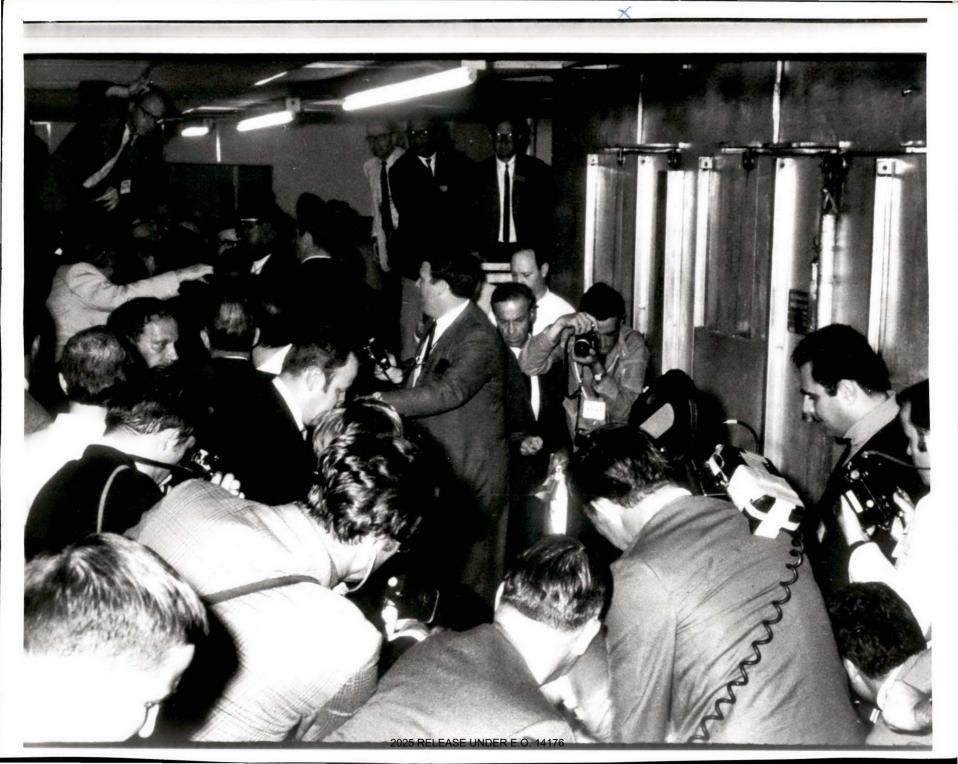
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Police Officer and requested that a vehicle he was allegedly was following be stopped. He stated CHANEY appeared to be drunk and was arrested and transported to the Galveston Police Station. SOLANDO advised he interviewed CHANEY and that CHANEY claimed he was working with the FBI in connection with the KENNEDY assassination and had been following a car, license number unknown to CHANEY. SOLANDO stated in his opinion, CHANEY was definitely drunk when arrested and furthermore from his interview and observations, he believed CHANEY to be a "nut." He advised the drunk charge against CHANEY was dismissed.

DOYLE TRUMAN CHANEY was interviewed on June 17, 1968,

by SA CARLOS L. KIRBY, JR., and furnished the following information:

He advised that he resides at Route 8, Box 860, Houston, Texas, and is employed as a maintenance employee at Childers Manufacturing Co., Houston. He stated on 6-16-68, at about 11:30 pm, he was at the Texan Drive-In located on Hempstead Highway, Houston, Texas, when he observed a white Ford station wagon, bearing California license number unknown, parked at a telephone booth near the drive-in. He stated there were two males and I female occupants in the vehicle. He advised that it was dark and he does not know their race. He stated that he overheard some of their conversation and one of the male occupants remarked to the driver of the vehicle that "if you don't drive me to Vinton, Louisiana, I'll bring up that California thing." stated the vehicle then departed from the drive-in and advised that since the vehicle bore California license, he thought it might have something to do with the KENNEDY assassination. He advised that he then followed this vehicle in his car, hoping that he would observe a police officer and continued following the car through Houston on Highway 75 to Galveston, Texas, arriving in Galveston at about 1:30 a.m. on June 17, 1968.

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advised that he did not get close enough to the car to obtain the license number, claiming that he was afraid. He stated upon arriving in Galveston, he observed and stopped a police officer and told the officer to "stop that car, I have been following He stated the officer then took him to the Galveston Police Station and charged him with being drunk. He advised that he was not drunk to his knowledge, but had been drinking four of five He stated that he definitely did not at any time claim that he was an FBI Agent and the only thing he told the officers was that he was trying to contact the FBI. He further advised that he is not an employee of the FBI or any other branch of the U.S. Government and has never been an FBI employee. CHANEY stated he had no further information concerning the occupants of the white station wagon, heard no remarks regarding the KENNEDY assassination and that he only assumed that they may have been associated with it. He stated he told the same story to the Judge at the Corporation Court at Galveston and the drunk charge was dismissed.

AUSA RONALD J. BLASK, Houston, Texas, declined prosecution concerning the impersonation matter, stating no violation of the impersonation statute.

The following description of CHANEY was obtained through observation and interview:

Race White Sex Male Born 12-7-30, Sweetwater, Texas. Hair Brown Eyes Blue 5'8" Height 186 lbs. Weight marital status married

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In view of the foregoing, no further contact is being made with CHANEY, UACB.

Memorandum

TO

MR. D. J. BRENNAN, JR DATE:

FROM

SUBJECT:

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On 6/17/68, Lieutenant Colonel H. J. Bohlin, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development Room 1C660A, at the Pentagon, advised that he had learned from Fort Benning, Georgia, that the U.S. Army Marksmanship Team had been touring Europe in preparation for the coming Olympic games. While in Czechoslovakia on the 25th of May, one of the U. S. Team members was asked by a Czechoslovakian why the U. S. had not released information regarding the assassination of Robert Kennedy. A few days later, while the Team was in Sweden, a Swedish national asked a similar question. At the time these questions were ignored and no further thought given to them, but in view of the assassination of Kennedy, they thought the questions may have some significance.

Lieutenant Colonel Bohlin had no further information and advised that the person who would have personal knowledge would be a Colonel Byard, Commanding Officer of Army Marksmanship Training, Fort Benning, Georgia. Byard can be reached on telephone numbers 545-2032 and 545-7404 at Fort Benning. Colonel Byard is due to return from Europe during this week.

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For information of the Criminal Section.

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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED JUNE SEVENTEEN LAST, REQUESTING COPY OF FILM TAKEN JUNE FOUR-FIVE LAST BY JIM WILSON, CBS CAMERMAN.

NEW YORK OFFICE HAS NOT SECURED THIS FILM FROM
CBS AS INDICATED IN RE TEL. RAY RYAN, LEGAL COUNSEL,
FOR CBS, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, HAS RECEIVED REQUEST
FROM LT. MANUEL PENA, LAPD, FOR A COPY OF THIS FILM
TAKEN BY WILSON AND FOR OTHER FILM. CBS IS ASCERTAINING
WHAT FILM IS AVAILABLE AND WILL ADVISE LAPD. RYAN
PREFERS TO HANDLE THIS REQUEST DIRECTLY WITH THE
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--INVESTIGATION REGARDING ACQUAINTANCES
OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN--

RE: MRS. LINDA BAHTISHI:

GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA, STATED NEITHER SHE NOR HER HUSBAND, MUSTAFA
BAHTISHI, WERE ACQUAINTED WITH SIRHAN. SHE WAS QUESTIONED CONCERNING POSSIBLE STATEMENTS SHE HAD MADE TO EFFECT SENATOR KENNEDY
SHOULD HAVE BEEN KILLED AS HE WAS PRO-JEWISH. SHE FURTHER ADVISED
SHE KNEW OF NO ACQUAINTANCES OF SIRHAN OR ANY CLUBS TO WHICH HE OR
HER HUSBAND BELONGED. SHE DENIED KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT ARAB
CLUBS IN LOS ANGELES AREA.

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RE: MUSTAFA BAHTISHI:

MUSTAFA BAHTISHI, FOUR TWO THREE WEST GLENDON WAY, SAN GABRIEL, DENIED ANY ACQUAINTANCE WITH SIRHAN SIRHAN, BUT DID

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NAME ACQUAINTANCE OF SIRHAN'S BROTHER, ADEL SIRHAN. MUSTAFA
STATED HE WAS NOT MEMBER AND DID NOT ATTEND MEETINGS OF ANY ARAB
CLUBS IN LOS ANGELES AREA. SAID WAS AWARE HAD BEEN ARAB CLUB AT
CALIFORNIA STATE COLLEGE LOS ANGELES. THIS CLUB, HE UNDERSTOOD,
HAD BEEN DISBANDED. BELIEVED WERE SUCH CLUBS AT UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND UCLA, BUT KNEW NO MEMBERS OR OFFICERS.
ADMITTED ATTENDING PASADENA CITY COLLEGE AT NIGHT DURING PART
OF TIME SIRHAN HAD ATTENDED BUT DENIED EVER MEETING HIM. MUSTAFA
DENIED MAKING ANY ANTI-KENNEDY STATEMENTS EITHER BEFORE OR
AFTER ASSASSINATION, AND INDICATED SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN
LOOKED UPON WITH SOME FAVOR BY JORDANIANS IN GENERAL. MUSTAFA
FURNISHED NAME MUSTAFA SAMKARI (PH) AS POSSIBLE ACQUAINTANCE
OF SIRHAN.

RE: EDWARD VAN ANTWERP:

EDWARD VAN ANTWERP INTERVIEWED SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, AND IMMEDIATELY RECALLED "SOL" (FURTHER NAME UNKNOWN) WITH WHOM HE LIVED FOR FIVE MONTHS IN LATE SIXTY SIX AT NORCO, CALIFORNIA. AFTER VIEWING PUBLISHED PHOTOGRAPH OF SIRHAN, VAN ANTWERP FULLY CONVINCED THAT "SOL" AND SI PAN IDENTICAL. VAN ANTWERP MET SIRHAN BY CHANCE AT HIGHLANDER MOTEL AND LIVED WITH HIM FOUR OR

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FIVE MONTHS. HAD LITTLE ASSOCIATION EXCEPT AS ROOMMATES. VAN ANTWERP HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF SIRHAN'S ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS, POLITICAL BELIEFS, FAMILY ETHNIC BACKGROUND OR ANYTHING PERSONAL CONCERNING HIM. STATED "SOLZ WAS NICE YOUNG KID WHO SEEMED TO BE OF OPINION THAT HE WAS NOT GETTING A FAIR DEAL IN LIFE MAINLY BECAUSE HE WAS POOR, BUT THIS DID NOT BOTHER HIM UNDULY".

--INVESTIGATION AT SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB--

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT LOS ANGELES HAS DEVELOPED ADDITIONAL WITNESS, CLAUDIA WILLIAMS, TWO FOUR TWO EIGHT SIERRA LEONE, ROLLING HEIGHTS, WHO MAY HAVE TALKED TO SIRHAN AT THE FISH CANYON GUN RANGE ON JUNE FOUR LAST. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW HER. THIS INTERVIEW MAY BE OF IMPORTANCE AS IT MAY CLARIFY PREVIOUS INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM RANGE OFFICER EVERETT BUCKNER.

--INFORMATION FURNISHED BY JOHN FAHEY CONCERNING

ACTIVITY, AMBASSADOR HOTEL, JUNE FOUR LAST-
XF JOHN FAHEY ADVISED HAD TOLD STORY CONCERNING SPENDING DAY
WITH ONE GILDERDINE OPPENHEIMER TO REPORTER FERNANDO FAURA OF

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"HOLLYWOOD CITIZEN-NEWS" NEWSPAPER. SAID FAURA HAD STORY CONCERNING UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE CONNECTED WITH KENNEDY SHOOTING,
AND THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE CONNECTED WITH HIS EXPERIENCE. FOR THIS
REASON, HE CONTACTED FAURA, AFTER FAURA PROMISED WOULD NOT
PUBLISH STORY. STATED HE DOES NOT EXPECT FAURA TO PRINT STORY.
FAHEY TALKED TO FAURA ON JUNE FIFTEEN LAST, SAME DAY TOLD STORY
TO LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED IN
VICINITY OF AMBASSADOR HOTEL TO IDENTIFY UNKNOWN BLONDE WOMAN
DESCRIBED BY FAHEY IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER.

--INFORMATION FURNISHED BY VERONICA
DEEMS REGARDING TAMARA COROBICH--

VERONICA DEEMS, EMPLOYEE, BOUTIQUE SHOP, MIRAMAR HOTEL, SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA, FURNISHED NEW YORK OFFICE FBI AND SANTA MONICA POLICE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION THAT A TAMARA COROBICH WAS ON AIRPLANE FLIGHT TO NEW YORK AND ALLEGEDLY HAD CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE. DEEMS HAS FURNISHED IRRELEVANT INFORMATION ON TWO ADDITIONAL OCCASIONS CONCERNING THIS CASE. LAPD DETECTIVE WILLIAM RATHBURN, WHO INTERVIEWED DEEMS, CONTACTED AND ADVISED DEEMS' INFORMATION HAS NO CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER. DETECTIVE

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KENNETH LLOYD LILAIEL AND DETECTIVE ROBERT SOLLEE, BOTH OF SANTA MONICA POLICE DEPARTMENT, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISE INFORMATION FROM DEEMS HAS NO POSSIBLE CONNECTION THIS MATTER. DEEMS PRESENTLY OUT OF TOWN AND INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER.

--OFFICIAL KENNEDY PARTY--

PETER SMITH, ADVANCE MAN FOR LOS ANGELES KENNEDY CAMPAIGN,
ADVISED IN NEW YORK HE GAVE SOUND MAN GERRY COSTIGAN PASS FOR
EMBASSY ROOM ON NIGHT OF ASSASSINATION. COSTIGAN TOLD SMITH THAT
HE, COSTIGAN, HAD VIEWED INDIVIDUAL HE BELIEVED TO BE SIRHAN SIRHAN
IN EMBASSY ROOM AND HAD MOVED THIS INDIVIDUAL OFF THE PLATFORM
DURING COURSE OF EVENING. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY
WASHINGTON FIELD TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GERRY COSTIGAN.

-- MISCELLA NEOUS--

LOS ANGELES PRESS TODAY REFLECTED AP RELEASE WHEREIN SPOKESMAN FOR ISRAELI MQG5-46 &9;34,94 S OFFICE HAS CONFIRMED THAT

BISHARA SIRHAN, FATHER OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, OFFICIALLY APPLIED

Permission
FOR PZUXISSION TO GO TO U. S. PLANS FOR FATHER'S TRIP TO AMERICA

ANNOUNCED AFTER HE RETURNED TO JERUSALEM FROM AMMAN, WHERE HE MADE

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SOME PROVISIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SON'S LEGAL DEFENSE. ACCORDING TO PRESS STATEMENT, ARAB LAWYERS' FEDERATION IN AMMAN INDICATED TEAM OF FIVE ARAB LAWYERS WOULD GO TO U. S. SHORTLY TO PREPARE FOR TRIAL. STATEMENT INDICATED ARAB LEGAL TEAM WOULD BE HEADED BY PROMINENT BEIRUT ATTORNEY HENRY CATTAN, BUT CATTAN SAID HAD NOT BEEN NOTIFIED OF STATEMENT AND MOST ANY ARAB LAWYERS COULD DO WOULD BE TO ASSIST AMERICAN ATTORNEYS OUT OF COURT. CATTAN SAID "WE CANNOT APPEAR BEFORE AN AMERICAN COURT".

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-- APPOINTMENT OF NEW ATTORNEY--

A. L. WIRIN OF ACLU TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT SIRHAN WOULD HAVE NEW ATTORNEYS. USA W. BYRNE ADVISED THAT ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS WOULD BE RUSSELL E. PARSONS OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT THE OTHER WHO WOULD BE THE LEAD ATTORNEY IS AS YET UNKNOWN. WIRIN IS TO FILE SUBSTITUTION PAPERS TOMORROW AND HAS DECLINED TO IDENTIFY THE OTHER ATTORNEY. MARTINDALE AND HUBBELL REFLECTS PARSONS BORN EIGHTEEN NINETY FIVE. ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BOTH COLLEGE AND LAW SCHOOL. HAS OFFICE AT TWO ZERO FIVE SOUTH BROADWAY. PARSONS ACTIVE IN PRACTICE OF CRIMINAL LAW.

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--PURCHASE OF AMMUNITION AT LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL GUN SHOP, SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA--

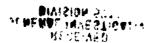
TWO PERSONS WHO PURCHASED HANDGUNS FROM INSTANT STORE ON MAY TWENTY FOUR AND TWENTY FIVE LAST INTERVIEWED TODAY AND ADVISED THEY DID NOT PICK UP THEIR GUNS ON JUNE ONE, LAST. BOTH ADVISED THEY WERE NOT REGULAR CUSTOMERS OF STORE AND COULD NOT RECALL BEING IN STORE AROUND APRIL, LAST. NEITHER COULD REMEMBER SEEING THREE FOREIGN LOOKING PERSONS IN STORE DURING THEIR VISITS. PHOTOGRAPHS OF SIRHAN FAMILY EXHIBITED TO THESE PERSONS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE OTHER PERSONS WHO WERE POSSIBLY IN STORE ON PERTINENT DATES.

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FOR INFORMATION SEATTLE, VERONICA DEEMS, EIGHT FIVE TWO B

TENTH STREET, SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONED THE FBI, NEW

YORK CITY, FROM CALIFORNIA ON JUNE NINE LAST SAYING THAT TAMARA

JUNE TEN LAST. DEEMS MENTIONED THAT ON JUNE SEVEN LAST THE MIRAMAR HOTEL, SANTA MONICA, A SUITCASE WAS CONFISCATED, WHICH

DEEMS BELIEVED BELONGED TO COROVICH AND ALSO THAT COROVICH IS
THE "MISSING GIRL" IN THE KENNEDY CASE. SHE SAID SHE LEARNED

OF COROVICH'S DEPARTURE THROUGH BELLBOY AT MIRAMAR HOTEL.

THE MISSING GIRL IN THE RENNEDT CASE. SHE SAID SHE LEARNED

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COULD FURNISH FBI, NEW YORK CITY, NO REASON WHY SHE BELIEVED

COROVICH IS "MISSING GIRL".

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COROVICH NOT LOCATED ABOARD FLIGHT.

REBUTEL INSTRUCTS THAT DEEMS BE IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEWED TO RESOLVE MATTER OF "MISSING GIRL" IN CAPTIONED CASE AND SUTEL RESULTS.

LAPD INTERVIEWED DEEMS ON JUNE NINE LAST. DEEMS ADVISED CONCERNING FEMALE GUEST AT MIRAMAR HOTEL WHO MADE PURCHASE BY PHONE TO BOUTIQUE SHOP AT HOTEL AND PAID BELLBOY BY EXTENDING ARM THROUGH DOOR TO HER ROOM, NUMBER TWO THREE SIX. SHE SAID THAT FEMALE GUEST HAD WIG SENT OUT TO BE STYLED. DEEMS ALSO TOLD LAPD THAT HER FRIEND, PETER KALVODA, EMPLOYEE OF MIRAMAR HOTEL, HAD BEEN ACTING WEIRD SINCE KENNEDY SHOOTING. SHE SAID SHE FOUND NOTE IN KALVODA'S POCKET READING "TAMARA COROVICH, SUNDAY, FOUR THIRTY. AAL TWO NINE NINE".

DEEMS ALSO TOLD LAPD OF SUITCASE LEFT AT MIRAMAR AND LATER
TURNED OVER TO SANTA MONICA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

LAPD OFFICER RATHBURN ADVISED THAT DEEMS FURNISHED NO INFORMATION WHICH APPEARED TO TIE INTO INSTANT CASE AND SHE SEEMED "KOOKY".

COROVICH HAS NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED NOR LOCATED.

INVESTIGATION DEVELOPED DEEMS IS IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON,
ADDRESS UNKNOWN, DUE TO MOTHER'S ILLNESS. NAME AND ADDRESS OF
MOTHER ALSO UNKNOWN. DEEMS IS REPORTEDLY WITH KALVODA.
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LOS ANGELES WILL ASCERTAIN EXACT ADDRESS OF DEEMS AND ADVISE SEATTLE.

SEATTLE WILL, IF CONTACTED BY DEEMS, INTERVIEW HER FOR ALL INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THIS CASE. INTERVIEW KALVODA. IDENTIFY COROVICH AND DETERMINE IF SHE IS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER.

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RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU AND NEW YORK, JUNE EIGHTEEN LAST, INSTRUCTING NEW YORK OFFICE TO INTERVIEW JIMMY BRESLIN.

JIMMY BRESLIN WAS INTERVIEWED AND SAID THAT WHEN SENATOR KENNEDY'S SPEECH ENDED AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM BRESLIN THINKS WAS DICK DRAIN OF SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY'S STAFF, APPEARED AT THE DOOR OF THE PRESS ROOM IN THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL AND SAID THAT SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY WAS ON HIS WAY TO THE PRESS ROOM.

BILL BARRY, ROSIE GRIER, RAFER JOHNSON, GEORGE PLIMPTON AND WARREN ROGERS SUBDUED SIRHAN. BRESLIN ASKED SIRHAN AT THE TIME WHY HE DID IT. SIRHAN DID NOT ANSWER.

BRESLIN DID NOT SEE THE ACTUAL SHOOTING. HE SAW

THE GUN IN THE AIR AND BILL BARRY GRABBING THE ARM HOLDING

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THE GUN.

BRESLIN HAD NEVER SEEN SIRHAN BEFORE THIS.

BRESLIN HAS SINCE HEARD RUMORS THAT DICK TUCK OF

SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY'S STAFF CHASED SIRHAN OFF THE

PLATFORM TWICE AND THAT DICK HARWOOD OF THE WASHINGTON POST ACTUALLY SAW \$\frac{\psi}{2}\$\$

SIRHAN SHOOT SENATOR KENNEDY.

A COPY OF THIS IS SENT TO WASHINGTON FIELD FOR INFO.

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D-3 (Rev. 5-22-64) Mr. DeLoach Mr. Mohr. Mr. Callahan. 6/20/68 PLAINTEXT Transmit the following in _ Mr. Tavel (Type in plaintext or code. Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room. TELETYPE M.ss Holmes (Priority) Miss Gandy DIRECTOR (62-587) AND SACS NEW YORK (44-1640) LOS ANGELES (56-156) SAC, WFO (173-135) FROM: KENSALT RE WFO TELETYPE INSTANT. JOHN WILLIAM LEWIS, III, ELECTRICIAN CBS ADVISED TODAY SENATOR KENNEDY ENTERED EMBASSY ROOM THROUGH FRONT DOOR, PASSING THROUGH INTENSE CROWD. LEWIS ASSISTED JAMES WILSON, CBS IN FILMING SENATOR KENNEDY'S EXIT FROM STAGE AREA AND THROUGH KITCHEN PASSAGE-WAY UP TO AND AFTER ASSASSINATION. WILSON STATES JERRY SIMS, LIFE MAGAZINE, WORKING OUT OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE CONTINUED FILMING AS WILSON BECAME TOO GRIEF STRICKEN TO CONTINUE. INVESTIGATION DETERMINES THAT SIMS CAN BE LOCATED THROUGH EITHER ROBERT ORR OR CASEY DAVISON LICBS, NEW YORK, WHILE HENRY KOKOJAN AND A.W. RISSER, NBC, CAN BE LOCATED THROUGH ASSIGNMENT DESK, NBC, CODE TWO ONE TWO CIRCLE SEVEN EIGHT THREE ZERO ZERO, EXTENSION THREE THREE NINE ONE. 2 - Bureau 14 JUN 24 1968 - Teletype Unit 2 - WFO PEC:acd

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LOS ANGELES, IF NOT ALREADY HANDLED, INTERVIEW JOHN MARSHALL, WARREN WILSON, AND ENGINEER, AKA LOU OF KFWB, LOS ANGELES, REGARDING ASSASSINATION.

(Priority)

NEW YORK DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF SIMS, KOKOJAN FOR SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEWS. P

Approved: ______M Per _____

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		Reference WFO teletype to Bureau 6/18/68 requesting w of news correspondents in the KENNEDY party at the the assassination including Kansas City Star reporter.
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	Senator I (not JOH	The only Kansas City Star news correspondent present mbassador Hotel at the time of the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY was identified as JOHN J. DOOHAN N MC CARTHY as indicated in referenced teletype). ion furnished by DOOHAN is set out in enclosed FD-302.
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JOHN J. DOOHAN, Head Librarian and columnist, Kansas City Star, 19th and Grand, furnished the following information:

On June 4, 1968, he was attending a newspaper librarian's convention at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, California. On that evening he and two fellow librarians attending the convention, JAMES SCOFIELD, Librarian, St. Petersburg, Florida, Times, and EDWARD QUILL, Librarian, Boston Globe, went to the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles to follow California primary election returns and attend the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY rally.

During the evening of June 4, 1968, DOOHAN visited the press room in the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel and attended the rally about midnight at which Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY spoke. About 1,000 persons were in attendance and he became separated from his two associates. In order to meet the fire department regulations the Embassy Room where the rally was held was closed and the overflow crowd was sent he believes to a room on a lower floor, possibly the Ambassador Room. While he had been in the press room he learned that Senator KENNEDY would visit the press room at the Colonial Room after he spoke at the rally in the Embassy Room. Therefore, after hearing Senator KENNEDY speak and watching him leave the stage DOOHAN went directly to the press room to await Senator KENNEDY'S appearance there. It was while he was on his way to the press room that he heard the commotion, although he did not hear any shots, and learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

Although he had not been assigned as a reporter to the California primary or to the KENNEDY party he immediately prepared a story which was printed in the June 5, 1968, issue of the Kansas City Star, the evening Kansas City Times, under his by-line giving his personal account of the assassination which read as follows:

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"Sen. Robert F. Kennedy had just finished his short victory statement, raised his fingers in a V sign and it was now "on to Chicago.

"I was standing toward the rear of the Embassy room at the Hotel Ambassador, along with more than 1,000 others. Though the ballroom is air-conditioned, it was hot and stuffy. I thought to myself that Kennedy looked as happy as anyone could possibly be.

"As the senator turned to leave the room, I heard a rumor that he was going to pass through a temporary press room on his way to a lower floor of the hotel, where another group of his excited supporters waited for him to appear.

"I headed for the press room. I knew where it was because I had been in there a few minutes earlier talking to Pierre Salinger, press secretary for the New York senator and for his late brother, President John F. Kennedy.

"The press room was near a long, narrow corridor used as a serving room for dinner meetings in the ballroom. Senator Kennedy was to use this passageway on his way to meet reporters.

"Accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Ethel Kennedy; Jesse Unruh, speaker of the California Assembly and a leader of the Kennedy forces here, and others, Kennedy started through the serving galley. Leading the way for him were several Los Angeles police officers, Rafer Johnson, former decathlon champion and now on the R. F. K. staff in California, and Roosevelt Grier, a defensive tackle for the Los Angeles Rams professional football team.

"The room itself contained metal serving and steam tables, which were not in use early today as there had been no program or refreshments served in the Embassy room. The area is 10 to 12 feet wide and 40 to 50 feet long.

"At 12:15 o'clock this morning it was jammed with hotel employees waiting for a chance to see and, perhaps, shake hands with the Democratic presidential hopeful.

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"Predictably, Senator Kennedy paused as he made his way slowly through the galley to shake hands. I was still on my way from the ballroom to the press room-kitchen, when it happened.

"I heard absolute bedlam coming from the narrow hallway, as from a range of less than 10 feet the would-be assassin began firing what turned out to be a .22-caliber revolver, wounding Kennedy and several others immediately clustered around him. I didn't actually hear the shots.

"But I got a chance to peer into the room and saw a young, bushy-haired, dark complexioned man being carried out by police officers. He was wearing blue jeans, tennis shoes and a blue sweat shirt.

"I was told that Johnson and Grier and possibly one or two others tackled and held the man immediately, but, of course, the tragedy was completed.

"We don't know yet who he is. But one thing is clear in my mind. He had to know the ropes. This was all behind the door to the ballroom. It seems to me that he had to know what the Kennedy exit was going to be beforehand.

"People say that a hurricane roars. You could just heard a roar. Then in a short time-just a few moments-people were crying. All of us were stunned.

"I saw Ethel Kennedy. She was right alongside him all the time. Mrs. Kennedy remained very composed.

"Then Steve Smith, Kennedy's brother-in-law, asked everyone to quiet down and "let's all be orderly." It was hair-raising; Smith's voice sounds just like Senator Kennedy's.

"I was at the hotel in the first place because I admire Senator Kennedy. Our convention business was over for the evening and three of us, a librarian from St. Petersburg, Fla., and another from the Boston Globe had gone out to eat. Instead of going back to our hotel, the tSatler Hilton, we decided to go over to the Ambassador. We had heard that the senator and his California friends had taken quarters there for the night.

"We got there about 9:45 o'clock, and the lobby was already packed with people. There must have been more than 3,000 in the lobby and the ballroom. There was no program; people just standing around talking and catching the latest returns.

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"That's how I bumped into Salinger. I told him I was from The Star, and he asked about several persons he knows on the paper. Then he told me that Kennedy probably would pass through the press room after making his television statement.

"Thus, I was by happenstance close to the scene of the tragedy, close enough, regretable as it was, to be on the sideline as the senator was carried to an ambulance.

"Some of those closer than I felt Bobby Kennedy was conscious. Someone told me he was able to take a rosary in his hand.

"I have never seen a huge mass of people so crazed in the aftermath of the shooting. Many were knocked known in the hallways as young people ran around. It was shocking.

"I then went back to the shooting scene. The other victims were still lying on the floor. Karl Ucler, an assistant manager of the hotel, told me he was alongside the senator as they came through the kitchen.

"'The senator had paused to shake hands with some of the help when the shots popped, 'Ucler said. 'I saw the senator fall and several others go down.

"'I saw a small type gun in the gunman's hand. Two guys (apparently Johnson and Grier) pinned him over the counter.'

"I also talked with Norman N. Mamey, president of the Finance Service corporation, who said he was right next to Kennedy when he was struck.

"'We came from the Embassy room and were going through the kitchen area,' Mamey said. 'The senator stopped to greet some of the help, and as he reached for a hand four or five shots were fired.

"'Three men fell and I knew one of them was Senator Kennedy. I ducked in a corner and kind of under the tables. The fellow on my right was hit in the hip, I believe, and the man in front of me was hit in the leg.

"'Everyone else ducked for cover. The women became hysterical.'

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"After it was all over, police took over some rooms. Fourteen witnesses were giving statements right in the hotel.

"Obviously, for me, any thought of sleep was out of the question. I returned to the Embassy room, where the frenzied mood was over, giving way to tears and shock.

""'What a country we live in, one girl said.

"'It just can't be true, it just can't be,' I heard a man say.

"At first it was fairly easy to get out of the hotel. But later entrances were blocked by police. In the press room I was told by an officer that the 14 witnesses were being questioned.

"Still later I was able to leave the hotel. I hired a taxicab to go back to the Statler Hilton. I asked the driver to stop by the Good Samaritan hospital, and he did.

"I guess there were about 150 people at one of the two entrances, just sitting on the curbing, waiting. I asked a policeman, and he said the senator was still in surgery and that there was no word. At the other entrance, about 300 persons were just standing around the doorway and the street. They were stunned, all stunned."

DOOHAN covered the assassination for the next two hours for the Kansas City Star and was stationed at the hospital where Senator KENNEDY was taken.

DOOHAN had no knowledge of any change in plans by Senator KENNEDY to go to the Ambassador Room or any other room instead of proceeding to the press room (Colonial Room).

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FBI NEW YORK

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TO DIRECTOR 62-587, LOS ANGELES 56-156 (PLAIN)

LA VIA WASHINGTON

FROM NEW YORK 44-1640

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RE INTERVIEWS OF NEWS MEDIA PERSONNEL.

RE WFO TEL TO BUREAU. NEW YORK AND LA. JUNE TWENTY INSTANT REQUESTING NEW YORK OFFICE TO DETERMINE LOCATION OF DENNIS BERKSON FROM ABC IN NYC.

THE SECRETARY TO FRAZIER HEAD, PAYMASTER FOR ABC, NEW YORK. NEW YORK. STAZED THAT DENNIS BERKSON IS A FREE DASH LANCER WHO DOES WORK FOR ABC.

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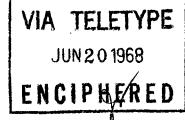
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FROM NEW YORK 44-1640 1P

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RE WFO TEL JUNE EIGHTEEN SIXTYEIGHT, EIGHT ZERO FIVE PM TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES REQUESTING NEW YORK TO INTERVIEW PAUL HEALY.

INQUIRY AT NEW YORK DAILY NEWS REVEALS THAT PAUL HEALY WORKS OUT OF NEW YORK DAILY NEWS OFFICE IN NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING, WASHINGTON, DC, TELEPHONE NA EIGHT-FIVE ZERO FIVE NINE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Mr. DeLoach

FROM

A. Rosen 🧞

SUBJECT:

ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

DATE: June 20, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Rosen

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This is to provide a brief resume of our investigation to date into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy at Los Angeles, California; to advise of the fact that our first investigative report, totaling 1,082 pages, has been disseminated to interested Government agencies and the prosecuting attorney in Los Angeles, California; and to pinpoint those areas of investigation that remain.

As approved, copies of our initial investigative report were forwarded on 6/17/68 to the Assistant Attorneys General of the Criminal Division and Civil Rights Division. In accordance with the reply from the Criminal Division on the same date, we instructed our Los Angeles Office to forward copies of this report to Prosecuting Attorney Evelle Younger, at Los Angeles and in addition, to the United States Attorney at Los Angeles. We also furnished CIA, Secret Service and State Department, all of whom have an interest in this case, a copy of this report.

Our investigation to date has established that Sirhan Bishara Sirhan has evidenced, over a period of years, animosity toward the State of Israel and has indicated strong nationalistic sympathies toward the Arab states. The scribblings and notations found on material located in his room indicated he had, prior to the actual assassination attempt, given consideration to shooting Senator Kennedy. There seems to be a direct tie-in between recent pro-Israel remarks made by Kennedy and the fact that the shooting took place on the anniversary of the war between Israel and the Arab states. Investigation indicates he purchased ammunition on June 1, 1968, and participated in target practice the day before the assassination attempt.

Although investigation has failed thus far to establish evidence a conspiracy exists, or Sirhan acted in concert with another, the news media continually bring to light allegations of

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conspiracy which thus far are unsubstantiated. With respect to these rumors, we are concentrating our investigation in three areas:

1. The identity of the so-called girl in the polka dot dress which stems from, thus far, unsubstantiated and inconsistent statements made by 20-year-old Sandra Serrano who was at least 140 feet from the scene of the shooting but who steadfastly maintains that she heard sounds like shots and saw a girl running from the area in a polka dot dress shouting, "We shot him--we shot him." This witness is scheduled to undergo a polygraph examination by the Los Angeles Police Department 6/20/68.

An Ambassador Hotel employee has stated he saw Sirhan standing in the kitchen area just prior to the shooting. He states a white female in a polka dot dress was standing next to Sirhan and they conversed briefly. This female apparently not identical to the one viewed by Serrano since style and color of polka dot dresses differ.

- 2. Sirhan has been identified by the wife of the owner of the gun shop where the ammunition was bought on June 1, 1968, as having been in the shop during April, 1968, accompanied by two other "foreign-looking" individuals and the salesman in the same store alleges that on the day Sirhan made his purchase of ammunition (6/1/68), he was accompanied by two other as yet unidentified individuals.
- 3. Several witnesses positively identified Sirhan as participating in target practice at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club on June 4, 1968. An employee of the club insists he overheard a conversation between Sirhan and an unidentified blonde girl while Sirhan was firing there. Other witnesses indicate such a woman was at the scene but no one substantiates the fact that she indicated an acquaintanceship with Sirhan.

These three, as well as all other facets of our investigation, are receiving exhaustive attention.

Rosen to DeLoach Memorandum
RE: ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR
ROBERT F. KENNEDY

ACTION:

The Department, the prosecuting attorney, the U. S. Attorney and interested Government agencies are now in possession of our first detailed report. We have kept the White House and the Department apprised of pertinent developments and will continue to do so.

Han M So Das P Mul The Attorney General

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June 21, 1968

567-6011 - Mr. DeLoach

SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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1 - Mr. Trotter

This is in reply to your communication of June 19, 1968, wherein you indicated Mr. William S. Lynch has been designated as Special Assistant to the Attorney General whose responsibility is to collect and collate information with respect to this investigation.

In the past, we have furnished copies of all pertinent memoranda and a report to Assistant Attorneys General of the Criminal Division and Civil Rights Divisions. Copies of this material have been furnished Mr. Lynch today and in the future, copies of all pertinent material will be delivered to Mr. Lynch as well as the Assistant Attorneys General of the Criminal and Civil Rights Divisions.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr. **Assistant Attorney General**
- 1 Mr. Stephen J. Pollak Assistant Attorney General
- 1 Mr. William S. Lynch Special Assistant to the Attorney General

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: Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM (): The Attorney General

SUBJECT: Assassination of Robert F. Kennedy

DATE:

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Mr. Mohr Mr. Bishop

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In addition to his other duties, William S. Lynch, Deputy Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section of the Criminal Division, has been designated Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

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In this capacity Mr. Lynch is responsible for collecting and collating for me and the Deputy Attorney General all information with respect to the above.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if you will deliver promptly to Mr. Lynch copies of all reports, memoranda, airtels, etc., relating to this matter. I would also appreciate if you would have someone check with Mr. Lynch to be sure that he has a full set of all such materials to date.

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TO DIRECTOR 62-587

FROM LOS ANGELES 56-156

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LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, LOS ANGELES ATTORNEY

RUSSELL E. PARSONS WILL DEFEND SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

NOTE FROM SIRHAN SIRHAN DATED JUNE TWELVE LAST. MADE

PUBLIC TODAY REFLECTING DIRECTION FROM SIRHAN

RETAINING PARSONS AS HIS DEFENSE ATTORNEY. BODY OF

NOTE WRITTEN BY AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION ATTORNEY

AL WIRIN AND WAS SIGNED BY SIRHAN AS SIRHAN SIRHAN.

IN NEWS RELEASE LAST EVENING PARSONS INDICATED

WOULD BE ASSISTED BY ANOTHER ATTORNEY, BUT DECLINED

TO NAME ATTORNEY AS HE INDICATED THIS ATTORNEY

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CURRENTLY REPRESENTING CLIENT IN COURT AND WAS AFRAID HIS BEING NAMED WOULD PREJUDICE COURT CASE.

ON JUNE TWENTY INSTANT, EDWARD GRITZ, ATTORNEY CALIF ASSOCIATED WITH RUSSELL E. PARSONS, ADVISED IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT OTHER ATTORNEY THAT WILL DEFEND SIRHAN SIRHAN WILL PROBABLY BE GRANT COOPER. WHO IS PRESENTLY ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS HANDLING THE FRIARS CLUB CASE AND, IN PARTICULAR, IS REPRESENTING DEFENDANT MAURICE FRIEDMAN OF LAS VEGAS. THIS CASE IS CURRENTLY BEING TRIED IN FEDERAL COURT, LOS 166-3200 ANGELES. BUFILE OF THIS CASE IS ONE SIX SIX DASH THREE TWO ZERO ZERO: LOS ANGELES FILE ONE SIX SIX DASH ONE ZERO FOUR EIGHT. COOPER IS A WELL KNOWN LOS ANGELES TRIAL ATTORNEY WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN MANY WELL KNOWN AND PUBLICIZED CASES IN LOS ANGELES. MANY INVOLVING MEMBERS OF THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT AND IN THE CIVIL AREA, ENTERTAINMENT PERSONALITIES.

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NATURE OF THIS INFORMATION, PARTICULAR CAUTION MUST BE UTILIZED SO THAT THIS INFORMATION IS NOT DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE BUREAU, AT THIS TIME.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB.

CLAUDIA WILLIAMS

CLAUDIA WILLIAMS INTERVIEWED TODAY. WILLIAMS, TWO
FOUR TWO EIGHT SIERRA-LEONE, ROLLING HEIGHTS, ADVISED
SHE AND HUSBAND ARRIVED AT SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB
RANGE AT APPROXIMATELY THREE FIFTY PM ON AFTERNOON OF
JUNE FOUR LAST. HUSBAND PROCEEDED TO RIFLE RANGE AND SHE
PROCEEDED TO PISTOL RANGE AND TOOK POSITION NEAR RANGE
HOUSE. ADVISED SHE HAD TWENTY TWO CALIBER REVOLVER WHICH
SHE HAD HAD FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS, BUT
GUN HAD NEVER BEEN FIRED. SHE MADE COMMENT ABOUT POSSIBLE
NEED OF ASSISTANCE OR INSTRUCTION IN FIRING OF WEAPON.
SHE CONVERSED WITH INDIVIDUAL SHE IDENTIFIED AS SIRHAN B.
SIRHAN, AND WHO WAS FIRING ON POSSIBLY EIGHTH OR NINTH
TARGET POSITION. SHE CALLED HIM OVER TO HER POSITION AND
HE ASSISTED HER IN FIRING HER WEAPON. ADVISED SIRHAN FIRED

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APPROXIMATELY EIGHTEEN SHOTS WITH HER GUN AND SHE FIRED FEW ROUNDS WITH GUN BELONGING TO SIRHAN, WHICH SHE RECALLS WAS SMALL "CUTE GUN". SHE COULD NOT RECALL MAKE OF WEAPON. CONVERSATION WITH SIRHAN WAS LIMITED TO DISCUSSION ABOUT GUNS AND FIRING OF WEAPONS. ADVISED SHE AND HUSBAND STAYED ON RANGE TO CLOSING AT FIVE PM AND OBSERVED SIRHAN LEAVING AT THAT TIME. WILLIAMS SAW NO ONE WITH SIRHAN. WILLIAMS IS BLONDE AND WAS WEARING HER HAIR SHOULDER LENGTH THE DAY SHE WAS AT RANGE. DESCRIPTION OF WILLIAMS MATCHES DESCRIPTION OF BLONDE WOMAN WITH SHOULDER LENGTH HAIR DESCRIBED BY BUCKNER AS TALKING TO SIRHAN SIRHAN. PHOTOGRAPHS OF WILLIAMS WILL BE DISPLAYED TO BUCKNER.

HUSBAND OF CLAUDIA WILLIAMS, WHO ACCOMPANIED HER
TO RANGE, ALSO BEING INTERVIEWED AND RESULTS WILL BE
FURNISHED BUREAU.

INFORMATION REGARDING FAMILY
OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN LOCAL PRESS TODAY THAT

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KENNEDY, WAS FIGHTING DEPORTATION ORDER ISSUED AGAINST
HIM AS RESULT OF CONVICTION OF FELONY NARCOTIC CHARGES.
THIS DEPORTATION ORDER, ACCORDING TO INS SOURCES,
ISSUED IN SIXTY SIX, BUT WAS APPEALED BY MUNIR TO BOARD
OF IMMIGRATION APPEALS, WASHINGTON, WHICH HAS NOW
BEGUN PROCESS OF REVIEWING APPEAL. APPEAL BASED ON
ARGUMENT MUNIR WAS JUVENILE AT TIME OF CONVICTION AND
CONVICTION HAD BEEN SET ASIDE FOR THIS REASON.

MISCELLANEOUS

ARTICLE IN LOCAL PRESS TODAY REFLECTING THAT A
CRESPIN GONZALEZ WAS BEING HELD BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES
AND THAT HE CLAIMED HE MET SIRHAN B. SIRHAN IN PUBLIC
LIBRARY IN CALIFORNIA AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM HOW KENNEDYS
WERE GAINING DICTATORIAL POWERS. ARTICLE RELATES THAT
USA'S OFFICE IN EL PASO STATED FBI WAS INVESTIGATING THE
BOY'S CLAIM THOROUGHLY, BUT THAT MEXICAN AUTHORITIES
DID NOT TAKE CLAIM SERIOUSLY. THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN
DETERMINED TO BE COMPLETELY FALSE AND BUREAU HAS BEEN
PREVIOUSLY ADVISED BY LOS ANGELES CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

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INFORMATION FURNISHED BY JOHN FAHEY CONCERNING ACTIVITY, AMBASSADOR HOTEL, JUNE FOUR LAST.

JOHN FAHEY WAS INTERVIEWED BY SGTS. MC GANN AND OLSTEEN OF LAPD, BOTH OF WHOM ARE ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL TASK FORCE INVESTIGATING KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. INVESTIGATION CONTINUES IN VICINITY OF AMBASSADOR HOTEL AND KENMORE - OLYMPIC DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY BLONDE WOMAN DESCRIBED BY FAHEY. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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FBI ST LOUIS

10:15 AM URGENT 6-21-68 DCJ

TO: DIRECTOR AND WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM: SAC. ST. LOUIS (44-782)

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RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE JUNE EIGHTEEN LAST.

TERRANCE O'CONNOR, DIRECTOR MEN'S DORMITORY, ST. LOUIS

UNIVERSITY, THREE SIX THREE ZERO WEST PINE BLVD., ADVISED JUNE

TWENTYONE INSTANT HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY RECORD WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL USING NAME SAMIR MAKHALAF EVER LIVED THERE. LOGICAL

INVESTIGATION HAS FAILED TO LOCATE THIS INDIVIDUAL. IT WOULD

SEEM SOMEONE ELSE IS USING THE NAME AS AN AKA. BECAUSE THERE

WERE NO SPECIFIC STATEMENTS RE KENSALT MADE, BUT ONLY AN IMPLIED

INTERPRETATION GIVEN BY BARTENDER BOW WISE, ST. LOUIS WILL CONDUCT

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION OTHER THAN TO ALERT WISE TO ADVISE ST.

LOUIS SHOULD KLALAF COME TO THE PLAYBOY CLUB IN THE FUTURE.

FOR INFO WFO AND LA, RE TELETYPE SET OUT INTERVIEW WITH JUN 24 1968
ABDULAZEZ KHALAF, ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY STUDENT, WHO DENIED HE WAS
EVER IN PLAYBOY CLUB.

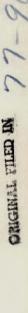
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RUSSELL E. PARSONS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

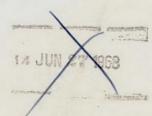
REBUTELCAL TO LOS ANGELES TODAY.

FILE CAPTIONED "RUSSELL EDWARD PARSONS, AKA LESTER HARRIS DEPARTMENTAL APPLICANT", LOS ANGELES FILE SEVEN SEVEN - TWO ZERO EIGHT, BUFILE SEVEN SEVEN - NINE ZERO SIX ZERO, DESTROYED IN LOS ANGELES OFFICE.

THE RUSSELL E. PARSONS DEFENDING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN IS
NATIVE OF LOS ANGELES AND, ACCORDING TO MARTINDALE HUBDDLL, WAS
BORN IN EIGHTEEN NINETY FIVE. INFORMATION IN LOCAL PRESS TODAY
REFLECTS PARSONS BORN IN DOWNTOWN AREA LOS ANGELES, SON OF HARRY
PARSONS, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER, AND LILLIAN BLACKBURN PARSONS,
NATIVE OF PETALUMA, SONOMA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

PARSONS ATTENDED LOCAL GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, LOS ANGELES HIGH
SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, BOTH UNDERGRADUATE
AND LAW SCHOOLS.





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PARSONS FIRST EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC OFFICE WAS HIS ELECTION AS COUNTY ATTORNEY OF BEAVER COUNTY, UTAH, IN NINETEEN SEVENTEEN.

HE-U-RECOVER

-RVED TWO TWO-YEAR TERMS AND ALSO SERVED AS CITY ATTORNEY FOR BEAVER CITY.

HE RETURNED TO LOS ANGELES IN MID THIRTIES TO PRACTICE LAW
AND HAS BECOME NATIONALLY KNOWN AS TRIAL LAWYER IN AREA OF CRIMINAL
LAW. MADE LEGAL HISTORY IN CALIFORNIA AS ATTORNEY WHO GOT STATE
SUPREME COURT TO RULE THAT EVIDENCE ILLEGALLY SEIZED BY POLICE
OFFICERS CANNOT BE USED AGAINST DEFENDANT IN CRIMINAL CASE. THIS
WAS KNOWN AS CAHAN DECISION.

IN NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, PARSONS JOINED LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WHERE SERVED AS TOP PROSECUTOR ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL CYTES.

IN NINETEEN FIFTY HE PERMITTED NAME TO BE ENTERED AS "PEOPLE'S CANDIDATE" IN MAYORALTY RECALL ELECTION AGAINST MAYOR FLETCHER BOWRON., RECALL FAILED.

PARSONS IN RECENT YEARS HAS DEVOTED HIS TIME TO PRACTICE OF BOTH CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES, WITH OFFICES AT TWO ZERO FIVE SOUTH BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES.

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1018PM URGENT 6/21/68 RSH
TO DIRECTOR AND DETROIT
FROM CHICAGO (88-12083)

ROBERT VANCE WALTON, AKA - FUGITIVE; ET AL
UFAP - MURDER OO:CHICAGO

RE CHICAGO TEL BUREAU AND DETROIT, JUNE TWENTY, LAST; CHICAGO AIRTEL DETROIT JUNE TWENTY, LAST, CHICAGO AIRTEL BUREAU (LAB) INSTANT.

ON JUNE TWENTY, LAST, ONE ALBERT W. JOHNSON, N/M,

AGE TWENTY FIVE, INTERVIEWED COOK COUNTY JAIL, CG.

JOHNSON LONG TIME ACQUAINTANCE WALTON FAMILY. STATED

LARRY WALTON RECENT CELLMATE, COOK COUNTY JAIL, TOLD HIM

BROTHERS ROBERT AND MICHAEL PAID FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO

KILL VICTIM THIS CASE BY ONE "BIG MIKE", W/M, ARAB

EXTRACTION, OPERATOR MIKES LIQUOR STORE, FORTY THIRD

AND FORESTVILLE, CG. JOHNSON FURTHER ALLEGES "BIG MIKE"

OFFERED HIM AND ONE PAUL GEORGE, N/M, FIVE HUNDRED DILLARS

YEAR AGO FOLLOWING ARAB-ISRAELI SIX DAY WAR, TO KILL

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UNIDENTIFIED PERSON. INVESTIGATION INSTANT DATE, CHICAGO, IDENTIFIES "BIG MIKE" AS MUHAMAD MUSTAFA, JORDANIAN IMMIGRANT, THIRTEEN YEARS IN US, AND OWNER MIKES LIQUOR STORE.

YUSUF KHUDAIR ELJABA, VICTIMS NEPHEW AND FORMER
BUSINESS PARTNER, ADVISED VICTIM'S SON, RAWHI
RAYYAN AND MUSTAFA'S DAUGHTER, NAME UNKNOWN, MARRIED
FIVE YEARS, RESULT CONTACT ARRANGED BETWEEN FAMILIES.
VICTIM'S SON LEFT WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN TWO YEARS AGO,
PRESENTLY RESIDING ECUADOR. NEPHEW INDICATED VICTIM'S
SON'S ACTION UNPARDONABLE OFFENSE ACCORDING JORDANIAN
TRADITION.

VICTIM AND SON THREATENED SEVERAL TIMES IN PAST BY MUSTAFA BASED ON MARRIAGE FAILURE.

ABOVE INFO INDICATES FAMILY DIFFICULTY IN VIOLATION JORDANIAN TRADITION MOTIVE INSTANT KILLING, RATHER THAN REACTION KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DEFINITELY ESTABLISH MOTIVE AND TO LOCATE SUBJECTS.

ARMED AND DANGERUOS. "

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