINING C PLUS AVERAGE. SHE WENT TO LIVE WITH
AUNT AND UNCLE IN ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA, IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY,
SIXTY-SEVEN AND EMPLOYED BY INSURANCE COMPANY IN LOS ANGELES.

ON JUNE SEVEN LAST, SERRANO TAKEN TO AMBASSADOR HOTEL

TO REENACT INCIDENT DESCRIBED BY HER. SHE LOCATED OUTSIDE FIRE

STAIRS SHE CLAIMS TO HAVE SAT ON. THESE ARE METAL FIRE STAIRS

RUNNING ALONG SOUTH SIDE OF BUILDING AND ONE FLOOR BELOW

EMBASSY BALLROOM. MIDDLE PART OF THE STAIRS HAVE FIRE DOORS LEADING

INTO THE AMBASSADOR BALLROOM AND TOP OF THE STAIRS

LEAD TO FIRE DOORS ENTERING EMBASSY BALLROOM WHERE KENNEDY

GAVE SPEECH. BOTTOM OF THE STEPS LEAD TO SERVICE PARKING AREA.

PERTINENT TV FILM COVERAGE MADE AVAILABLE TO SERRANO.

SHE OBSERVED NO ONE SHE FELT RESEMBLED MEN OR WOMAN SHE SAW ON STAIRWAY.

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SERRANO DESCRIBED WOMAN AS WHITE FEMALE, TWENTY-THREE TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS. FIVE FEET SIX INCHES. MEDIUM BUILD. ONE TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, EAR LENGTH (BOUFFANT STYLE). WORE WHITE VOILE DRESS WITH QUARTER-INCH BLACK POLKA DOTS ABOUT ONE AND ONE-HALF INCHES APART. SHE WORE BLACK SHOES. NO PURSE. DID NOT WEAR GLASSES AND CARRIED NOTHING IN HER HANDS. SERRANO CLAIMED THIS WOMAN HAD A "FUNNY NOSE" WHICH SHE DESCRIBED AS THE "BOB HOPE" TYPE AND FELT SHE COULD IEDNTIFY HER AGAIN. SHE DESCRIBED MALE INDIVIDUAL SHE SAW GOING UP AND DOWN STAIRS AS WHITE MALE (LATIN EXTRACTION), FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, TWENTY-ONE TO TWENTY-THREE YEARS, OLIVE COMPLEXION. BLACK HAIR. LONG AND STRAIGHT HANGING OVER HIS FOREHEAD AND NEEDING A HAIRCUT. HE WORE DARK PANTS, LIGHT SHIRT AND GOLD OR YELLOW CARDIGAN TYPE SWEATER. NO GLASSES HAD NOTHING IN HIS HANDS. SHE WAS NOT SURE IF SHE COULD IDENTIFY THIS MAN AGAIN. SERRANO DESCRIBED OTHER MALE, WHOM SHE SAW ONLY GO UP THE STAIRS, AS A WHITE MALE (MEXICAN-AMERICAN) ABOUT TWENTY-THREE YEARS, FIVE FEET THREE INCHES, CURLY, BUSHY HAIR, WEARING LIGHT COLORED CLOTHES. SHE SAID AFTER SEEING PICTURE OF SIRHAN IN NEWSPAPERS AND POLICE DEPARTMENT PHOTOGRAPHS JUNE SIX LAST SHE FELT CERTAIN SIRHAN WAS IDENTICAL TO THIS PERSON. END PAGE SEVEN

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VINCENT DE PIERRO, WHO WAS NEXT TO SENATOR KENNEDY
WHEN KENNEDY SHOT, CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN A WOMAN IN WHITE
POLKA DOT DRESS STANDING NEXT TO SIRHAN IN KITCHEN AREA BEFORE
SIRHAN SHOT KENNEDY.

SIX POLKA DOT DRESSES SIMILAR TO EACH OTHER OBTAINED AND PLACED WITH POLKA DOT DRESS OBTAINED FROM FRIEND OF SANDRA SERRANO WHICH SERRANO BELIEVES SIMILAR TO ONE OBSERVED AT HOTEL. SERRANO SAID POLKA DOT DRESS WORN BY THE WOMAN SHE SAW AT HOTEL WAS "JUST LIKE" DRESS HER FRIEND HAD EXCEPT HER FRIEND'S DRESS WAS SLEEVELESS AND THE DRESS WORN BY THE WOMAN SHE SAW HAD THREE-QUARTER LENGTH SLEEVES. THESE SEVEN DRESSES WERE HUNG IN A ROW AND SEPARATE VIDEO TAPE RECORDINGS MADE OF BOTH DE PIERRO AND SERRANO AS EACH PICKED OUT TYPE POLKA DOT DRESS OBSERVED BY THEM AT HOTEL AND EXPLAINED WHY OTHER DRESSES DID NOT FIT. DE PIERRO AND SERRANO VIEWED THE DRESSES SEPARATELY AND WERE UNAWARE OF WHICH DRESS THE OTHER HAD SELECTED. VIDEO TAPE RECORDING ARRANGED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN HOWARD, WHO WILL BE PROSECUTING SIRHAN SIRHAN. DE PIERRO WAS VERY DEFINITE IN PICKING OUT POLKA DOT DRESS THAT WAS SLEEVELESS, HAD LOW CUT NECK, LARGE POLKA DOTS, WHEREAS SERRANO WAS DEFINITE IN PICKING OUT THREE-QUARTER LENGTH SLEEVES, END PAGE EIGHT

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HIGH TOP NECK LINE AND SAMLL POLKA DOTS. DUE TO COMPLETE
CONTRAST AND DEFINITE VIEWS OF EACH WITNESS, HOWARD STATED
HE IS CONVINCED THAT WOMAN SERRANO CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN ON
THE STAIRWAY WAS DEFINITELY NOT SAME WOMAN DE PIERRO CLAIMED
TO HAVE SEEN NEXT TO SIRHAN BEFORE SHOOTING. WM. GARDNER,
DIRECTOR OF SECURITY, AMBASSADOR HOTEL, WHO WAS PRESENT IN
EMBASSY ROOM AND AMBASSADOR ROOM NIGHT OF SHOOTING, ADVISES
AT LEAST THIRTY FEMALES WERE IN CROWD WEARING WHITE DRESS WITH
BLACK POLKA DOTS. FOR INFO BUREAU, HOWARD NOTED IT WOULD HAVE
BEEN PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR WOMAN ALLEGEDLY SEEN NEXT TO
SIRHAN IN KITCHEN AREA BY DE PIERRO TO CROSS CROWDED BALLROOM
AND EXIT DOOR WHERE SERRANO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN IN THIRTY
SECONDS. IT IS NOTED SERRANO CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN MAN AND WOMAN
IN POLKA DOT DRESS THIRTY SECONDS AFTER HEARING WHAT SHE BELIEVED
TO BE SHOTS OR CAR BACKFIRES.

SERRANO TAKEN TO LOCATION IN KITCHEN AREA OF EMBASSY
BALLROOM WHERE SHOOTING OCCURRED. SHE WAS SHOWN STAGE ON WHICH
SENATOR KENNEDY GAVE SPEECH AND IT WAS EXPLAINED TO HER BY DA
HOWARD AND BUAGENT THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN HUNDRED
PEOPLE IN EMBASSY BALLROOM PLUS NUMEROUS PIECES OF TV EQUIPMENT.
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(THE LEGAL CAPACITY FOR THIS ROOM IS SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY PEOPLE) SERRANO WALKED FROM STAGE ACROSS EMBASSY BALLROOM TO FIRE EXIT AND TO STEPS SHE CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN SITTING ON WHICH IS ONE FLOOR BELOW. THIS DISTANCE IS APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FEET FROM WHERE SHOOTING OCCURRED. WHILE ON STAGE WHERE KENNEDY SPOKE, SERRANO ACCUSED HOWARD AND BUAGENT OF LYING TO HER AND INSISTED THIS WAS NOT WHERE SENATOR KENNEDY GAVE HIS SPEECH. SHE CONTENDED HE MUST HAVE BEEN ON A DIFFERENT FLOOR OF HOTEL. SERRANO, DURING SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, WAS ASKED IF SHE STILL CLAIMED SHE HAD HEARD GUN SHOTS AFTER SEEING LOCATION WHERE SENATOR KENNEDY WAS SHOT IN RELATION TO WHERE SHE CLAIMED TO BE SITTING. SERRANO STATED SHE HAS NEVER HEARD A GUN SHOT IN HER LIFE AND CLAIMED SHE HAD PREVIOUSLY SAID SHE THOUGHT IT WAS SIX BACK FIRES AND NOT SURE IF THEY WERE GUN SHOTS. SHE WAS ASKED WHY SHE HAD NOT TOLD HER PARENTS IN HER TELEPHONE CALL AT TWELVE THIRTY SEVEN AM THAT SHE THOUGHT SHE HAD SEEN SOMEONE SHE BELIEVED TO BE CONNECTED WITH THE SHOOTING. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HER SHE CLAIMED TO HAVE CALLED PRIOR TO END PAGE TEN



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VERIFYING THAT SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. SERRANO SAID SHE WAS UNABLE TO TALK TO FATHER AND SHE HAS ALWAYS HAD DIFFICULTY COMMUNICATING WITH HER MOTHER. THEREFORE. FACT SHE THOUGHT SHE HAD SEEN SOMEONE CONNECTED WITH SHOOTING WAS NOT MENTIONED. WAS ASKED WHY IN HER INTERVIEW WITH VANOCUR SHE DID NOT SAY ANYTHING ABOUT SEEING THIS WOMAN AND TWO MEN GOING UP THE STAIRS AND ONLY TOLD ABOUT THE WOMAN AND MAN COMING BACK DOWN. POINTED OUT TO HER THE FACT SHE CLAIMED ONE OF THE MEN GOING UP STAIRS WAS SIRHAN WAS OF SIGNIFICANCE. AT THIS POINT. SERRANO BECAME VERY EMOTIONAL. CLAIMED SHE COULD NOT EXPLAIN WHY. AND ACCUSED THOSE CONDUCTING INTERVIEW OF LYING TO HER AND TRYING TO HOWARD THEN ASKED SERRANO IF SHE WOULD TAKE POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION IN EFFORT TO VERIFY WHAT SHE HAD SEEN. SHE INDICATED SHE WOULD. AND WAS THEN ASKED BY HOWARD TO RE ENACT INCIDENT SO IT MIGHT BE VIDEO TAPED TO AVOID MISUNDERSTANDING ON ANYONES PART AS TO WHAT SHE CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN. SERRANO AGREED BUT PRIOR TO MAKING VIDEO TAPE SHE INSISTED ON HAVING SOMEONE PRESENT NOT CONNECTED WITH CASE.

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SEVERAL HOTEL EMPLOYEES WERE ARRANGED FOR BY HOWARD AND REFUSED BY SERRANO FOR NO EXPLAINABLE REASON. FINALLY, TWO EMPLOYEES FROM KITCHEN WERE ACCEPTABLE TO SERRANO TO WITNESS TAPED INTERVIEW. SERRANO CLAIMED TO BE TOO UPSET TO TAKE POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION AND EFFORTS BEING MADE THIS DATE BY HOWARD TO HAVE SUCH A TEST ADMINISTERED BY LAPD.

ALL AVAILABLE PHOTOS TAKEN FROM ALL SOURCES HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO SERRANO FOR POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF PERSON SHE ALLEGEDLY SAW ON THE BACK STEPS. SHE HAS NOT IDENTIFIED THE PHOTO OF THIS PERSON IN ANY OF THESE PHOTOS. LIEUTENANT CHARLES HUGHES, RAMPART STATION, LAPD, ADVISED IN HIS OPINION, BASED ON THE DISTANCE SHE WAS FROM THE SHOOTING AND IN VIEW OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE AND UNUSUALLY HIGH NOISE LEVEL, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR SERRANO TO HAVE HEARD ANY SHOTS.

LAPD ISSUED APB RE WOMAN IN POLKA DOT DRESS IN AN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY SUCH A WOMAN REPORTEDLY SEEN BY SERRANO.

PUBLIC APPEALS HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA FOR THE PERTINENT WOMAN TO CONTACT THE LAPD. TO DATE LAPD REPORTS ONLY THREE HAVE COME FORWARD AND ALL THREE PUBLICITY SEEKERS AND NOT CONNECTED IN ANY WAY.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

DATE: June 12, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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In order to facilitate the handling of evidence with respect to reporting results of FBI examination either by the FBI Laboratory or Identification Division, the following should be placed in effect:

- l. When evidence has been submitted for examination to either the FBI Laboratory or the Identification Division by the FBI, as opposed to evidence recovered by a police department and submitted to the FBI Laboratory, a report should be prepared addressed to Evelle Janson Younger, Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Los Angeles, setting forth the results of the desired examination. The evidence should be returned to the contributing field office. Copies of the report should be furnished FBI, Los Angeles, the General Investigative Division and, if appropriate, the Domestic Intelligence Division. The material transmitted to Younger will not, of course, contain administrative data or other information of special interest to the Bureau alone.
 - 2. When evidence is submitted for examination by the Los Angeles or other police departments, a report should be returned in accordance with existing procedure to the submitting law enforcement agency. A copy of the report should be made available to the Los Angeles Division, the General Investigative Division, and if appropriate, the Domestic Intelligence Division.

ACTION:

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rifles and will find the one in Seattle, Washington, thus he thinks it will be to the Government's advantage to review that case as there are certain points in it pertaining to ballistics that were favorable to the defense and which the defense for SIRHAN SIRHAN may be able to apply.

ZIMMERMAN did not know the exact court in Seattle, Washington, in which the trial took place. He thinks it was a county court.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-587) AND LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (3P)

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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO JUNE ELEVEN

LAST.

ON JUNE TWELVE INSTANT, WALTER THOMAS RATHKE FOR VERN HUNTER, ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, PLEASANTON, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED HE FIRST MET SIRHAN SIRHAN AT LEAST THREE YEARS AGO WHEN BOTH WORKED FOR GORDON BOWSHER. YELLOW KING HE HAS ALSO MET SIRHAN'S MOTHER RANCH, CHINO, CALIFORNIA. AND ONE OF HIS BROTHERS, NOT ONE REPORTEDLY UP FOR DEPORTATION RATHKE GOT TO KNOW SIRHAN QUITE WELL DURING THIS TIME AND SIRHAN NEVER EXHIBITED ANY LEANINGS TOWARD COMMUNISM OR EVER BECAME VIOLENT OR EXHIBITED ANY VIOLENCE. RATHKE GOT THE IMPRESSION SIRHAN DID NOT WANT TO RETURN TO JORDAN AND FROM CONVERSATIONS THOUGHT SIRHAN HAD MADE MOVE FOR AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP. NO TIME DURING THEIR CONVERSATIONS CAN RATHKE RECALL SIRHAN EVEN MENTIONING ANY OF THE KENNEDYS OR WAS THE SUBJECT OF GUNS END PAGE ONE

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EVER MENTIONED.

SIRHAN WAS WORKING A QUARTER HORSE AT GRANJA VISTA

DEL RIO RANCH NEAR CHINO WHEN HORSE BOLTED AND SIRHAN SUFFERED

HEAD INJURIES FROM HITTING FENCE AND REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION.

RATHKE BELIEVES THIS HAPPENED APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER NINETEEN

SIXTY SIX BUT IS NOT SURE OF DATE. AS RESULT OF INJURY PUPIL

IN ONE OF SIRHAN'S EYES, BELIEVED HIS LEFT, REMAINS LARGE AND

WILL NOT CLOSE AND HE APPARENTLY HAS NO PERIPHERAL VISION OUT

OF THAT EYE AND CAN NO LONGER GALLOP HORSES SO HAD TO GIVE

UP BEING A GROOM.

RATHKE LAST SAW SIRHAN IN APPROXIMATELY JUNE NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN IN PASADENA WHERE SIRHAN WORKING AT A HEALTH FOOD STORE. HE ALSO SAW SIRHAN'S MOTHER DURING THIS TIME AND SHE INDICATED SIRHAN "JUST WASN'T HIMSELF" AFTER ACCIDENT AND RATHKE STATED SIRHAN "MORE INCOMMUNICATIVE" SINCE ACCIDENT BUT COULD NOT EXPLAIN EXACT CHANGES IN SIRHAN. RATHKE HAS ONLY SEEN SIRHAN FOR SHORT PERIODS OF TIME SINCE ACCIDENT AND HAS HAD NO EXTENSIVE CONVERSATIONS DURING THESE MEETINGS. WHEN HE LAST SAW SIRHAN IN PASADENA, RATHKE TOLD SIRHAN HE WAS JOINING END PAGE TWO

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THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY BUT DID NOT DISCUSS VERY EXTENSIVELY AND HAS NOW READ IN NEWSPPERS THAT SIRHAN IS READING BOOKS.

PUBLISHED BY THIS SOCIETY.

RATHKE STATED THAT IF SIRHAN WAS BITTER AT ANYONE
HE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE THE INSURANCE COMPANY AS
RATHKE UNDERSTANDS SIRHAN RECEIVED LITTLE MORE THAN PAYMENT
OF HOSPITAL BILL AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT.

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TO SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

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UPI NEWS RELEASE OF JUNE SIX NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT INDICATES MRS. ELSIE BOYKO, A FORMER CO-WORKER OF SIRHAN AT ORGANIC PASADENA, A HEALTH FOOD STORE, WAS INTERVIEWED BY NEWS MEDIA AS WAS JOHN WEIDNER, JR., OWNER OF THE STORE.

ALVIN CLARK, A NEIGHBOR AND EMPLOYEE OF THE PASADENA DEPARTMENT OF REFUGE, ALSO QUOTED IN SAME RELEASE AS KNOWING SIRHAN.

IF NOT ALREADY DONE, THESE THREE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED.

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REBHTEL JUNE TWELVE LAST.

PRIOR TO CONDUCTING REQUESTED INTERVIEWS IN RETEL. RECIPIENTS SHOULD REVIEW OFFICE INDICES REGARDING PERTINENT INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED. IF INFORMATION DEVELOPED WHICH WOULD MAKE INTERVIEW INADVISABLE, ADVISE BUREAU.

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nInformation has been received from various sources that a radio broadcast allegedly emanating from Prague, Czechoslovakia, during mid May, 1968, asserted that Robert Kennedy had been assassinated. We are in the process of attempting to pin this down and investigation includes interviews of individuals who heard the broadcast or were told by someone that such a broadcast was heard. BHtel sets forth leads to various offices to interview individuals who were on a tour in the Holy Land during May and who allegedly were told by their guide that Robert Kennedy had been shot.

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FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1772) 2P

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR JUNE ELEVEN. SIXTYEIGHT.

15/2X. 1-1111 11 11 11 11 FOR BENEFIT OFFICES RECEIVING INITIAL INFORMATION. MRS. HUBERT RITCHIE OF CORNELIA. GEORGIA. ADVISED BUREAU AGENTS JUNE ELEVEN. SIXTYEIGHT, THAT SHE WAS PRESENT IN HOLY LAND WITH A BROWNELL TOUR FROM MAY ONE FOUR TO MAY TWO ZERO. SIXTYEIGHT. ON EITHER MAY ONE SIX OR MAY ONE SEVEN, JACOB NENIGMAN, ISRAELI GUIDE, ADVISED MEMBERS OF THE TOUR THAT ROBERT KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. THE GUIDE HAD NO FURTHER INFORMATION. THE GUIDE MADE THE SAME STATEMENT ON SUBSEQUENT MORNINGS IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONING FROM TOUR MEMBERS BUT NEVER RETRACTED HIS STATEMENT.

MRS. JACKIE WOOD. BROWNELL TOURS. BIRMINGHAM. ALABAMA. TODAY ADVISED THIRTEEN PEOPLE FROM THROUGHOUT UNITED STATES PRESENT IN GROUP ON HOLY LAND TOUR. THIS GROUP WAS DIRECTED BY (JACK) KERNS, THREE ONE THREE SOUTH CAMAC STREET, PHILADELPHIA

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PENNSYLVANIA. OTHER MEMBERS OF TOUR GROUP AS FOLLOWS: MR. AND MRS. RALPH BRYCE, FIVE NINE TWO FIVE KAYRON DRIVE, N.E., ATLANTA, GEORGIA; MRS. JUANITA MC LAUGHLIN, TWO FIVE ONE FIVE ONE NEWTON PLACE, DEARBORN, MICHIGAN; MRS. GENEVA VOLPE, TWO FIVE ONE THREE FIVE NEWTON PLACE, DEARBORN, MICHIGAN; MISS ELIZABETH SINTON, TWO NINE GRANT STREET, MT. HOLLY, NEW JERSEY; REVEREND W. MC CRACKEN, THREE ZERO SEVEN ONE NORTH PARK BLVD., CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO; MR. JOHN KROGNESS, TWO FIVE ZERO NINE OVERLOOK ROAD, CLEVELAND, OHIO; MR. AND MRS. J. B. LOVE, FOUR SIX THREE ONE HICKORY RIDGE ROAD, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI; MISS ALICE PEEL, SEVEN ZERO ONE RIO GRANDE. AUSTIN. TEXAS.

MRS. WOOD ADVISED FURTHER THAT JACK KERNS, TOUR DIRECTOR FROM PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, WOULD BE THE INDIVIDUAL MOST LIKELY TO HAVE ESTABLISHED INTIMATE CONTACT WITH ISRAELI GUIDE JACOB HENIGMAN.

OFFICES RECEIVING THIS COMMUNICATION REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW INDIVIDUALS CONCERNING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF STATEMENT ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN MADE BY JACOB HENIGMAN.

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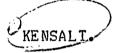
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REBUTEL CHICAGO AND LOS ANGELES JUNE TEN. LAST CONCERNING LOCATION OF WAYNE LEE'SPARKS WEEKEND MAY LIRTY-ONE - JUNE THREE LAST.

INVESTIGATION BRIDGEVIEW. ILL. INDICATES SPARKS' WIFE RECENTLY MOVED FROM SEVEN EIGHT THREE THREE COLUMBIA DRIVE TO SIX EIGHT TWO FOUR LA PORTE, BRIDGEVIEW CARE OF C. A. CARLSEN. ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT ANYONE THIS ADDRESS NEGATIVE TO DATE.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. AM CC TO LOS ANGELES.

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REBUTEL JUNE TEN LAST.

CONCERNING LOCATION OF WAYNE LEE SPARKS. MRS. JUDY SPARKS, WIFE, MRS. C.A. CARLSON, MOTHER-IN-LAW, BOTH SIXTYEIGHT TWENTYFOUR LAPORTE, BRIDGEVIEW, ILL., ADVISED INSTANT, SPARKS ARRIVED THEIR RESIDENCE TWO AM MAY THIRTYONE, LAST AND LEFT SEVEN AM, JUNE TWO, LAST, FROM O HARE AIR FIELD, VIA DELTA AIRLINES TO RETURN TO CAMP.

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Memorandum

: Mr. W.C. Sullivah TO

FROM : C.D. Brennan

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1 - Mr. DeLoach

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DATE: June 12, 1968

1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan

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Thomas Daniel Good, born June 27, 1945, a Reserve Index B subject of the San Francisco Office is believed to be identical with the Thomas D. Good who was reported as a close associate of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan while both attended the same high school in the early 1960's.

Thomas Daniel Good had a recent history of association and activity with Students for a Democratic Society while attending San Jose State College, San Jose, California. In 1967 he possibly expressed an interest in joining a Communist Party youth group in San Jose. He was arrested by San Jose Police Department for participation in a riot on the San Jose State campus November, 1967, for which he received one year probation and \$100 fine for resisting arrest.

The Domestic Intelligence Division and the General Investigative Division have previously authorized San Francisco to conduct an interview of Good in order to determine Sirhan's political views and possible motive for his assassination of Senator Kennedy. Repeated attempts by San Francisco to interview Good at his San Jose, California, rooming house were without A note was found attached to his door which made available information that he could be reached in care of Aubrey Grossman, an attorney.

Aubrey Grossman is a Security Index subject of the San Francisco Office. He received his law degree from the University of California in 1935 and is currently engaged in the practice of law. He has been described as a dedicated communist whose activities in behalf of the Communist Party extend back to the late 1930's. He has frequently represented communists as well as communist front organizations. 62-61-86

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It is of paramount importance that Good be interviewed. In the event the interview must be conducted in Grossman's presence, it is most important that this interview be conducted by two mature experienced Agents in the FBI Field Office without revealing any of our sources or techniques.

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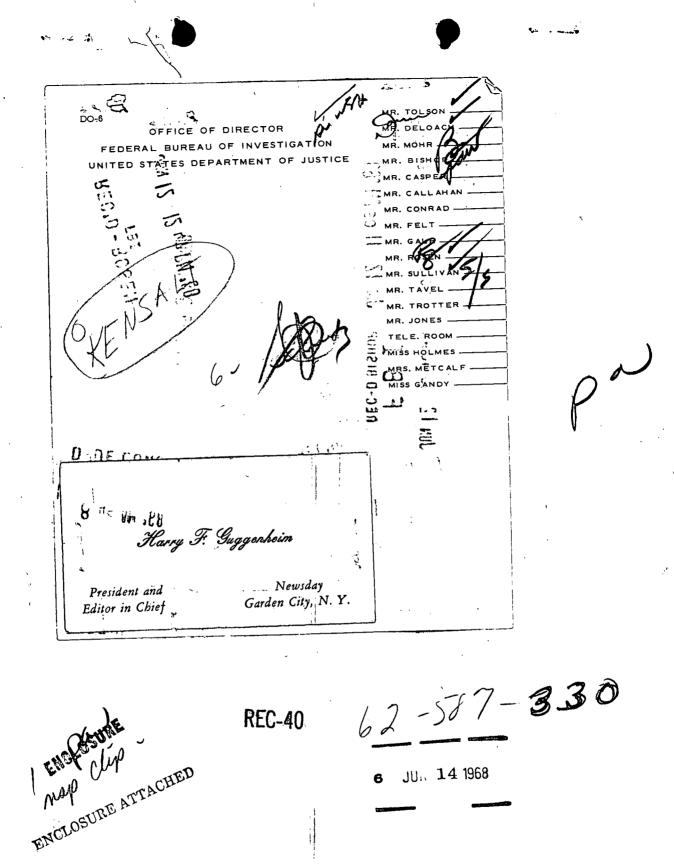
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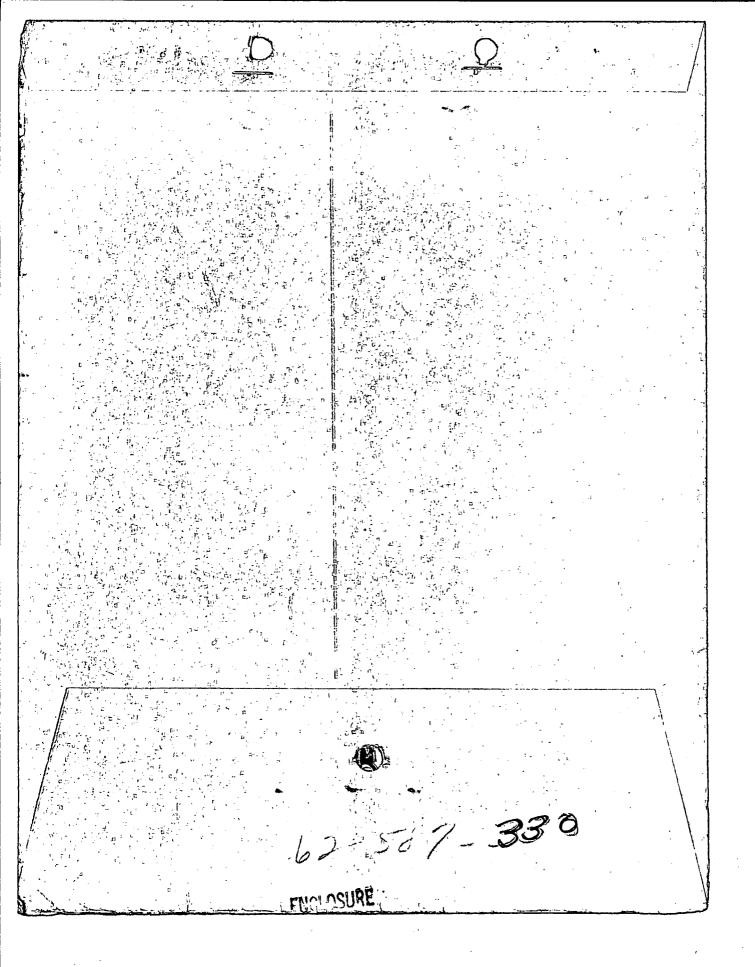
That the attached teletype authorizing the conditions of the interview of Good in the presence of his attorney be sent to the San Francisco Office.

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Sen. Robert F. Kennedy Speaks to a Group of Negroes in the Watts Section of Los A

RFK: A Family Man, a N



Young Robert sits in 1939 beside his father, then Ambassador to England Joseph P. Kennedy Sr., in Boston, in 1939, with his brothers, Joseph Jr., left, killed in World War II, and John, right, assassinated in Dallas in 1963.



As counsel for the Senate Rackets Committee, Kennedy, left, confers in Washington in 1959 with his brothers Edward, center, and John, then a senator, during a hearing.

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"Where there is no vision, the people perish."

-Old Testament: Proverbs XXIX, 18

Climate of Violence

There is a spirit of anguish and sorrow in America today—a feeling that this country is being carried down a dark, uncharted stream by forces we neither control nor comprehend. This is the national response to the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy—a reaction heightened by the murder of his brother, the President, more than 4½ years ago and by the killing of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. just two months ago.

A climate of violence exists in the U.S., very likely to a degree never before known. We have always, to be sure, been a violent land, as witness our virtual extermination of the Indians, our past hero-worship of bootleggers and gangsters, and now the homage we pay to gunslingers and espionage agents who parade across the TV screen. This also is the time of the alienated, of the anti-hero, and of those who scoff at the concept of an orderly society.

The constant diet of lawlessness presented by TV, by radio, by the newspapers and the popular magazines may not affect the vast majority of Americans: They take it pretty much for granted. But portrayals of violence do feed the churning emotions of the unbalanced. They make murder seem almost normal. A national climate in which violence is accepted almost indifferently is the very climate that gives that extra little nudge to the potential killer.

The assassination of public figures is not new to this country, but in these past few years it has become horribly frequent. Years elapsed between the killing of Abraham Lincoln and the assassination of McKinley and then before the attempt on the life of Franklin D. Roosevelt when President-elect. The shortening of the time span is frightening.

Whatever the twisted motives of those who point the pistol may be, these most recent events may bring to an end a cherished American tradition—the freedom of a candidate for office to mingle unafraid with the crowds, to stand on a platform without an army of police as protection, to move among the people whom he has asked to vote for him. The sense that the candidate is one with all other Americans might very well be one of the ancillary tragedies of the Kennedy killing.

What can be done about it? Laws alone certainly are inadequate, for they require massive public support—either that, or virtually a police state.

No, the answer lies in the minds and hearts of the American people. Theirs is the responsibility. They are the ones who must act. They can keep their children from watching violence on TV or from reading about violence. They can make sure that violence in American life is no longer attractive. They alone have the power to insist upon respect for law and order, and to make it more attractive by establishing an example for those around them. The media, in turn, must recognize their own responsibility, or, in the end, public disapproval will make them recognize it.

We live in an overcrowded society beset by war and poverty, served by complex devices that increasingly isolate us from one another. Yet we must try to restore to this country a sense of community, and each individual must accept responsibility for maintaining law and order. Violence begets more violence. If America is to survive as an orderly nation, its people must face up to the challenge posed by the shots that took the life of Robert F. Kennedy.

Thursday, June 6, 1968



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It's All Been Said Before

Senator Robert Kennedy stood up to acknowledge a victory early Wednesday morning. His admirers were jubilant but his tone was serious, even pleading. The time has come, he said, the time is late for a change. And he meant not just a

change in the men who run government but change in the ways of the country, and the way we live with each other and the world.

Just after that, he was shot by a young man whom witnesses heard saying, "I did it for my country, for the good of my country . . ."

Perhaps the most painful reflection on it is that the main

comments we have to make are now so obvious and familiar. We have all said them again and again in the last half decade, and not just when President Kennedy and Martin Luther King were murdered, but when Medgar Evers and Viola Liuzzo were murdered, when human fury exploded in cities like fire bombs, when a crazed student climbed a university tower in Texas and sprayed death.

Now we have to say the same things once more, as though we had not noticed all that. There is a stain of violence on the face of the land. It is too easy for too many people to get guns. The sense of common purpose is failing us. There is a grave gap between our idea of the human being and how we can manage as a collection of human beings, a society.

For the Kennedy family, the tragedy had a classic theme of fate. The eldest brother died in war, the eldest sister died in a plane crash, the

next brother who became President was murdered, the youngest brother nearly died in a plane crash. Robert Kennedy held a sense of fatalism and chose defiance of what seemed a mark on his kin as the only vital way to live. Perhaps that feeling underlay somehow his wish for so many children.

Why tragedy should so focus on one family passes understanding. Grief for them and admiration for their refusal to be bowed can be the only answer.

But there must be a better answer to the question it brings of whether there is a mark on the country, whether the nation can guide or can only succumb to its fate.

Five years ago I was following a British prime minister campaigning as Robert Kennedy was doing until Wednesday morning. He wandered about with no police or guards, though he was already chief of government in an angrily divided country, and I mentioned the unconcern for safety to English friends. They replied with scorn for what they called America's "obsession with security." That was a few weeks before President Kennedy

And the night Robert Kennedy was shot, a woman in Moscow gave her reaction to an American TV interviewer. "I feel sorry for people who live in such a country," the anonymous Russian said. Yet ours has also been, and visibly remains, a country of hore and people amintion.

Yet ours has also been, and visibly remains, a country of hope and noble aspiration, an exuberant country whose people like to build and create, a country that takes pride in generosity and admires courage, an open land of open people where the furtive gesture is the sign of the villain.

The change Kennedy was asking for is really a clear decision on the way the country is to go on now. A family may be caught by fate, the country

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

MR. TROTTER

DATE:

6/12/68

FROM

S. F. Latona WOW

SUBJECT:

ASSASSINATION OF

SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

LATENT FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATIONS

The Los Angeles Division submitted numerous paper specimens taken from the room of subject Sirhan Bishara Sirhan for examination.

To date, Ident Division has identified 173 latent fingerprints as those of Sirhan on various specimens bearing handwritten notations such as "Sirhan Sirhan must work on solving the problems and difficulties of assassinating the 36th President of the glorius United States" and "RFK must be disposed of -. " Comparisons are continuing.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information

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1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Rex I. Shroder, Room 5710 JB

1 - Mr. Henry A. Schutz, Jr., Room 5722; JB

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Mr. William Jacobs Attorney at Law Suite 548 Spitzer Building Toledo, Ohio 43604

WILLIAM Dear Mr. Jacobs:

Mr. Hoover read your letter of June 6th and asked that I thank you for your kind offer to be of assistance.

Although Mr. Hoover is unable to authorize you to act in any capacity for the FBI, he wanted me to assure you that all citizens can be of great aid to their country by making available to appropriate authorities any information they acquire indicative of criminal or subversive activities. If you have such information at any time which you believe is of concern to the FBI, do not hesitate to contact a representative of our Resident Agency at 412 New Federal Building in your city or our office covering your area which is located at 3005 Federal Office Building, Cleveland, Ohio 44199.

Sincerely yours,

A Kelen Ganday

Helen W. Gandy Secretary

Mohr Bishop

Casper Callahan

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Mr. J. Edgar Moover Director of FBI Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,



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I am an attorney of Arabic descent, I am involved in the Courts with a recommended suspension from practice. I have never volunteered for any thing yet I feel moved to offer my assistance to you while I am still able to practice law, in investigating the causes behind the death of Senator Robert Kennedy.

I feel because of my experience locally with people of similiar nationality and because of my family name I could be used by your office. I would attempt to gain the boys confidence to inform you as to what if anything was behind this act.

Very Truly

William Jacobs

WILLIAM J. JACOBS ATTORNEY AT LAW

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FROM:

DIRECTOR FBI

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RERPT SA RICHARDS JUNE NINE LAST.

BEGINNING ON PAGE ONE ZERO FOUR EIGHT INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM JOHN FAHEY IS SET OUT; HOWEVER, NO INDICATION THIS INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED TO BUREAU OR THAT ANY INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN INITIATED TO SUBSTANTIATE OR REFUTE HIS ALLEGATIONS.

THIS MATTER MUST RECEIVE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AND YOUR INQUIRY SHOULD INCLUDE BUT NOT BE RESTRICTED TO INQUIRIES AT THE RESTAURANT WHERE FAHEY AND HIS COMPANION ATE AND ANY OTHER LOGICAL INVESTIGATION WHICH WOULD VERIFY FAHEY'S WHEREABOUTS ON JUNE FOUR LAST.

IT IS NOTED THAT FAHEY IDENTIFIED A PICTURE OF MUNIR SIRHAN AS CLOSELY RESEMBLING THE MAN WHO WAS OBSERVING HIM

Tolson DeLoach AND HIS FEMALE COMPANION IN THE HOTEL COFFEE SHOP. ADEL

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TO DATE TO PROVE OR DISPROVE THESE ALLEGATIONS. IN THE

FUTURE INCLUDE SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED IN

YOUR DAILY SUMMARIES UNTIL MATTER COMPLETELY RESOLVED.

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TO

Mr. DeLőach

: A. Roser **FROM**

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF

SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

DATE: June 13, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Malley

1 - Mr. Shroder

1 - Mr. Schutz

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- Mr. Sullivan

The attached teletype from our Los Angeles Office summarizes recent investigation into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. setting forth the results of interviews with former associates, employers and witnesses to the shooting of Senator Kennedy. Roosevelt Grier, professional football player, has been interviewed and relates his part in helping to disarm Sirhan Bishara Sirhan. Another associate of Sirhan's who recently conversed with Sirhan described him as extremely frustrated with respect to the so-called "Zionist plots" and states Sirhan is convinced the United States is involved in the furtherance of the Zionist goals.

With respect to Sandra Serrano, a 20-year-old girl who insists a she saw a female in a polka dot dress run from the scene of the shooting shouting "We shot him - we shot him," Serrano has now obtained an attorney and will not be interviewed by authorities unless that attorney is present. The Los Angeles Police Department does not confemplate further interview with Serrano and considers her story of no value to this investigation because of inconsistencies. The Los Angeles prosecutor's office is of the firm opinion that investigation has failed to indicate any evidence to support Sirhan was associated with anyone in a conspiracy,

REC-40 Wilbur Littlefield, in the office of the Public Defender, Los Angeles, has been named to represent Sirhan although press reports indicate Sirhan desires private attorneys but cannot afford them.

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Attached for dissemination to the White House with copies to the Vice President and the Department of Justice, if approved, is a brief summary of recent developments in our investigation.

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FROM DIRECTOR FRI (62-587)

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RE BAN FRANCISCO TEL TO BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES JUNE SIX LAST RELATIVE TO THE ATTREPTED INTERVIEW OF TROMAS D. GOOD.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles (58-156)

From: Director, FBI (62-527)

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1 - Mr. Rosen

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1 - Mr. Rex I. Shroder, Rm 5710 JB 11 1562 JUN 14 1968

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ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM:

SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

RE:

KENSALT

CARBON COPY

Enclosed for the Laboratory is a two-page handwritten letter with envelope from Mr. and Mrs. T. J. BYRNE, 6618 Willoughby Avenue, Hollywood, California 90038. Also enclosed is a hand printed note on approximately a 5 by 8" piece of paper hearing, "Where is Oswald now that we need him?"

The enclosed was received by the Los Angeles Division on 6/6/68, from Mr. and Mrs. BYRNE and the letter indicates that the BYRNEs had a photograph of Senator KENNEDY in the living room window. On arriving home the day after the photograph was put in the window, the above described hand printed note was attached to the mail box.

The Laboratory is requested to examine the hand printing on the note and compare it with any other hand printing submitted in this case now or at a later date in an attempt to identify the printer. It is also requested that upon completion of any other examination deemed advisable by the Laboratory, the above piece of paper be examined for any possible latent fingerprints and compared with the fingerprints of the subject in this case.

The above may be retained by the Laboratory.

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU JUNE THIRTEEN INSTANT RE Rabert Vance Walter, aka ROBERT SMITH; MICHAEL WALTON; KILLING OF

ABDER RAYYAN.

CHICAGO IMMEDIATELY FURNISH PHOTOS OF MILLER, SMITH, AND WALTON TO WFO. FOR INFO CHICAGO, PLANNED POOR PEOPLE'S MARCH IF UFAP CHARGED IN RAYYAN SCHEDULED WDC JUNE NINETEEN NEXT. KILLING, WFO WILL DISPLAY PHOTOS TO SOURCES WITHIN POOR PEOPLE'S EXPEDITE. CAMPAIGN.

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1 - Mr. Cooke

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Mr. Maurice L. Croteau 519 Princess Street Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Dear Sir:

Mr. Hoover has received your letter dated June 5, 1968.

This Bureau appreciates your bringing this matter to our attention in connection with the murder of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

MAILED Z JUN 12 1968 COMM-FBI

Very truly yours;

Helen W. Gandv Secretary

Los Angeles (Enclosures - 3) Enclosed for Los Angeles are a Xerox copy of the letter and envelope and a true copy of the letter of Maurice L. Croteau dated 6/5/68. This is furnished for the information of Los Angeles.

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NOTE

Correspondent appears to probably be identical with the subject of three Bureau cases, one Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property check case and two Interstate Transportation of Stolen Motor Vehicles cases. He has also been convicted of local felony charges.

Since the correspondent is voluntarily offering a suspect in the KENSALT case, it is believed that his letter should receive a reply.

Secret Service being advised separately.