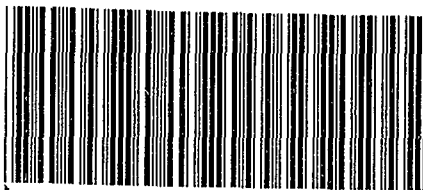


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ANTONIO ROSAS, Dishwasher, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, resides at 843 Mariposa Street, Apartment 3, Los Angeles, California, advised that on the evening Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed he was working in the kitchen and only became aware of the incident due to the commotion. He was not in the area of the shooting prior to, or after, the death of Senator KENNEDY and he was unable to furnish any details of value concerning individuals in the area where the incident occurred. ROSAS advised that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and is sure he was never an employee.

ROSAS advised he was born [REDACTED] and his Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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RICHARD RODRIGEZ, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 9711 Greening Whittier, phone 696-8305, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

RODRIGEZ 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, MANUEL RODRIGUEZ advised that he has been employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the past eight months 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 4949 Coldwater Canyon, Sherman Oaks, California, and was born [REDACTED] in Oriente Province, Cuba. He entered the United States as a permanent resident on May 29, 1960, and has Alien Registration Number [REDACTED]. He is not a United States citizen. He has Social Security Number [REDACTED].

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

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RAMON RODRIGUEZ, JR., part-time waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised he resides at 2248 Parkside Avenue, Los Angeles, and has home telephone number 223-0303.

RODRIGUEZ advised he has worked on a part-time basis at the Ambassador Hotel for the past six weeks and is currently employed by the "Los Angeles Times" in the capacity of a press room clerk. He stated he has worked for the "Los Angeles Times" for the past ten years.

RODRIGUEZ advised at about 12:20 a.m., June 5, 1968, he was in the kitchen located approximately 40 feet from the entrance into the Service Pantry, ordering a sandwich when he heard what sounded like a gun shot. About one second later he heard a second shot, then after two or three seconds he heard a burst of approximately four shots. He hastily ran out of the kitchen and into the kitchen employees' dining room and observed through the entrance way into the Embassy Room Service Pantry, a white male in a dark colored suit lying on his back. At this point an unidentified female Caucasian ran up to him and asked if he knew who the person was lying on the pantry floor. RODRIGUEZ stated that he did not; however, at this time JESUS PEREZ approached him and advised that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot and that PEREZ shook hands with the Senator just prior to the time he was shot.

RODRIGUEZ did not enter the Embassy Room Service Pantry where he was directed to stay clear of the area. About ten minutes later, policemen were attempting to clear a path to the service elevator; however, due to the large number of people crowded into the area, he was unable to observe any further events.

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RODRIGUEZ furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Birth Data	[REDACTED] Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
Height	5'9"
Weight	165 pounds
Social Security Number	- [REDACTED]

RODRIGUEZ observed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him; further, that nothing came to his attention prior to the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot to indicate this event would occur.

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1Date 6/17/68

On June 12, 1968, TOM RONCINSKE, 636 North Robinson Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born on [REDACTED], and he has been employed by the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, since 1957. He stated that he now holds the position of Night Auditor.

RONCINSKE stated that he was on duty during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot in the Ambassador Hotel. He stated that he did not hear any shots but was informed of the shooting by people running through the lobby of the hotel. He stated that he did not leave the main desk area of the hotel and he did not see Senator KENNEDY. He stated that he observed police officers going by his desk and he saw the police return with a person in the middle of their group but he was unable to see the person the police were removing from the hotel.

RONCINSKE was shown three photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that the only time he has seen SIRHAN's likeness was when he saw SIRHAN's photographs in the newspapers after the shooting.

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HENRY HOUSHMEND ROSHDIEH Parking Lot Attendant, Wilshire Entrance, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he worked from approximately 4:30 PM, June 4, 1968, until 3 AM, June 5, 1968. He was never in the hotel, never near the Embassy Ball Room and advised that he never saw an individual resembling SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in or about the hotel, after viewing his photograph.

The following physical description was obtained from observation and interview:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	[REDACTED] Teheran, Iran
Height	5'6"
Weight	142 pounds
Citizenship	Iranian
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	1720 North Bronson Avenue, Apartment 6, Hollywood, California
Telephone	HO 4-2622

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JAMES ROTHBURG, 5640 Santa Monica Boulevard, Room 218, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born on [REDACTED] and he is currently employed as a security guard for the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

ROTHBURG advised that he was on duty during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968 when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot in the Ambassador Hotel. He stated that he was at the back gate of the hotel when the shooting took place and he learned of the shooting through the yells of the crowd in the hotel. ROTHBURG stated that he stayed at his post and never went to see Senator KENNEDY. He advised that he never saw KENNEDY or the man who was reportedly removed from the hotel by the Los Angeles Police and subsequently charged with the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

ROTHBURG was shown photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that to the best of his knowledge he has never seen SIRHAN in his life.

ROTHBURG furnished his Social Security Number [REDACTED].

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ALFRED VIGIL ROYBAL, Parking Lot Attendant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was reinterviewed at his place of employment and advised that he had never noticed two males running through the Eighth Street parking lot from the direction of the hotel from approximately 12:15 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., June 5, 1968, following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

ROYBAL advised that he was in charge of the Eighth Street parking lot on the evening of June 4, and morning of June 5, 1968, and had questioned the other attendants concerning the above matter, and all had not seen two men running through the lot. Those working with ROYBAL at the Eighth Street parking lot during the time period in question were:

JAMES HENRY ARRIETA

AUGUSTO RICARDO CARRILLO

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VERA M. RUNNING, housekeeping employee at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

She worked from 3:15 PM on June 4, 1968, until 12:04 AM on June 5, 1968. She went straight home after finishing her work, and she was not present at the hotel during the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. RUNNING was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised that she had never seen the man.

The following description of RUNNING was obtained by observation and interview:

Name	VERA M. RUNNING
Race	White
Sex	Female
Birth Data	[REDACTED]
	Phoenix, Arizona
Residence	759 South Catalina Avenue Los Angeles, California
Height	5'4"
Weight	135 pounds
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Length of Employment at the Ambassador Hotel	Ten years

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1Date 6/12/68

On June 10, 1968, ROBERT G. SALCEDO advised that he is employed as the Bar Manager at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968, until the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

SALCEDO said that he was not in the area where ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot but was close enough to immediately hear the screams and confusion and recognized that a "problem had occurred" and he immediately went from bar to bar closing them down. He said in any kind of trouble and confusion, his main responsibility is with the bars and when he heard the noise, he felt that it was time to close them down.

He said that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and the name was not familiar to him.

SALCEDO furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Home Address	811 South Kenmore, apartment 303, Los Angeles, California
Telephone No.	385-9586
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]

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On June 10, 1968, ANGEL SANTIAGO advised that he is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, as a cook.

He stated that at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 5, 1968, he was working in the main kitchen and could not see what was going on. He stated that as he recalls he heard several successive "pops" at the time but had no idea that it was a gun. He stated that he did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN nor had he ever seen him.

He was born on [REDACTED] in Puerto Rico and resides at 11842 South Berendo Avenue, Los Angeles, California. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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On June 11, 1968, JORGE R. SANTOS 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 June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, June 5, 1968. He said that he was tending bar in the Palm Court Room during the evening and was not aware of the shooting until approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, when Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, entered the Palm Court Bar and said for SANTOS to close the bar as Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

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

SANTOS furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2814
Home Address	619 South Pecan, Los Angeles, California
Home Phone	AN 8-9576
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED] Zacatecas, Mexico

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JOSE EDWARD SANTOYO, 2820 West Eighth Street, Los Angeles, telephone number 388-3928, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel where he is employed as a barboy. He furnished the following information:

He was born [REDACTED] at Sonora, Mexico. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]. He has been in the United States since approximately 1962 and has been employed by the hotel for approximately 1½ years.

On June 4, 1968, he began work at the hotel at approximately 4 PM and continued to work at the hotel until approximately 3:30 AM on June 5, 1968. He worked at various places in the hotel during his tour of duty.

Between midnight and 12:30 AM on June 5, 1968, he was in the vicinity of the Palm Court Room. He did not hear the shooting that took place at the hotel.

At approximately 12:30 AM, on June 5, 1968, he heard that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot and this was his first knowledge of the shooting.

SANTOYO advised that he has seen photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the newspapers and that prior to having seen these photographs, he does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN. He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN.

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On June 11, 1968, CAROL SCHIADA advised that she is employed as a part-time Cocktail Waitress at The Cave, 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. She stated that she 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.

She advised that she resides at 511 Museum Drive, Highland Park, California, and was born [REDACTED] at Los Angeles, California. She has Social Security Number [REDACTED]

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

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On June 11, 1968, RUDY SEGURA advised that he is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, as a cook in the coffee shop.

He stated that on June 4, 1968, he worked until 11:00 p.m. and thereafter, went home. 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 on [REDACTED] in Los Angeles, California, and resides at 223 $\frac{1}{2}$  Rosemont Avenue, Los Angeles. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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PAUL SHAHAN, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 1204 North Marilyn Street, Glendale, California, phone CI 34704 advised that he was not working on the evening of June 4, 1968.

SHAHAN was exhibited 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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SETH SHAHAN, 338 South Reeves Drive, Beverly Hills, California, (telephone number CR 6-2589), advised he has been employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, since 1928.

SHAHAN advised on June 4, 1968, he was assigned to work the Presidential Suite, which were rooms 583 and 584, and served drinks to approximately 200 people who were present at a reception honoring Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

SHAHAN advised that he was watching a television set in the room which was carrying Senator KENNEDY's speech from the Embassy Room of the hotel and witnessed the shooting incident on television.

At that point, the man in charge of the reception party told SHAHAN to close the bar, which he did. SHAHAN stated he then turned in his receipts at about 1:50 a.m. on June 5, 1968, and went home.

He stated he was unable to furnish any information concerning the shooting other than what he had witnessed on television.

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

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Date 6/19/68

JOHN SANFORD SHAMEL, Convention 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 7:15 a.m. on June 4, 1968 until approximately 4:45 a.m. on June 5, 1968. During this time, he was in the Embassy Room approximately 75 percent of his time. He was in the Embassy Room at 11:15 p.m. and again at 11:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968. SHAMEL entered the main kitchen area at approximately 11:45 p.m., accompanied by his roommate, AL ELLIS. He passed through the kitchen and entered the Embassy Room through the doors immediately to the east of the stage which Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY later spoke on. He passed through the Embassy Room and was just outside the main doors when UNO TIMINSON, General Manager of the Catering and Sales Department, hurriedly approached him and urgently directed him to get a doctor. SHAMEL then proceeded to the switchboard where he carried out this task. At the same time as he was approached by TIMINSON, SHAMEL noticed commotion beginning in the lobby. He heard the vague comment, "There he goes.", but did not see to whom it was directed, nor by whom it was spoken. He saw no one running and there was no indication as to what it was intended. SHAMEL stated that he never saw Senator KENNEDY or the individual who the police had taken into custody, as he was in the switchboard room, and he did not hear any gunfire.

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

SHAMEL advised that JOHN G. LONG, President, B. R. T. Lodge 912, Chairman of 1968 Tri-State Convention, residing 2732 Fletcher Drive, Los Angeles, California, residence telephone 863-2683, business telephone 666-8300, advised him on June 6, 1968 that he had had a conversation with an unidentified man who indicated that he had chased a man with a gun through the Ambassador Hotel Lobby area and out of the hotel, at a time

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close to that in which Senator KENNEDY had been shot. This individual had advised LONG that he had lost this man in the crowd. SHAMEL could recall nothing further concerning LONG's comments regarding this incident.

SHAMEL is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	[REDACTED] at
	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Residence	842 South Berendo
	Los Angeles, California
Telephone	386-8322

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1Date 6/19/68

Miss KAY FANNIE SHUSETT, Waitress, Coffee Shop, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment, at which time she advised that she was on duty from 4:00 p.m. to until 12:00 midnight on June 4, 1968, at which time she departed the hotel for home and never returned to the hotel.

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

SHUSETT is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Born	[REDACTED] at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	1119 North Hayworth Street Los Angeles, California
Telephone	OL 6-1345

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CHARLES E. SIEBERT, 3471 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California, apartment 503, telephone 384-2171, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where he is employed as a cashier and food checker.

SIEBERT advised that on June 4, 1968, he came to work at 5:00 p.m. and was working in the room service area, located just off of the main kitchen, taking telephone orders for room service. SIEBERT advised that at approximately midnight, he observed Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and KENNEDY's wife, along with a party of approximately eight to ten people, as they passed through the kitchen area enroute to the Embassy Room, where KENNEDY was to make a speech. SIEBERT stated that at that time, Senator KENNEDY stopped and shook hands with several of the kitchen employees, including himself.

SIEBERT continued that at approximately 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968, he heard a popping sound, which sounded like firecrackers and heard EDDIE MANASSUS (phonetic), captain of the waiters, shout that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot. SIEBERT stated that at that time, he immediately picked up the telephone, contacted the hotel switchboard and told them to get the police and an ambulance. He advised that he stayed where he was and did not witness the shooting or observe Senator KENNEDY after the shooting.

SIEBERT viewed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, stating that SIRHAN was unknown to him and further did not recall ever having seen SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

SIEBERT is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	Indianapolis, Indiana
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Grey

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REIS SIEMSINTINOWSKI, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 5524 Garelock Avenue, Azusa, California, and his home telephone number is 334-8603.

SIEMSINTINOWSKI advised he has been a citizen of the United States since May 1, 1968 and has resided in this country for the past six years. He advised he worked in the Lautrec Restaurant from 11:00 A.M. until 11:30 P.M. on June 4, 1968, and went home immediately after he got off work. He observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him. In addition, he stated nothing came to his attention prior to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY that would be of value in this investigation.

SIEMSINTINOWSKI furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Navolec, Yugoslavia
Height	5'6"
Weight	165

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JOSE RODOLFO SIERRA, Banquet Houseman, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 3316 San Marino Street, Apartment 300, Los Angeles, California, and has no home telephone number. SIERRA advised he worked from 4:00 P.M., June 4, 1968 until 1:00 A.M., June 5, 1968. During the above hours, he and other banquet housemen were responsible for keeping the Embassy Room clean, thus they were in the Embassy Room until shortly after 1:00 A.M. He did not become aware of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot until the crowd began shouting and moving out the exits and toward the Embassy Room service pantry. SIERRA observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised it was not familiar to him. Further, he could furnish no information of value in this investigation.

SIERRA furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Guatemala, City, Guatemala
Height	5'6"
Weight	150
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]

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RAMIRO SIFUENTES, Bar Boy, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 311 South Pecan, Los Angeles, California, and his home telephone number is 269-3010. SIFUENTES stated he arrived at work at 4:00 P.M. on June 4, 1968 and did not leave the hotel until 2:00 A.M. on June 5, 1968. He advised he did not see, hear, or have any knowledge of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot on the morning of June 5, 1968 and, in addition, stated after viewing the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN that he had not observed this individual in the past.

SIFUENTES furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Chalehihiutes, Zacatecas, Mexico
Height	5'5"
Weight	185
Employee Card No.	2871
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]

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MICHAEL SILVERS, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 1043 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, California, residence phone HU 2-0821, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

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

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Miss AGNES ANN SMITH, cashier - checker, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised she worked from 6:30 p.m., June 4, 1968 to until 2:30 a.m., June 5, 1968. On that evening she was situated in the main lobby, directly in front of the Palm Court Cocktail Lounge at a temporary bar. Miss SMITH advised she was never in the Embassy Room or in the main kitchen. During her employment, she heard nothing resembling gunfire.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to SMITH and she advised that the only time she had seen this individual was when the police were removing him following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

The following background information was obtained from interview:

Name	AGNES ANN SMITH
Race	White
Sex	Female
Born	[REDACTED] at Kenosha, Wisconsin
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	5959 Canuenga Boulevard Apartment D North Hollywood, California
Telephone	762-2442

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Mrs. FRANK (EVELYN) SMITH, 1691 West Jefferson Boulevard, was interviewed concerning information she might possess regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She furnished the following information:

She is employed as a relief powder room girl at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. Her duties include replenishing the supply of tissue and other items in the powder rooms of the hotel. In carrying out her duties, she generally moves between the several different powder rooms in the basement and lobby floor of the hotel.

She was on duty until about 11:30 p.m., June 4, 1968. She had intended to stay after working hours so she could listen to and perhaps observe Senator KENNEDY; however, her husband was waiting for her outside the hotel to take her home, so she departed the hotel at 11:30 p.m.

During the evening, several young people asked her where the Senator would deliver his victory address. She told them that it would probably be delivered in the Embassy Room. None of these people was SIRHAN SIRHAN, accused assassin of Senator KENNEDY. Further, she did not overhear any conversations which indicated a plot to assassinate the Senator.

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RALPH STILES SMITH, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at this place of employment and advised that he was on duty at approximately 5:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m., June 4, 1968, following which time he went directly home. SMITH's duties were in the Regency Ballroom and he was never in the Embassy Ballroom.

A photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN was displayed to SMITH and he stated that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

The following physical description of SMITH was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Place of birth	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	16350 Leffingwell Road Whittier, California telephone 943-3930

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GEORGE SOLOMONIDES, Manager, Lautrec Restaurant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 10279 Casanes Avenue, Downey, California, and his home telephone number is 862-8254.

SOLOMONIDES advised he reported for work at about 11:00 AM, June 4, 1968. Shortly after 2:30 PM, same date, as SOLOMONIDES stood at the front entrance of the Lautrec, he observed the following-described person:

Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Age	28 years
Height	5'6"
Weight	140 pounds
Complexion	Dark olive
Apparel	Light blue three-fourths length shirt or sweater; open in front. Tennis shoes, color unknown. No further apparel observed.

SOLOMONIDES stated the above-described person carried some white loose leaf or possibly newspapers under one arm as he wandered around the fountain in front of the Palm Room located in the main lobby. SOLOMONIDES recalled he only observed this individual for about two minutes, for he was then summoned from inside the restaurant. SOLOMONIDES stated he did not observe the above-described individual again. He viewed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated it was a close resemblance to the above-described person, but could not positively state it was SIRHAN.

SOLOMONIDES advised later on June 4, 1968, at about 10:30 PM, as he stood at the pantry door of the Lautrec Restaurant, the following-described individual attempted to walk through the pantry door:

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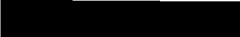
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Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Age	26 to 27 years
Hair	Blond
Apparel	Beige business suit, white shirt and tie

SOLOMONIDES told this individual that he could not enter the rear door of the restaurant, that he would have to proceed to his destination through the lobby. The above-described person smiled, said nothing, then walked out the front entrance. About ten minutes later, this same person again attempted to enter the pantry door, however, SOLOMONIDES again stopped him. As before, no conversation took place, as this person again exited the front door.

SOLOMONIDES stated he did not have any further contact with either of the above-described individuals, and he closed the restaurant at about 11:15 PM. SOLOMONIDES immediately went home where he learned of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on television. SOLOMONIDES could furnish no information of value in this investigation and advised the second-described person positively was not SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. SOLOMONIDES stated that if the first-described individual was SIRHAN, June 4, 1968 was the first time he saw him.

SOLOMONIDES furnished the following information concerning himself:

Birth Data	
	Larnaca, Cyprus
Height	5'6"
Weight	175 pounds

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INOCENSCO HERNANDEZ SOTELLO, Silver Polisher, Steward Department, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that on June 4, 1968 he worked from 3:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. He advised that during the entire day and evening he remained in the polishing room, thus did not observe any persons other than employees of the hotel. He stated he had no knowledge of the fact that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot until the morning of June 5, 1968, when he learned of this fact on the radio, since shortly after 11:00 P.M. he went directly home.

SOTELLO furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	██████████
Place of Birth	Zacateras, Zacateras, Mexico
Height	5'5"
Weight	150
Social Security No.	██████████7
Residence	2122 Deley Street, Los Angeles
Home Telephone	None

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ROSENDO SOTO, 1420 Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles, California, advised he was employed as a kitchen laborer at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, from about June 1 to June 3, 1968. He worked the 4:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. shift.

SOTO advised his regular day off was Tuesday, June 4, 1968, so that he did not work on that day, and was not at the Ambassador Hotel when United States Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. He had no information about the shooting other than what he had seen on television, and did not recognize a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

It is noted ROSENDO SOTO did not speak the English language so that he was interviewed in Spanish through the assistance of the apartment manager, Mrs. SANTILLAN.

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Miss COLLEEN ANN SPINING, Director of Agency and Tour Sales, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that she began work at the hotel on June 11, 1968 and therefore was never near the hotel on June 4, 1968.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to Miss SPINING, and she advised that she has never seen this individual.

Miss SPINING is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Born	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
	Chickasha, Oklahoma
Residence	401 South Mariposa
	Los Angeles, California
Telephone	(None as yet)

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HERMANN SPLITTER, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 500 South Catalina Street, Los Angeles, home phone 385-4088 advised that he worked the Coconut Grove from 5 PM, June 4, 1968, until approximately 12 midnight. He advised that as he was in the process of clearing his tables some employees of the Coconut Grove informed him that Senator KENNEDY and others had been shot in the kitchen area which joins the Embassy Room. SPLITTER stated that although he remained in the Coconut Grove after being informed of the shooting, he heard a considerable amount of commotion in the lobby and subsequently saw several women crying hysterically immediately outside the entrance way to the Coconut Grove.

SPLITTER stated that midway through the course of the evening June 4, 1968, he visited the Embassy Room in the hopes of viewing Senator KENNEDY but only learned that the Senator would not make an appearance until approximately 11 PM and returned to the Grove to resume his duties.

SPLITTER stated that after it was learned that the Senator had been shot the assistant maitre d' announced to all of the Coconut Grove staff that they would be detained until such time as the Los Angeles Police Department permitted them to leave. SPLITTER stated that he remained in the Coconut Grove until approximately 2:30 AM, on the morning of June 5, 1968, at which time he was informed that he was free to leave.

SPLITTER 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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FRANCISCUS ANTONIUS STALPERS, Assistant Manager, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, residence 115 Arden Avenue, Glendale, California, telephone 244-2260, advised he arrived for work on June 4, 1968 at about 7:30 p.m. and finally left the hotel at 5:30 a.m. on June 5, 1968. Throughout the evening of June 4, 1968 he patrolled the rooms used by the primary candidates in an attempt to enforce the Fire Department regulations.

STALPERS observed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised it is not familiar to him. Further he advised nothing came to his attention prior to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY to indicate this event would occur. He stated he first learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot when requested by one of the security guards to call the police because Senator KENNEDY had just been shot inside the Embassy Room service pantry. STALPERS stated he observed Los Angeles Police Department officers remove an individual from the crime scene, however, did not get sufficient observation of him to effect an identification. STALPERS furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Place of birth	Haarlem, Holland
Height	6'2"
Weight	170 pounds
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Alien registration	[REDACTED]
Employment	Employed at Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California for five years

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1Date 6/20/68

During the early morning hours of June 14, 1968, APRIL STEVENS, 1307 Lincoln Boulevard, Santa Monica, California, advised that she is currently employed as a telephone operator of the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

STEVENS advised that she was on duty at her switchboard during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968 when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot at the Ambassador Hotel. She advised that at no time did she leave her switchboard and she is unable to furnish any information regarding the shooting. She stated she first learned of the shooting when the calls for the police began to go through her switchboard.

STEVENS was shown photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and she advised that to the best of her knowledge she has never seen SIRHAN.

STEVENS stated she was born [REDACTED] and her Social Security Number is [REDACTED]

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ALBERT LOUIS STOWERS, 13577 Mercer Street, Pacoima, California, advised as follows:

On the night of June 4, 1968, he was working as a Security Guard at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. His post was at the entrance to the Ambassador Room, where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and his supporters were having a victory celebration.

At approximately 12:10 a.m. to 12:20 a.m., one of Senator KENNEDY's aides came rushing out of the Ambassador Room shouting "Senator KENNEDY has been shot". He, STOWERS, did not leave his post and was kept busy controlling the crowd.

He does not remember seeing a woman in a polka dot dress nor does he remember having seen the subject, SIRHAN SIRHAN. He did not witness any of the events that transpired in the kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel.

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

He stated that on June 4, 1968, he worked in the kitchen until 11:00 p.m. and thereafter, went home. 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 on [REDACTED], in Prague, Czechoslovakia, and resides at 747 South New Hampshire Avenue, Los Angeles, California. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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On June 11, 1968, NESTOR RAUL SUPERVILLE advised that he was employed as a temporary waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, during the evening of June 4, 1968, until 2 AM, June 5, 1968. He said that he was working in the Embassy Room where Mr. KENNEDY was shot but was in the back of the room at the time of the shooting and did not witness the shooting. He said the place was so crowded that he first was aware of some kind of trouble when he heard the noise and the screams but he did not hear any shots. He said during the evening people had been popping balloons with cigarettes and if he had heard anything at all like a shot he would have assumed that it was a breaking balloon.

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.

SUPERVILLE furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Home Address	946 North Hudson, Apartment 2, Los Angeles, California
Home Telephone	462-5482
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
California Driver's License	[REDACTED]
Birth Data	[REDACTED], Mar Del Plata, Argentina.

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ELMER SUSSEX, Porter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he is a resident of 549 Main Street, Los Angeles, California. On the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed, he was working in the basement and only after the commotion started did he find out that the Senator was killed. He was not in the area of the shooting prior to or after the incident and he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel.

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On June 10, 1968, ELLIS LOFTON SWANSON advised that he is employed as a waiter 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.

SWANSON stated that he works as a waiter in the Palm Room Bar located just off the main lobby of the Ambassador Hotel and was not aware of the shooting until ROBERT SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, came into the Palm Room at approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, and told them to close down the bar as Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

SWANSON stated that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, did not know him and had never heard the name before.

SWANSON furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Home Address	12784 Rexton Street, Norwalk, California
Clock No.	2891
Home Telephone No.	921-5704
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Birth Data	[REDACTED], Clay, North Carolina
Length of Employment at Ambassadot Hotel	17 years

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1Date 6/20/68

JESSE SWOFFORD, 634 West 54th Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone PL 1-9962, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where he is employed as a banquet houseman. He furnished the following information:

He was born [REDACTED] at Shreveport, Louisiana. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]

On June 4, 1968, he worked at the hotel from approximately 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. He remained at the hotel until approximately 1:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. At approximately 12:15 a.m. on June 5, 1968, he was in the hallway, which is located behind the Embassy Room. His position in the hallway was toward the inside stairway, which leads from the Embassy Room level to the Ambassador Room level.

At about that time he heard several noises, which he thought were balloons exploding. The noises seemed to sound one right after another.

He went to the room where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot, but he did not see Senator KENNEDY. He saw a man being held on one of the steam tables in the room and he believes ROOSEVELT GRIER and two other individuals were holding this man on the table. He does not recall whether the man on the table was holding a gun at the time.

He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised that he saw this individual's picture in the newspaper and also observed SIRHAN on television, the day following the shooting. He believes SIRHAN is the same person he observed being held on the steam table.

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1Date 6/20/68

ISTVAN SZONYI, known as STEVE, 1022 South Bonnie Brae Street, Los Angeles, California (no telephone), was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where he is employed as a banquet houseman. He furnished the following information:

He was born [REDACTED] in Budapest, Hungary. He is five feet ten inches tall, weighs 180 pounds and has blond hair. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]. He was admitted to the United States on February 25, 1957. He has been employed at the Ambassador Hotel since June 1, 1968.

On June 4, 1968, he worked at the hotel from approximately 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. He left the hotel sometime between 11:00 p.m. and midnight, June 4, 1968.

He was at home sleeping on June 5, 1968 at approximately 2:00 a.m., when his father woke him and advised him that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and others had been shot at the Ambassador Hotel.

He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised he had seen this individual's picture in the newspaper and also had observed SIRHAN on television. He stated that prior to seeing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper, he does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN before.

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1Date 6/17/68

On June 12, 1968, LUCIO TAPIA, 1000 West 23rd Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born in Mexico on [REDACTED], and he is currently employed as a Dishwasher at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles.

TAPIA 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 was not working on the same floor as the floor on which Senator KENNEDY was shot and he did not see Senator KENNEDY before or after he was shot.

TAPIA was shown three photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that he had never seen SIRHAN before in his life.

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Date 6/13/681

On June 11, 1968, HENRY TAYLOR advised that he is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, as a potwasher.

He stated that on the night of June 4, 1968, at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he was in the back of the kitchen and did not see or hear any shots being fired. He stated that he only works two days a week and does not recall of ever having seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He was born [REDACTED] in West Point, Mississippi, and resides at 3217 Bouaz Street, Los Angeles. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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Mrs. KATHERINE THOMSEN, File Clerk, 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 until 5:00 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 Mrs. THOMSEN and she advised she had never seen this individual in or about the hotel.

Mrs. THOMSEN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Born	[REDACTED] at Devils Lake, North Dakota
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	813 South Flower Los Angeles, California
Telephone	627-6981

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