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MARION LA MONTE JOHNSON, 618 South Hobart, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 10, (telephone number 389-1008), advised he has been employed as a bell boy at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, since February 3, 1967.

He advised on June 4, 1968, he worked the 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. shift and left for home at approximately 10:35 p.m.

He stated he had no knowledge concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until after he had arrived home that evening and watched the incident on television.

JOHNSON advised upon viewing a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, SIRHAN was unknown to him, and he did not recall ever having seen SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

JOHNSON furnished the following descriptive information concerning himself:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	Born November 14, 1916, at Ottumwa, Iowa
Height	5' 9"
Weight	155 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Social Security Number	

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IVO KASTELAN, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 17409 Septo Street, Northridge, phone 886-4760 advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

KASTELAN was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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MARGARET M. KENNEDY, 751 South Mariposa, Apartment 107, Los Angeles, California, (telephone number 381-1854), advised she has been employed as a cashier and food checker at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the past two years.

Mrs. KENNEDY advised that on June 4, 1968, she worked the 2:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. shift and actually left work for home at approximately 10:15 p.m.

She stated that she was not present at the hotel when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and could furnish no information concerning the incident.

She further advised that SIRHAN SIRHAN was unknown to her, and she could not recall ever having observed anyone resembling SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

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Mrs. JOSEPHINE MARGARET KILPATRICK, Waitress, Coffee Shop, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that she was not near the hotel on June 4, 1968, as she did not work. A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to KILPATRICK and she advised that she had never seen this individual at or about the hotel.

KILPATRICK is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	January 18, 1908 Omaha, Nebraska
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Marital Status	Married
Husband	WILEY CHARLES KILPATRICK
Residence	7501 Hampton Avenue Hollywood, California
Telephone No.	876-4739

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KEE MAN KIM, 864 South New Hampshire, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 4, advised he has been employed as a liquor checker at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, for the past 14 months.

KIM advised on June 4, 1968, he was working the 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. shift at the liquor service bar area, which is located adjacent to the main kitchen of the hotel.

He stated that the first knowledge he had concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was when INA LIBAN, a food checker, ran up to him and told him that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot in the kitchen.

KIM stated he did not go near the area and was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting.

He further advised that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to him, and he had never observed SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

KIM was described as follows:

Race	Oriental
Sex	Male
Birth Data	Born April 3, 1941, in Inchon, Korea
Height	5' 4"
Weight	128 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown

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On June 11, 1968, YGNASIO R. KLINE advised that he is employed as a bartender at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and was on duty during the evening of June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, on June 5, 1968. KLINE stated that he was tending bar in the Venetian Room on the main floor of the lobby of the hotel and was not aware of the shooting until approximately 12:30 AM, when Mr. SALCEDO entered the bar and made the announcement that Mr. KENNEDY had been shot and KLINE should close his bar.

KLINE stated that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, was not acquainted with him and had never heard this name before.

KLINE furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2801
Home Address	8214 Vantage Avenue, North Hollywood, California
Home Phone	RO 7-9976
Social Security No.	██████████
Birth Data	July 31, 1917, El Paso, Texas
Length of Employment at Ambassador Hotel	16 years

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MICHEL LAGUERRE, 916 South Normandie, Los Angeles, telephone number 386-5927, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, where he is employed as a waiter. He furnished the following information:

He was born January 5, 1943, at Port au Prince, Haiti. He is 5'8", weighs 144 pounds. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]. He has been in the United States since December, 1964 and has been employed at the Ambassador Hotel since October, 1967.

On June 4, 1968, he arrived at the hotel at approximately 5:00 PM and remained at the hotel working until approximately 2:30 AM on June 5, 1968. He was assigned as a waiter in the Embassy Room during most of this period.

While Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was making his victory speech in the Embassy Room he, LAGUERRE, was in the pantry area of the hotel drinking a cup of coffee and watching Senator KENNEDY's speech on a small television set. There were two girls dressed in KENNEDY outfits sitting on a table watching the events on television with him. He observed Senator KENNEDY on television complete his speech and leave the platform. A few moments later, Senator KENNEDY came through the doorway where he, LAGUERRE, was sitting. Senator KENNEDY was accompanied by a group of people. A few seconds after Senator KENNEDY passed him, he heard what he thought was a balloon exploding. He only recalls hearing the one explosion. Almost immediately, one of the girls dressed in the KENNEDY outfit began screaming and stating that the Senator had been shot. He looked around and saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor and also noticed another man who was lying on the floor.

At approximately the same time, he observed KARL UECKER, a head waiter at the hotel, struggling with a man on top of one of the steam tables in the room. He observed that the man was holding a gun in his hand, which hand not known, and that the gun was waving around. He did not observe this individual's face. There was considerable commotion in the room at that time.

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LAGUERRE stated that he did not observe any shots being fired. He did not at any time observe the man who was taken into custody by the Police following the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

Sometime during the day of June 5, 1968, he saw a newspaper photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN as being the one who was charged with shooting Senator KENNEDY. LAGUERRE stated that he does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN prior to observing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper. He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.

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JOHN G. LEFIN, Director of Banquets, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was in the hotel from 9:00 a.m. on June 4, 1968 to until 3:30 a.m. on June 5, 1968. LEFIN advised that he was in the Embassy Room frequently and that he was there when the shooting of Senator KENNEDY occurred in the adjacent main kitchen. LEFIN did not hear the shots, but only heard screaming. Following this incident he did not go into the kitchen, but tried to prevent people from entering the area. Following this, he arranged for getting an elevator for the removal of Senator KENNEDY.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to LEFIN and he advised he had never seen this individual before.

LEFIN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	April 7, 1940 at Munich, Germany
Residence	4526 Katherine Avenue Sherman Oaks, California
Telephone	788-5386

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LOUIS LEGAR, Steward, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire, advised that he resides at 758 South Ardmere Avenue, Los Angeles, and is in charge of the dishwashers at the Ambassador. On the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot he was walking up to the main floor from the kitchen and was told what happened after he saw numerous people rushing about, some toward the elevator yelling for an ambulance. He was not in the area of the shooting; however, he did see the Senator being carried out of the hotel. He stated that he never saw SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel nor did this individual ever seek employment as a dishwasher.

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FRANCISCO LEGASPI, 2877 West San Marino Street, Los Angeles, no telephone, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles where he is employed as a busboy. He furnished the following information:

He was born November 20, 1946 at Guadalajara, Mexico.

On June 4, 1968, he worked at the hotel from 8 AM to 4 PM and did not return until approximately 8 AM on June 5, 1968.

He observed photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the newspaper some time during June 5, 1968. LEGASPI stated that he does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN prior to seeing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper. He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.

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GUNTER H. LEHMACHER, Assistant Banquet Manager, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was present at the hotel from 9:00 a.m. to until 11:00 p.m., June 4, 1968. During this time he was in all areas of the hotel.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to LEHMACHER and he advised he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

LEHMACHER is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	February 27, 1940 at Oberhausen, Germany
Residence	1037 Edgewood Lane Garden Grove, California
Telephone	714-539-9850

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LEOLA LEWIS, Maid, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that she resides at 3500 Gramercy Place, Los Angeles. On the night of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, she was working on the casino floor and was not in the area of the incident. She learned of the shooting of the Senator only after people started rushing about seeking either assistance or a way out of the hotel. She advised that she has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and is sure he was never an employee.

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Mrs. ALEXANDER LIBAN (INA), 3309 Wood Terrace, (telephone number NO 4-9886), advised she has been employed as a cashier and food checker at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, since September 1966.

She advised that her regular shift is from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and on June 5, 1968, she was working in the liquor service area located just off the main kitchen.

She stated that shortly after midnight she was en route to the front office to get approval on a check and as she was going through the room service area of the kitchen she heard a lot of people yelling. She stated that at that point JEAN ABSTON, the head food checker, yelled at her to get back and she heard someone else shout that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot.

Mrs. LIBAN advised that she returned to the liquor service area and in a few minutes walked back to the kitchen where she saw Senator KENNEDY being placed on a stretcher and wheeled into the freight elevator. She stated that at that time there were a great number of people milling around the area and a great deal of confusion and noise.

She stated that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to her. However, about 10:30 p.m. or 11:00 p.m. on June 4, 1968, she recalled seeing an individual who resembled SIRHAN loitering around the door which leads from the hallway into the kitchen. She stated she could not positively identify SIRHAN as being identical with that individual and did not recall ever having seen SIRHAN in or around the hotel prior to that time.


MRS. LIBAN advised she was unable to furnish any additional information concerning the shooting.

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Mrs. LIBAN was described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	Born September 16, 1928, Minsk, Russia
Height	5' 4"
Weight	128 pounds
Hair	Blonde
Eyes	Blue
Social Security Number	

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JOE HERNANDEZ LICON, 1036 West 141st Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone DA 9-0211, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where he is employed as a chandelier and mirror man.

LICON advised that on June 4, 1968 he was employed at the hotel from 6:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and is unable to furnish information concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

LICON viewed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised SIRHAN was unknown to him.

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JOSE LINAN, Waiter-Room Service, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised at about 12:20 am, on June 5, 1968, he was standing in the room service desk area when he heard what sounded like several firecrackers explode. He could not recall the length of time between the explosions or how many he heard, for he immediately ran into the kitchen away from the Embassy Room Service Pantry. LINAN stated he ran into the kitchen in the particular interest of his own safety, as he suspected these noises may have been shots. During the entire time immediately after the KENNEDY shooting, LINAN remained in the kitchen, thus he was unable to furnish any information of value in this investigation. He observed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, but stated it was not familiar to him.

LINAN furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	May 1, 1923
Place of Birth	El Paso, Texas
Height	5'6"
Weight	145 pounds
Residence	1344 Valencia Street, Apartment 6, Los Angeles, California
Home telephone No.	747-5026
Employment	Ambassador Hotel, 2½ years
Social Security No.	██████████

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INGEBORG C. LOHMANN, Hostess, Coffee Shop, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that she was on duty from 4:00 PM until 12:00 midnight, June 4, 1968. She left the coffee shop at approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, and went to the lobby area adjacent to the pantry or main kitchen area outside of the Embassy Ballroom where the KENNEDY celebration had been held. She was told that Senator KENNEDY had been shot but did not go into the main kitchen and did not see Senator KENNEDY or anyone whom the police had taken into custody. En route to the Embassy Room, she heard nothing similar to shots being fired. A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to LOHMANN and she advised that she had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

LOHMANN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	December 14, 1917 Dusseldorf, Germany
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	3025 Glenhurst Avenue Los Angeles 39, California
Telephone No.	666-8094

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JACK (No Middle Name) LUBARSKY, Bellman, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was on duty from approximately 2:15 PM until 10:51 PM, June 4, 1968, after which he went directly home. LUBARSKY stated that he was in the Embassy Ballroom on several occasions. A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to LUBARSKY and he advised that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

LUBARSKY is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	October 22, 1907 Poltova, Russia
Alien Registration No.	[REDACTED]
Date Entered U. S.	September 20, 1913
Residence	7516½ Fountain Avenue Los Angeles, California
Telephone No.	876-3662

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On June 12, 1968, GEORGE LYONS, 518 West 41st Drive, Apartment 8, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born in Oklahoma on October 24, 1922, and he is currently employed as a Night Cleaner at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles.

LYONS stated that he was on duty during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot at the Ambassador Hotel. He stated that he heard some sharp noise which he later learned were shots being fired but he was not in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot.

LYONS was shown photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that he had not seen SIRHAN prior to the time he saw SIRHAN in the custody of the Los Angeles Police at which time the Los Angeles Police were taking SIRHAN from the hotel.

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MANUEL CUETO MACHUCA, Bus Boy, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 1442 West 25th Street, Los Angeles, phone 733-8585 advised that he had the evening of June 4, 1968, off.

MACHUCA was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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ANTONIO ALMEIDA MACIAS, Runner, Coffee Shop, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was on duty from 7:00 AM until 3:00 PM on June 3, 1968, but did not work on June 4, 1968, and, therefore, was not near the hotel on this latter date. A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to MACIAS and he advised that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

MACIAS is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	August 6, 1929
	Villanueva Zai, Mexico
Citizenship	Mexican
Alien Registration No.	
Social Security No.	
Residence	832 Fedora Street
	Los Angeles, California
Telephone	None

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ARTHUR MADDOX, 744 South Catalina, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born on February 5, 1910 and he is currently employed as a security man for the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

MADDOX advised that he was on duty in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968 when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot at the hotel. He stated that he learned of the shooting from the crowd that was running all over the hotel. He stated that he did not go to the area in the hotel where the shooting took place and he did not see Senator KENNEDY before or after the shooting. He stated that he observed a prisoner being removed from the hotel by Los Angeles Police Officers but he could hardly see the prisoner.

MADDOX was shown photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that to the best of his knowledge he has never seen SIRHAN other than through photographs in the newspapers published after the shooting.

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SALVADOR M. MADRIGAL, Bartender, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised his residence is located at 150 South Union Place, Apartment 3, Los Angeles, California, and his home telephone number is 628-1958.

MADRIGAL advised he arrived for work at 6:00 PM on June 4, 1968, and worked in the Embassy Room the entire night, until he was instructed by JOSE GONZALEZ, Beverage Department employee, to close the bar at about 12:25 AM on June 5, 1968. It was at this time that MADRIGAL learned for the first time that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot, and, before that time, nothing came to his attention to indicate this event would occur. He observed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN but stated that it was not familiar to him.

MADRIGAL furnished the following information concerning himself:

Birth Data	November 20, 1946 Zomora, Michocan, Mexico
Height	5'8"
Weight	152 pounds
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Employment	Two weeks at the Ambassador Hotel

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GEORGE AWADIS MAJARIAN, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 7741 Radford Street, North Hollywood, residence phone 764-2701 advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

MAJARIAN, a Jordanian by birth and of Armenian parents advised that he deeply regretted that a fellow countryman namely SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN had been charged with murder of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. MAJARIAN who was born August 31, 1938, at Karek, Jordan, advised that his parents AWADIS and mother KAIGOUHI are currently residing in Amman, Jordan and he felt sure that his parents were distraught over the fact that a fellow countryman had been accused with the murder of the Senator. MAJARIAN stated that both he and his wife have viewed photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN on television and newspapers and were both positive that they had never seen the alleged assailant prior to his arrest. MAJARIAN stated that he arrived in the United States via Germany in 1961 and has not returned to Jordan since that time. MAJARIAN advised that although sympathetic with his countryman's dispute with Israel he could not condone the alleged actions of SIRHAN in any way.

MAJARIAN was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN which he advised that he was positive that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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FITO ELGUETA MANSILLA, Waiter, Lautrec Restaurant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he worked from 11:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M., then from 5:30 P.M. until 11:40 P.M. on June 4, 1968. MANSILLA advised that, immediately after closing the restaurant, he went to his home, at which time he learned from watching television that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. MANSILLA stated during the day of June 4, 1968 nothing came to his attention which would indicate that Senator KENNEDY would be shot, thus he could furnish no information in this investigation. Further, he viewed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him.

MANSILLA furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	August 25, 1939
Place of Birth	Puqueldon, Chile
Height	5'4"
Weight	128
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	688 Mariposa Avenue, Los Angeles
Home Telephone	None

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REYES MARTINEZ, 1626 Lakeshore Avenue, telephone number 383-4274, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel where he is employed as a waiter. He furnished the following information:

He was born June 9, 1908 at Chihuahua, Mexico. He is 5'6" and weighs 120 pounds. He has been employed as a waiter at the hotel for 18 years.

On June 4, 1968, he began work at the hotel at 5:00 PM and he continued work at the hotel until approximately 2:30 AM on June 5, 1968.

He was in the lobby of the hotel after midnight on June 5, 1968, when he heard someone say that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had just been shot. He did not hear the shots. He does not know the identity of the individual who he heard saying the Senator had been shot.

He has seen photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the newspapers and has also seen SIRHAN on television. He stated he does not recall ever having seen this individual prior to seeing his photograph in the newspaper. He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.

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On June 11, 1968, GILBERTO MARTINEZ-LOPEZ advised he has been employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the past four or five years and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, and the early morning of June 5, 1968.

He advised shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968, he was working in the Embassy Room of the hotel and heard what sounded like shots being fired, although there had been a consistent popping of balloons which made about the same sound. He stated that he heard what he thought was four or five shots fired in rapid succession, however, he was about 70 yards away when this occurred and, consequently, did not see the actual shooting. He stated there were many people milling around and, a few minutes later when he was able to go over to where the shooting occurred, he saw ROBERT F. KENNEDY laying on the floor. He stated that right after this, they sent everybody home. He had no information concerning SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He then advised that he resides at 3030 West San Marino Street, Los Angeles, and was born on September 7, 1938, at Jiguillan, Mich., Mexico. He entered the United States as a permanent resident on December 26, 1961, and is not a naturalized citizen. He has Alien Registration Number [REDACTED] and Social Security Number [REDACTED].

A photograph of SIRHAN was exhibited and this individual advised had not seen him before.

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Miss ADDIE MARIE MASTEL, Manager, Coffee Shop, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and she advised that she was on duty from 8:00 AM until 5:30 PM, June 4, 1968, at which time she went directly home. A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Miss MASTEL and she stated that she had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

Miss MASTEL is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	January 27, 1917 Straussburg, North Dakota
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	641 South Berendo Los Angeles, California
Telephone No.	DU 4-3070

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On June 11, 1968, MARIO MATUTE advised he is employed as a part-time waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, and the early morning of June 5, 1968. He stated that he was not in the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and consequently, did not witness the shooting and had no information concerning SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

MATUTE then stated that he resides at 3743 Primavera Avenue, Los Angeles, was born February 9, 1920, in Mexico City, Mexico, entered the United States in 1957, and is not a United States citizen.

A photograph of SIRHAN was exhibited and this individual advised he had not seen him before.

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DEMETRIOS MAVROMATIS, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 7118 Stafford Avenue, Huntington Park, residence phone 581-9632 advised that he worked the Coconut Grove from 5 PM, June 4, 1968, until approximately 11:45 when the last patrons at tables he was serving left the room. MAVROMATIS stated that as soon as he had completed his duties he left the hotel estimating his time of departure at 11:55 PM, June 4, 1968. He advised that while listening to his car radio enroute home, he heard a news flash which indicated that Senator KENNEDY and several members of his staff had been shot.

MAVROMATIS further related that at approximately 9 PM, that evening, he visited the Embassy Room in the hopes of seeing Senator KENNEDY but when he learned that the Senator would not be in the room until later that evening, he immediately returned to the Coconut Grove to resume his duties.

MAVROMATIS was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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FRANK STORM MAXWELL, banquet employee at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

He was serving drinks in the Dolphin Court Room on June 4, 1968, from 6:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. of June 5, 1968, and therefore, he did not witness any of the incidents surrounding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. MAXWELL was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and he advised that he had never seen the man before.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	FRANK STORM MAXWELL
Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	March 12, 1905
Place of Birth	Los Angeles, California
Residence	2726 South Harvard Boulevard Los Angeles
Height	5'9"
Weight	168 pounds
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
Length of Employment at Ambassador Hotel	4½ years

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FRANK MELLODY, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address, 607 South Parkway, Los Angeles, phone 384-5281 advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

MELLODY thereafter was displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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JUSTINO MENDEZ, waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 1061 North Sentinel Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone 268-7737, advised that he had a night off on the evening of June 4, 1968, and therefore, has no information concerning the shooting which occurred that evening.

MENDEZ was displayed a photograph of the subject, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and immediately advised he had never seen this individual in his life.

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Mrs. FLORENCE ROSALIND HERZBERGER, Secretary, Catering and Sales Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that she did not work on June 4, 1968. She explained, however, that she had attended the KENNEDY for President campaign celebration in the Embassy Room from 9:00 p.m., June 4, 1968 to until 2:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. She was in the Embassy Room when the shooting of Senator KENNEDY occurred. She explained she thought the gunfire was the popping of balloons. It was an undeterminable number of shots fired in rapid succession. Mrs. HERZBERGER was never in the kitchen, where the shooting incident occurred.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Mrs. HERZBERGER and she advised she had never seen this individual until removed by the police.

Mrs. HERZBERGER advised she attended the rally with Miss EDITH REIFSCHNEIDER.

Mrs. HERZBERGER is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Born	October 20, 1920 at Chicago, Illinois
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	682 South Irolo Street Los Angeles, California Apartment 406
Telephone	388-2101

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ANTHONY MESSINA, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 10744 Valerio Street, Sun Valley, residence phone 982-0951, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

MESSINA was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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SAMUEL TAPIA MILLAN, waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 827 South Kenmore Avenue, telephone 388-0106, advised that he had the night of June 4, 1968, off and, therefore, could furnish no information concerning the shooting which occurred at the hotel that evening.

MILLAN was thereafter displayed a photograph of the subject, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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On June 11, 1968, WAYNE D. MILLS advised that he was employed as a bartender at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California and was on duty during the evening of June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, June 5, 1968. MILLS stated that he was tending bar in the Service Bar in the Coconut Grove, off the main lobby of the hotel and was not aware of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY until Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, entered and said that Mr. KENNEDY had been shot and for MILLS to close his bar. He said this was approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968.

He said that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, was not acquainted with him, and had never heard this name before.

MILLS furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2803
Home Address	1735 North Kingsley Drive, Los Angeles, California
Home Telephone	461-2166
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Birth Data	November 2, 1915, Omaha, Nebraska

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BLAISE M. MINNS, 3007 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 8, telephone DU 9-8562, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, where he has been employed as a banquet waiter for the past six years.

MINNS advised that on June 4, 1968, he went to work at 6:00 p.m. and was assigned to the Venetian Room to serve drinks at the MAX RAFFERTY rally. MINNS stated that he watched Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY give his speech on a television set which was in the room and as KENNEDY neared the end of his speech, MINNS left the Venetian Room and headed toward the Embassy Room in an attempt to see Senator KENNEDY as he left. As MINNS neared the double doors going into the kitchen, he heard about five noises, which sounded like firecrackers. As he entered the kitchen, he observed CARL UECKER, ROOSEVELT GRIER and one other man with grey hair, along with the Japanese cook, holding a man down on the steam table, trying to take away a gun, which the man had in his right hand. MINNS said he also observed Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor about ten feet away, with a large number of people around him. MINNS observed two other men nearby, who had also been shot.

MINNS stated that a fireman, who was present, then told the employees to keep everybody out and MINNS along with three or four other waiters, locked arms and kept other spectators from coming into the kitchen. He stated that within the next few minutes, the ambulance and police arrived.

MINNS advised he is unable to furnish any additional information and SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to him. He further advised that he had never observed SIRHAN in or around the hotel area.

MINNS is described as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	August 17, 1931 at Nassau, Bahama Islands
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	195 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue

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On June 10, 1968, ERWIN MOENCH advised that he is employed as a waiter in The Cave Cocktail Lounge, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, and the early morning of June 5, 1968. He stated that he was not in the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and, consequently, did not witness the shooting and had no information concerning SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He advised that he resides at 7044 Wortser, North Hollywood, and was born June 28, 1929, at Bad Kissen, Germany. He left Germany in June 1956, for Canada and entered the United States from Canada in October 1961. He is not a United States citizen.

A photograph of SIRHAN was exhibited and this individual advised he had not seen him before.

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ROBERT EARL MOONEY, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 4179 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, phone DU 4-3257, advised that he worked in the Coconut Grove from 5 PM, June 4, 1968, until approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968. He advised that he had a number of patrons throughout the course of the evening and was therefore, unable to visit the Embassy Room to view Senator KENNEDY when he arrived to congratulate his campaign staff.

MOONEY stated that at approximately 12:20 AM, June 5, 1968, an unrecalled fellow employee in the Coconut Grove approached him and informed him that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot in the kitchen area of the hotel. MOONEY advised that he and several other waiters and bus boys working the Coconut Grove remained in the night club until approximately 2:30 AM, that morning when the Los Angeles Police Department announced that all hotel staff members who had no pertinent information to offer could leave.

MOONEY was thereafter displayed a photograph of subject SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN after which he advised that he had never seen this individual in his life.

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On June 11, 1968, BENNY MORELLO advised that he is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, as a second cook.

He stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, he worked from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and thereafter, left the hotel. He waited in the parking lot in his automobile for his wife, VERTA, who is also employed in the kitchen. He stated that he did not know anything of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY nor had he ever seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He was born January 8, 1915, in Canada and resides at 12731 Hunnewell in Sylmar, California. His telephone number is EMpire 1-2845. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]

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VESTA GLADYS MORELLO, Sandwich Maker in the Chef's Department at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

She worked from 4:00 PM on June 4, 1968, until 12:30 AM on June 5, 1968. She shook Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's hand when he came through the kitchen on his way to make his victory speech. This incident was photographed and it appears on Page 33 of the June 14, 1968 edition of "Life Magazine".

At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, she was putting her tools away in the Salad Pantry of the kitchen, and she did not hear the shots. She heard screaming and hollering, and she went through the kitchen and saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor. She saw none of the incidents surrounding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and she did not see the man who shot KENNEDY. MORELLO was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised that she had never seen the man. MORELLO added that she did not think there was a guard posted at the swinging doors which lead to the kitchen from the hallway in front of the Embassy Room.

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

Name	VESTA GLADYS MORELLO
Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	June 28, 1915
	Liberty, Missouri
Residence	12731 Hunnewell Avenue
	Sylmar, California
Height	5'4"
Weight	167 pounds
Social Security No.	██████████
Length of Employment	
at the Ambassador	
Hotel	12 years

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GILBERT MORRIS, JR., housekeeping employee at the Ambassador Hotel, furnished the following information:

He worked on June 4, 1968, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and he went right home after getting off duty. He did not come back to the hotel until 8:00 a.m. the following morning. MORRIS was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and stated that he had never seen the man.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	GILBERT MORRIS, JR.
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	July 2, 1931
Place of Birth	Beaumont, Texas
Residence	172 West 41st Street Los Angeles
Height	5'7"
Weight	175 pounds
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
Length of Employment at Ambassador Hotel	3 years

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1Date 6/19/68

Miss ELIZABETH ANN NAUN, Executive Secretary, Catering and Sales Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment, and advised that she worked from 9:00 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968, after which she went home and did not return to the hotel.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Miss NAUN and she advised that she had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

NAUN is described as follows:

Race:	White
Sex	Female
Born	January 4, 1936 at Buffalo, New York
Residence	737 South Berendo Los Angeles, California
Telephone	382-0991

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MARGARET NEFF, 537 North Normandie, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 2, (telephone number 662-9333), advised she has been employed as a cashier and food checker at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, for the past 20 years.

She advised that on June 4, 1968, she did not work at the hotel and was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

She further advised, upon viewing the photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, that he was unknown to her, and she did not recall ever having observed him in or around the hotel.

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ARTHUR EDWIN NYHAGEN, Doorman, Wilshire Entrance Parking Lot, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised he had been on duty from approximately 4:10 PM, June 4, 1968, until approximately 1:30 AM, June 5, 1968. NYHAGEN remained in the parking lot area the entire evening and was never near the Embassy Ball Room. He viewed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

The following physical description was obtained from observation and interview:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of Birth	March 31, 1918, Stoughton, Wisconsin
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	1817 West 12th Street, Los Angeles, California 90006

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On June 19, 1968, Mr. GARDNER, Security Officer, Ambassador Hotel, advised SA RICHARD K. PHINNEY that personnel records show JUAN OCHOA, dishwasher, has not been employed at the Ambassador for over two months. He said OCHOA was picked up by the immigration authorities and presumably returned to Mexico.

Mr. GARDNER advised regarding a dishwasher named PABLO VALDIVIA, personnel records do not list such an individual as an employee. He determined there is an ALBERT VALDIVIA currently employed in the kitchen area, and this individual was thereafter interviewed.

On June 19, 1968, SAM MEADE, 407 North Bixel, telephone 628-4706, advised he manages the apartment at 1306 Angelina Street. He said no one named PABLO VALDIVIA currently resides at that location and he had no recollection of this individual.

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JOHN OHANESIAN, Waiter-Room Service, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised his residence is located at 3192 West 7th Street, Apartment 4, in Los Angeles, and his home telephone number is 381-1004. OHANESIAN advised he was standing at the room service cash register at about 12:20 am, on June 5, 1968, when he heard two gunshots. He recalled there was about a one second delay between the two shots and immediately after hearing them stated to JEAN ABSTEN, and LEONA CASE, hotel employees, that someone must have been shot. OHANESIAN immediately ran into the kitchen employees dining room, looked into the Embassy Room Service Pantry, and observed Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY lying on the pantry floor. OHANESIAN immediately felt a sharp pain in his stomach, thus he ran to the mens restroom near the room service area, and threw up. OHANESIAN stated he returned to the kitchen where the service elevator is located, in time to observe Senator KENNEDY being carried on to the service elevator. OHANESIAN observed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN; however, stated it was not familiar to him; further that during the time preceding the shooting, nothing came to his attention to indicate this event would take place.

OHANESIAN furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	December 3, 1917
Place of Birth	San Francisco, California
Height	5'8"
Weight	115 pounds
Employment	Ambassador Hotel, been employed for 10 years.

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