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JENHANGIR (JOHN) DORDI, 176 North Michigan Avenue, Apartment 3, Pasadena, California (telephone 795-2033), advised that he came to the United States from Bombay, India, approximately five years ago. He stated that he attended Pasadena City College (PCC) from 1963 to 1965. He advised that he is presently employed as a salesman for Stenocord Dictation Company, 3755 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California (telephone 666-4600) and furnished information as follows:

DORDI stated that he has never known SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN by name. He explained that while attending PCC, he came to know many foreign students through social activities and noted that some of the foreign students were Arabs. He stated that after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's assassination, he has become aware of the identity of SIRHAN and explained that he now realized that he had seen him on several occasions at PCC. He noted, however, that he has never known him by name, has never associated with him, and has never had a conversation with him.

DORDI recalled that in late March, 1968, he attended the races at Santa Anita with an associate, GAYMOARD MISTRY, who is likewise from Bombay, India. DORDI noted that MISTRY also attended PCC and recalled that he and MISTRY saw SIRHAN by chance at the races. He pointed out, however, that although they recognized SIRHAN by sight and had a conversation with him, the conversation was solely about the races and nothing more. DORDI noted that he believes this date was the last day of the season at Santa Anita although he was not certain.

He concluded by noting that he has absolutely no information concerning SIRHAN other than that set forth above.

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CLARENCE COPPING, 2747 Morningside, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

COPPING advised that he operated the Elite Motor Service, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California, for twenty-nine years prior to selling out his business to JACK DAVIES in September 1964. COPPING advised that he is presently retired.

COPPING went on to say that on March 30, 1964, he employed one SIRHAN SIRHAN who worked for him at the Elite Motor Service until September 14, 1964. COPPING advised that SIRHAN was an outstanding employee, excellent worker, and never had any friends hanging around the station. He advised that during the time SIRHAN was employed by him, he worked the 4:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. shift alone and that none of the other employees would have known anything about SIRHAN. He advised that during his association with SIRHAN at no time did SIRHAN ever express any of his political views or nationalistic leanings or for that matter, any of his views. He advised that while SIRHAN was employed at his station, he resided with a family by the name of WILLIAM BEVERIDGE who resided at 167 North Sierra Madre, Pasadena, California. COPPING advised that SIRHAN stayed with the BEVERIDGES and that this family would probably know him better than anyone else. He advised that before SIRHAN terminated employment with him, he had moved from the BEVERIDGE residence to his mother's address at 696 East Howard, Pasadena, California.

COPPING further advised that he could not furnish anything derogatory concerning SIRHAN and that when he was notified that SIRHAN was the person suspected of shooting Senator KENNEDY, it was very hard for him to believe.

COPPING then furnished the following individuals who might have known or been associated with SIRHAN:

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WILLIAM BEVERIDGE
167 North Sierra Madre
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WAYNE J. BRANTLEY
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Mr. WILLIAM BEVERIDGE, 167 North Sierra Madre Boulevard, advised that he is self-employed doing garden jobbing work. He became acquainted with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in 1961 or 1962. He stated that he does not recall how SIRHAN came to him, but that during this period he was using young boys in connection with his gardening work and SIRHAN did come to him for such employment. During the next three years, SIRHAN worked for him on a part-time basis, as work was available, and as SIRHAN wanted work. During the first part of this period, it was BEVERIDGE's understanding that SIRHAN was attending Muir High School in Pasadena, and was living with his mother at some address on East Howard Street. He subsequently left Muir High School and did some studying at Pasadena High School located on Sierra Madre Boulevard. It was BEVERIDGE's belief that this was high school study rather than on a college level.

BEVERIDGE advised that it was his understanding that SIRHAN's father had originally been in this country, but had returned to Palestine by himself. SIRHAN's mother stayed in this country, and in addition he had two brothers and possibly one sister in this country. One brother was a painter by the name of JOE. The other brother was a musician; however, BEVERIDGE did not know his name. It was also his impression that the sister may have died sometime during the time he knew SIRHAN.

In about 1963, SIRHAN had some type of difficulty with his family. It was BEVERIDGE's impression that this arose from a fight between SIRHAN and his brother, JOE, which resulted in the Pasadena Police Department being called because of the disturbance. Because of this fight, SIRHAN left his family's residence and lived for several weeks in a camper owned by BEVERIDGE and parked at his residence. After BEVERIDGE found out that it was illegal to have someone stay in the camper, SIRHAN moved to a house owned by BEVERIDGE at 234 North Carmello, Pasadena. BEVERIDGE was in the process of renovating

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this house and SIRHAN stayed there by himself. This house has subsequently been torn down.

In early 1964, SIRHAN started work at the gas station located at the intersection of Foothill and Altadena Drive. BEVERIDGE last saw him during the period he was working at this gas station and estimated that this would have been three to four years ago.

BEVERIDGE advised that he does not have any information concerning any associates of SIRHAN other than he was friendly with one of the employees of the above service station who left this area to enter military service.

BEVERIDGE described SIRHAN as a quiet boy, who talked very little about his past or his family. He was quiet, wellmannered, and studied very hard. He did not discuss politics and did not in any way express resentment toward any individual or any group. He appeared to like the United States and enjoyed living in this country. At no time did he display any temperament or show violence.

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WAYNE J. ~~BRANTLEY~~, 319 South Violet Street, Apartment E, Monrovia, California, ~~advised that he is employed by the Berteau Corporation, Irvine Ranch, California.~~ *B. APPROX 1946*

BRANTLEY stated that he was acquainted with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN for approximately a six month period in 1963, during which time they became close friends. At that time, BRANTLEY was 17 years old and was employed at the service station located at the intersection of Foothill and Altadena Drive, owned by CLARENCE ~~COPPING~~. BRANTLEY worked during the late evening and early morning hours at this station. Sometime during the middle of 1963, possibly in June or July, COPPING introduced him to SIRHAN. BRANTLEY stated that he does not know how COPPING and SIRHAN became acquainted, or what connection they have with each other. At the time this occurred, it was BRANTLEY's understanding that SIRHAN was attending Pasadena City College, and was doing part-time evening work at Peak's Hamburger House (now known as Taco Treat), located near the intersection of Halstead and Foothill Boulevard in Pasadena. It was BRANTLEY's belief that at this time SIRHAN was probably about 19 years old. From the time that he met him, until the time that BRANTLEY left the service station in December 1963, to enter the Armed Services, SIRHAN made it a practice to come to the service station and stay with BRANTLEY for several hours each evening. *CALL*

BRANTLEY stated that he left the service station in December 1963, and did not return to the California area until December 1966. At that time, he asked COPPING if he knew where SIRHAN was, and COPPING stated that he did not know what SIRHAN was doing but had heard that he had gotten a job at the Santa Anita Race Track as a jockey or horse trainer. BRANTLEY made no other effort to contact SIRHAN and consequently has not seen him or heard from him since December 1963.

BRANTLEY stated that during the period he knew SIRHAN, SIRHAN was living in a camper located at the

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residence of Mr. BEVERIDGE, on North Sierra Madre Boulevard. SIRHAN indicated that he was living apart from his family because of some family trouble, but he did not discuss this any further.

BRANTLEY stated that he did not meet any of the SIRHAN family, but recalls SIRHAN talking about his parents so he assumed that both his father and mother were living in this area. He also made passing reference to a brother by the name of JOE; however, BRANTLEY did not recall anything specifically said about JOE. There was no reference made about SIRHAN having a sister. SIRHAN did talk about an uncle who still lived in Jerusalem. In this connection, BRANTLEY stated that SIRHAN told him that he came to this country with his family from Jerusalem several years ago. He claimed to be Arabian, but did not make reference to any Arabic nationality.

BRANTLEY advised that he considered SIRHAN to be a very intelligent individual. He spoke English with a slight accent and indicated a knowledge of Arabic. He also could at least read German, since on one occasion he interpreted a letter written in German which BRANTLEY's brother had received from a girl friend in Germany.

BRANTLEY stated that throughout his contact with SIRHAN, they did not discuss politics or involvement of this country in other parts of the world. Their topics of conversation were limited to normal interests of young teenagers, including talk about girls; however, at no time did SIRHAN indicate that he had a particular girl friend. SIRHAN did not indicate any emotional disturbance over the situation in Israel, and no particular animosity toward any individual or group. When he did talk about Jerusalem, it was related to graphic description of the physical lay out of the country and the customs of the people. SIRHAN appeared to be very satisfied with his life in this country and appreciative of the manner of living and his acceptance in this country.

BRANTLEY stated that he has seen recent pictures of SIRHAN. The only difference noticed was that during the period BRANTLEY knew SIRHAN, he wore a thick, dark mustache.

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BRANTLEY stated that he cannot suggest anyone else who would have further knowledge of SIRHAN, adding that he did not meet any of SIRHAN's friends or introduce him to anyone to whom SIRHAN became friendly.

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JACK DAVIES, owner Jack Davies Richfield Service Station, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

DAVIES advised that SIRHAN SIRHAN began working for him at the station on September 28, 1964, and terminated this employment on June 7, 1965. DAVIES advised that SIRHAN worked at this same Richfield Station for one CLARENCE COPPING, who had previously owned the service station prior to DAVIES purchasing this station.

DAVIES advised that SIRHAN was an excellent worker and never caused any trouble around the station, was friendly to the customers, and seemed dedicated to his work.

DAVIES advised that during the time SIRHAN was employed at his station, he worked the night shift alone and was an excellent employee due to the fact that he was a loner and never had any friends; therefore, there were never groups of boys hanging around the service station while SIRHAN was on duty. He advised that SIRHAN never made friends with anyone at the service station and never expressed any of his political views or nationalistic beliefs to him.

DAVIES advised that he never saw SIRHAN with any girls and the only thing he recalls about SIRHAN was that he enjoyed going to the horse races at Santa Anita and he always got the impression that SIRHAN bet most of his salary on the horses. He advised that SIRHAN once mentioned that he would like to become a jockey and if he ever started any type of conversation at the station, it was concerning horses that were running at Santa Anita.

He advised that SIRHAN was very polite to the customers, attentive, showed an outstanding personality, and one of the best employees that has worked for him since he took over the Richfield Station.

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He advised that approximately two months ago, SIRHAN came by his station on a Sunday and he helped SIRHAN tune up his 1956 DeSoto. He advised at this time he noticed no change in SIRHAN. He advised that during this time while SIRHAN was at the station, no conversation developed other than SIRHAN mentioned to him that his automobile had not been running for the past couple of months and that he had not purchased license plates for this automobile and that license plates currently on the automobile belong to his brother.

DAVIES advised that he never met any of SIRHAN's relatives nor at anytime while SIRHAN was employed by him did any of his friends come to the station.

DAVIES advised that IVAN MILICIC, who runs the Chevron Station across the street from his business, once needed some help in 1965 and SIRHAN worked for MILICIC approximately two weeks.

DAVIES advised that the last time he saw SIRHAN was on June 3, 1968, at approximately 11:00 a.m. when SIRHAN drove into his station to get gas. He advised that at this time, he was talking on the telephone and he noticed that SIRHAN had waved to him. He advised that SIRHAN waited on himself by putting the gasoline into his car and gave the money to SIDNEY MC DANIEL, an employee of the service station and SIRHAN drove off before DAVIES could speak to him.

DAVIES advised that although several of his customers may have known SIRHAN to see him, he is certain no one knew him well. DAVIES advised that he did not notice any difference in SIRHAN the past few months and he did not seem to change any since he was employed at the Richfield Service Station.

DAVIES went on to say that when he saw the picture of the suspected assassin of Senator KENNEDY on television, he immediately identified this individual as SIRHAN, who was employed by him and he further stated that it was hard for him to believe that SIRHAN could do this type of thing.

DAVIES then furnished the following names of individuals who might have known SIRHAN:

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91 Eloise
Pasadena, California

CLARENCE COPPING
2747 Morningside
Pasadena, California

TOM BLESSING
12700 Elliot
El Monte, California

ROGER MOORE
Duarte, California

CHESTER ADAM YASHUK
2450 White Street
Pasadena, California

CAROL LAMBRECHT
Exact address unknown
Telephone 966-1867

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SIDNEY MC DANIEL, home address 91 Eloise, Pasadena, California, employee Jack Davies Richfield Service Station, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, furnished the following information:

MC DANIEL advised that he first met SIRHAN SIRHAN in 1965 when he started working for JACK DAVIES at the Richfield Station. He advised that he knew SIRHAN to speak to him and that he would usually speak to SIRHAN when he came by the station for gasoline but never knew SIRHAN socially. MC DANIEL advised that he never at anytime saw SIRHAN with anyone and when he did see SIRHAN, he would always be alone. He went on to say that SIRHAN seemed to have a fine personality, was a good worker, was quite friendly and polite, but appeared to be a loner and a person who appeared to want to be left alone.

MC DANIEL advised that he never met any of SIRHAN's family and he always felt that SIRHAN was a foreigner but he never knew what country he was from. He advised that SIRHAN once mentioned to him that he liked to play the horses and his ambition was to work at a race track and maybe even become a jockey. He advised that SIRHAN once fell from a horse and was injured but he does not recall where the incident occurred or the exact date. He advised at no time during any conversations with SIRHAN did SIRHAN ever express any of his views. He advised that SIRHAN never spoke politically and at no time did he ever talk of violence or for that matter seem to be a violent person.

MC DANIEL went on to say that on June 3, 1968, at approximately 10:30 a.m., SIRHAN came into the Richfield Station and purchased gas for his 1956 De Soto, SIRHAN spoke briefly to him just to say hello and waved to Mr. DAVIES and then drove off.

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MC DANIEL advised that SIRHAN did not seem any different to him on June 3, 1968, than he had in the past. MC DANIEL further advised that when he saw SIRHAN's picture on the television as being the man who had shot Senator KENNEDY, it was hard for him to believe that SIRHAN could do this.

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THOMAS EDWARD BLESSING, home address 145 South Sierra Madre, Pasadena, California, was interviewed at his place of employment, Jack Davies Richfield Service Station, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California, and furnished the following information:

BLESSING advised that he has been employed at the Jack Davies Richfield Service Station for approximately one and one-half months, since he moved to California from Saginaw, Michigan. BLESSING advised that he never worked with SIRHAN SIRHAN but that he met SIRHAN approximately four or five times, when SIRHAN would come into the service station to purchase gasoline. BLESSING went on to say that he did not know SIRHAN by name, but, the morning after Senator KENNEDY was shot, JACK DAVIES, Owner of the Richfield Station, told him that SIRHAN was the individual who had previously worked for him and was the same person who used to come in and buy gasoline. BLESSING further stated that when SIRHAN would come into the station in his 1956 pink DeSoto, they would sometimes talk about automobiles. He advised that approximately three weeks ago while SIRHAN was at the service station, he asked SIRHAN if he knew anyone who had a good automobile for sale because he needed transportation. BLESSING advised that SIRHAN told him that he was planning on trading cars and, if he did trade for another car, he would give BLESSING his old car, being a 1956 pink DeSoto.

BLESSING advised that SIRHAN was a very polite individual and friendly. He told BLESSING that he understood that BLESSING had a family and with the salary he was making at this service station, he realized it was hard to support a family on these wages. Therefore, if he did purchase a new car, he would give BLESSING his pink DeSoto.

BLESSING advised that the last time he saw SIRHAN was on Monday, June 3, 1968, exact time unknown, when SIRHAN came into the Jack Davies Richfield Gas Station. He advised

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that SIRHAN waited on himself and after he had put the gas in his automobile, he waved to JACK DAVIES, Owner of the Richfield Station, and said "hello" to BLESSING and drove off. BLESSING advised that SIDNEY MC DANIEL took the money for SIRHAN's purchase of the gasoline on this date.

BLESSING added that he was surprised when SIRHAN offered him his 1956 DeSoto if he traded cars because he had only known SIRHAN for approximately one month and had actually only seen him four or five times at the most. He advised that during the short period he knew SIRHAN even though he did not know him by name, SIRHAN never discussed any of his political views or nationalistic learnings or, for that matter, never expressed any of his views.

BLESSING advised that he never met any of SIRHAN's relatives or friends and the only time he saw SIRHAN was when he would come into the filling station for gasoline and at no time was anyone with SIRHAN. He added that although SIRHAN was friendly and polite, he appeared to be a loner.

BLESSING further advised that on at least two occasions, he had a chance to look into the automobile, the 1956 DeSoto, belonging to SIRHAN due to the fact that SIRHAN had offered to give him this vehicle if he traded cars and. at no time did he observe any weapon, ammunition, or anything, for that matter, which would lead a person to believe SIRHAN would do this type of thing.

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CHESTER ADAM YASHUK was interviewed at his residence, 2450 White Street. His telephone number is 795-4895, and he is a student at Pasadena City College.

From March 1965, through December 1967, YASHUK was employed at the Jack Davies Richfield Service Station, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California. YASHUK stated that from March 1965 until November or December 1965, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was employed at this station. YASHUK advised that he worked on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5:00 p.m. until midnight and on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. SIRHAN would relieve him at work on Sunday at 4:00 p.m., and SIRHAN would spend his off evenings hanging around the service station. YASHUK stated he knew SIRHAN fairly well, had coffee with him a couple of times away from work, however, his association with SIRHAN was limited to contacts at the service station. He never spent any time with SIRHAN other than the two times he had coffee with him away from work. YASHUK described SIRHAN as being friendly and carefree, having a good personality and he added that SIRHAN got along well with all customers.

YASHUK recalled that in 1965 while SIRHAN was working at the station he would often point out his pink and white 1956 De Soto and would ask the question, "do I go well with this car?" And he would ask YASHUK, "do you think the car is too big for me?"

According to YASHUK, SIRHAN stated that he lived with his aunt and brother however the names and addresses were never stated. SIRHAN stated he had a sister who lived in Jerusalem, her name was not stated, and he wanted to bring her to the United States. SIRHAN also claimed to know several languages and indicated that he wanted to be an interpreter.

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YASHUK stated that to his knowledge SIRHAN did not drink or use profane language and he does not know of SIRHAN having any friends. SIRHAN was never visited at the station by anyone. YASHUK advised that SIRHAN never expressed any political feelings or dislike for anyone.

YASHUK recalled that a CAROL LAMBRECHT managed the station in 1965. LAMBRECHT would often assign to SIRHAN the duties of cleaning out the restrooms. LAMBRECHT would inspect the restrooms for cleanliness and would often accuse SIRHAN of not cleaning the restrooms. SIRHAN would become excited and explain, "I did, you are lying to me."

YASHUK recalled that SIRHAN never borrowed money from any employees at the station and he appeared to spend his money on clothes. SIRHAN on one occasion mentioned that he had purchased two pair of pants which cost \$25.00 apiece. YASHUK cannot recall from what clothing store SIRHAN purchased the clothing. YASHUK advised that SIRHAN wore "continental style" clothes, and that he wore tight pants.

YASHUK recalled that in 1965 a security company named Hough Security Company provided evening security for the station. YASHUK stated around midnight the days' cash would be placed in the station safe and a security guard from the Hough Company would provide protection at the station when the money was placed in the safe. YASHUK advised that one guard in particular with this company was a very profane individual and on one occasion SIRHAN stated to this guard to tone down his profanity. The guard was upset by SIRHAN's statement and offered to fight SIRHAN, however, SIRHAN became very meek and would not fight this guard.

YASHUK advised that approximately one and one-half weeks ago on a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon, he was driving by the Davies Richfield Station and he observed SIRHAN's

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1956 pink and white De Soto in the station. YASHUK stated that he stopped in the station and he observed SIRHAN working on his car. He said "hello" to SIRHAN and SIRHAN said "hi" and mentioned that he was having ignition trouble with his car. SIRHAN said nothing else to him and YASHUK did not say anything further to SIRHAN.

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CAROL OSWALD LAMBRECHT, home address 1045 North Azusa, Covina, California, Space 193, Trailer Court, was interviewed at his place of employment, Gene Sell's Shell, 5505 North Rosemead, Pasadena, California, and furnished the following information:

LAMBRECHT advised that during 1965 and 1966, he was employed at the Jack Davies Richfield Service Station, 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California, and, during this time, he worked approximately one year with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. LAMBRECHT went on to say that SIRHAN always worked the night shift during the time he was employed at Jack Davies Richfield and LAMBRECHT never worked on the same shift with SIRHAN.

LAMBRECHT advised that during the time he worked at Jack Davies Richfield Station, he never had any political discussions or, for that matter, any type of discussions with SIRHAN. He advised that SIRHAN was polite and friendly to the customers, a good worker and did not seem to have many friends. LAMBRECHT advised that when he worked at the Jack Davies Richfield Station, he was the manager and advised that during the early part of 1966, he drove by the station one evening while SIRHAN was working and noticed SIRHAN talking to two females and a man, all unknown to him, and they were standing near the Coke machine. LAMBRECHT stated that he did not stop at the station and, at the time, felt as if these three might possibly have been friends of SIRHAN. The next morning when he came on duty to relieve SIRHAN, he kidded SIRHAN about driving by the night before and seeing him talking to the girls and mentioned to SIRHAN something to the effect that, "That's why the station wasn't cleaned up. You were too busy visiting." LAMBRECHT went on to say that at this time, SIRHAN said, "I don't care to work for you any more. I quit." LAMBRECHT added that it was very possible that the three individuals he observed on this occasion to be talking to SIRHAN were only customers of the station and actually not known by SIRHAN, and, since SIRHAN

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was a very good worker and took pride in his work, this may have been the reason why he got mad and quit.

LAMBRECHT advised that SIRHAN never did go back to work at Jack Davies Richfield while he was working there and the last time he saw SIRHAN was sometime during August or September 1966, when SIRHAN drove into the service station for gasoline. LAMBRECHT related that he never knew any of SIRHAN's friends and, in fact, never saw him with anyone and it was hard for him to believe SIRHAN could do this type of thing, referring to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY

LAMBRECHT further advised that he is also employed at the Non-Destructive Testing (NDT) Apparatus Supply and Sales, 7829 Industry, Pico Rivera, California. He stated that he works in the X-Ray and Service Department and can be reached at this address, telephone Number 723-0741, during the week and, on the weekend, he can be reached at Gene Sell's Shell, 5505 North Rosemead, Pasadena.

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IVAN MILICIC, 233 North Altadena Drive, Pasadena, California, owner Ivan Milicic Chevron Station, advised that during 1965, SIRHAN SIRHAN worked for him for a month. He advised that SIRHAN was a very good worker and did an excellent job operating his service station. He advised that SIRHAN would usually work the evening shift alone and that he never had any lengthy conversations with SIRHAN and at no time can he recall SIRHAN expressing his political views or any of his beliefs for that matter. He advised that to his knowledge, no one ever visited SIRHAN during the month he worked at the Chevron Station and stated that SIRHAN appeared to him to be a loner and a person who actually did not have very many friends.

MILICIC advised that he last saw SIRHAN on June 3, 1968, at Jack Davies Richfield Service Station across the street from his business. He advised that on this date, SIRHAN had pulled into the Richfield Service Station and appeared to be getting gas in his automobile. He advised that he was standing in the driveway of his business and SIRHAN waved to him as he left the Richfield Service Station.

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VARTAN MALIAN, Foothill Liquors, 2547 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California, advised that SIRHAN SIRHAN used to come into his business when he worked at the Richfield Service Station located at 2529 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California.

MALIAN advised that he never knew SIRHAN personally and never carried on any type of conversation with SIRHAN. He advised that several of the employees who worked at the Richfield Service Station would come into his business for either cigarettes or candy but none of them actually became friendly or talked freely to him.

He advised that after seeing a photograph of SIRHAN on television, he realized that this was the individual who used to work at the Richfield Service Station in 1964.

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JOHN H. WEIDNER, residence, 933 Country Road, Monterey Park, California, 573-4947, business, Organic-Pasadena, 1330 North Lake Avenue, Pasadena, California (SY 4-3349), was interviewed at his place of employment and furnished the following information:

He is the owner of Organic-Pasadena, a health food store, as well as owner of two other health food stores, namely Monterey Nutrition, 105 North Garfield, Monterey Park, California, and Nutriville, 7322 East Florence, Downey, California.

He employed SIRHAN SIRHAN, Social Security Number [REDACTED] as a stock boy at the Organic-Pasadena store from September 24, 1967, through March 7, 1968. During this time, SIRHAN resided with his mother, at 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, which residence is located several blocks from the Organic-Pasadena store.

SIRHAN's work as a stock boy consisted of stacking shelves, handling fresh vegetables as they arrived daily at the store, make deliveries to WEIDNER's store in Monterey Park and Downey, California, and occasionally taking money to the bank. WEIDNER indicated that SIRHAN's mother was a regular customer at the Organic-Pasadena store, as was SIRHAN's sister (whose name he believes is ADIA SIRHAN). SIRHAN's younger brother, MUNIR SIRHAN, worked as a stock boy at the Organic-Pasadena store for one or two weeks approximately three years ago.

Two or three months prior to September 1967, SIRHAN's mother asked WEIDNER if he could get a job for her son, SIRHAN SIRHAN. In mid September 1967, WEIDNER had an opening for a stock boy at the Pasadena store, and on September 24, 1967, SIRHAN SIRHAN came to work at this location. SIRHAN worked from Sunday through Friday

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and was paid \$2.00 an hour by WEIDNER. WEIDNER stated that he felt SIRHAN was completely honest, and he believes that SIRHAN may have at one time had a key to the Organic-Pasadena store for the purpose of opening the store early on Sunday mornings to prepare a fresh fruit and vegetable stand.

WEIDNER described SIRHAN as a capable employee who got along well with the other employees, and who always presented a neat appearance and was courteous to the customers. WEIDNER noted, however, that SIRHAN seemed to resent being told what to do, and on occasion became aggressive and bad tempered with WEIDNER. In this respect, WEIDNER received the impression that SIRHAN resented authority and discipline, and had an "inferiority complex" resulting from his being physically small.

WEIDNER advised that the following employees at the Organic-Pasadena store and his stores in Monterey Park and Downey, California, would have been acquainted with SIRHAN:

RETTA DRAKE, 2516 Strethmore, Rosemead, California, who managed the Organic-Pasadena store for WEIDNER from February 25, 1963, through March 7, 1963, quitting on the same date as SIRHAN.

WEIDNER described DRAKE as approximately 35 years of age and noted that both DRAKE and SIRHAN filed a petition for wages due against WEIDNER with the Labor Commissioner, Division of Labor Law Enforcement, Room 5015, Los Angeles State Office Building, 107 South Broadway, Los Angeles, in mid March 1963.

CAROL BURGESS (formerly known as CAROL STAGNER) who now resides with her husband who is in the Army and residing at NAD Quarters, JJ, Bangor, Washington, worked for WEIDNER at the Organic-Pasadena store in December and January 1963. WEIDNER believes BURGESS became quite friendly with SIRHAN. BURGESS is approximately 35 years of age.

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[REDACTED] 3757 East Guess, Rosemead, California, 17 or 18 years of age, worked approximately one month for WEIDNER in January 1963.

LOIS PALMER, 7347 East Blaudwood Road, Downey, California, who is still employed at WEIDNER's Downey store, namely Nutriville, 7822 Florence Avenue, Downey, California, would have had some contact with SIRHAN.

MARCIA GIROUARD, 73½ Fairview, Arcadia, California, who terminated her employment with WEIDNER in March 1963, worked at WEIDNER's stores in Pasadena and Downey, California, and would be acquainted with SIRHAN.

Other persons employed by WEIDNER who would be acquainted with SIRHAN include MARGARET V. ROLEN, 11005 Stockwell Drive, Lynwood, California, who now works at WEIDNER's Downey store; VIRGINIA LYTTLE, 11703 Samolini, Downey, California, who also works at Downey store; and ELSIE BOYKO, 1545 East Mountain Street, Pasadena, California, who works at the Pasadena store and who has been interviewed by the FBI.

SIRHAN never discussed his personal activities with WEIDNER and WEIDNER was not acquainted with any of SIRHAN's associates.

WEIDNER noted that SIRHAN would occasionally discuss politics in general, without ever referring to any particular politician or official. WEIDNER stated that from time to time SIRHAN would discuss Middle East affairs and would express a strong dislike for the State of Israel and Jewish people in general. According to WEIDNER, SIRHAN was exceptionally bitter about the United States support of the State of Israel during the hostilities between Israel and the Arab nations, as well as about Jordan's loss of territory to Israel. WEIDNER further recalled that SIRHAN once told him that when he (SIRHAN) was young he saw some Israelis killing Arab children; and that SIRHAN once told WEIDNER's wife, NAOMI WEIDNER, that he (SIRHAN) once witnessed several Israeli soldiers killing a defenseless Jordanian woman with a knife.

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WEIDNER continued that SIRHAN was very sympathetic to the poor people and appeared to resent affluence. According to WEIDNER, SIRHAN was also very sympathetic to the Negro race, and on one occasion when he (SIRHAN) and WEIDNER were discussing rioting in the Negro communities, SIRHAN indicated that he felt that violence was the only way Negroes could obtain their rights.

WEIDNER further recalled that on one occasion he asked SIRHAN if he were a United States citizen, and SIRHAN replied that he had not become an American citizen because there was no "liberty" in this country. On still another occasion, SIRHAN indicated to WEIDNER that he did not believe in God.

WEIDNER stated that on February 23, 1968, he told SIRHAN to make deliveries at the Downey and Monterey Park stores and to stop at one of the stores before the other. SIRHAN made the deliveries in reverse order, and when WEIDNER mentioned this to SIRHAN, SIRHAN became very angry and belligerent; called WEIDNER a liar and stalked out of the store, indicating that he was quitting the job. According to WEIDNER, SIRHAN re-appeared at the store several minutes after this incident and told WEIDNER that his (SIRHAN's) "conscience" would not let him continue his employment with WEIDNER, but that he would stay for two more weeks as per a prior oral notice of termination of employment agreement with WEIDNER.

WEIDNER and SIRHAN had another disagreement on or shortly before March 7, 1968, which disagreement arose when SIRHAN failed to cover the vegetable stand with paper bags as was customary at closing time. WEIDNER said that when he mentioned this incident to SIRHAN, SIRHAN again became extremely angry and defensive, accused WEIDNER of firing him, and again left the store in an angry mood. WEIDNER believes that during this argument with SIRHAN, he, (WEIDNER) called the Pasadena Police Department and that several police officers arrived and talked briefly with SIRHAN in the store parking lot before SIRHAN left by himself.

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In mid March 1963, WEIDNER received a notice to appear before the Labor Commissioner, Division of Labor, Law Enforcement, Los Angeles, regarding a petition filed by SIRHAN for unpaid wages. On March 20, 1963, WEIDNER and SIRHAN appeared before this Commissioner and a settlement was reached whereby WEIDNER was required to pay SIRHAN approximately \$150.00 for wages due and severance pay. WEIDNER noted, as previously mentioned, that RETTA DRAKE, a former store manager for WEIDNER at the Organic-Pasadena store, also filed a petition for unpaid wages with the Labor Commissioner and appeared at this location at the same time as SIRHAN. WEIDNER does not know whether SIRHAN and DRAKE previously agreed to petition the Labor Commissioner at the same time.

WEIDNER has not seen SIRHAN since March 20, 1963, the date of the above appearance before the Labor Commissioner.