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STANLEY F. TKACZYK, 1204 South Loara Street, Apartment 5, Anaheim, California, advised that he was born on [REDACTED], at Gardner, Massachusetts, and had Social Security Number [REDACTED], and that he is employed as a Desk Clerk at the Ambassador Hotel.

Mr. TKACZYK advised that he was at the double doors leading into the corridor from the Embassy Room when he heard what he believed at the time to be balloons bursting. He saw the crowd erupt into shouting and considerable commotion but saw nothing of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and did not see his assassin.

Mr. TKACZYK was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised that, to his knowledge, he had never seen this individual in person.

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On June 10, 1968, MAXWELL (NMN) TREBACH, advised 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, but left the hotel just before midnight as his shift had ended. Consequently he was not in the hotel at the time of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY. TREBACH stated that during the evening of June 4, 1968, he had worked in the Lautrec Bar which is located in the main lobby of the Ambassador Hotel.

TREBACH stated that he was first aware of the shooting when he arrived home at approximately 1 AM, June 5, 1968, and turned on his television set and heard the announcement.

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

TREBACH furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2811
Home Address	5636 La Mirada, Hollywood, California, Apartment 207
Home Telephone	HO 4-5853
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]

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JOSEPH TREPIAK, Diswasher, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he resides at 147 South Normandie Street, Apartment 209. On the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed he was in the kitchen and at no time prior to the shooting was he in the area of the incident. He learned of the shooting when the commotion started and remained in the kitchen until the Senator was removed from the hotel. He has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and is sure he was never an employee.

TREPIAK stated he has been issued Social Security number [REDACTED].

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SAMUEL PERRY TROUT, Security Guard-Back Door, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 833 North Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles, and his home telephone number is 665-7728. TROUT stated he was on duty at the hotel from 6:30 A.M. until 2:30 P.M. on June 4, 1968 and did not return for work until 6:00 A.M. on June 5, 1968. TROUT viewed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, but stated he was not familiar with him. He further advised that nothing came to his attention during the day of June 4, 1968 to indicate Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot.

TROUT furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Kansas City, Missouri
Height	5'8"
Weight	150
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]

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On June 11, 1968, ANDREA TZIVELEKI advised that he is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, as a waiter.

He stated that at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 5, 1968, he was working in the Regency Room of the hotel.

He stated that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN before and had no information concerning the incident.

He was born on [REDACTED], in Turkey and resides at 218 Kenmore Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

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ALBERT VALDIVIA, 826 Fedora, Los Angeles, California, advised he is employed as a runner and food carrier in the Lautrec Restaurant, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. He works the 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. shift.

VALDIVIA advised he worked his normal shift on June 4, 1968, and went home shortly after 11:00 p.m. He was not a witness to the shooting of United States Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador that night, and was watching television at his residence when the shooting was announced. VALDIVIA advised he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN other than observing him on television in connection with the shooting.

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LAMBERTO GARCIA VALDIVIA, Kitchen Helper, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised on June 4, 1968, he worked from 3:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. and went directly to his home immediately after he got off work. VALDIVIA stated he has been employed for 12 years at the Ambassador Hotel, and had no knowledge that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY would be shot until reading about the killing in the newspaper on June 5, 1968.

VALDIVIA furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
Height	5'5"
Weight	200
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]

VALDIVIA viewed a photograph of SIRHAN and stated it was not familiar to him.

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NICOLAS VALENZUELA, 908 South Normandie, Los Angeles, telephone number 387-4835, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, where he is employed as a room service waiter. He furnished the following information:

He was born [REDACTED] at Huanuco, Peru. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED]. He served two years in the United States Army from September 1965 to September 1967 and his Army Serial Number is [REDACTED].

He worked for the hotel for a short period before going into the Army and he has been back at work approximately one week.

On June 4, 1968, he began work at the hotel at approximately 4:30 PM and continued at work at the hotel until approximately 1 AM, June 5, 1968.

At approximately 12:15 AM, on June 5, 1968, he was in the room service section of the hotel. He heard what he thought were two small firecrackers exploding. After a two or three second pause, he heard several other explosions which he assumed were small firecrackers.

Shortly after hearing the explosions, a person (identity not known) said that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. He went to the doorway and observed Senator KENNEDY and one other man lying on the floor. There was quite a commotion taking place in the room where Senator KENNEDY was lying.

As he was standing at the door, he was told by his supervisor to get back to work, and he returned to his work area. VALENZUELA stated that he did not observe the man who fired the shots.

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

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On June 11, 1968, PAZ P. VARA advised that she is employed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, in the employee's cafeteria.

She stated that she worked on the night of June 4, 1968, however, she left the hotel at 10:00 p.m. and went home. She stated that she knew nothing concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

She was born on [REDACTED] in Mexico, and resides at 974 $\frac{1}{2}$ South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California. Her Social Security Number is [REDACTED].

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Mrs. ROY VARROW, 430 South Berendo, Los Angeles, California, advised as follows:

Her husband, ROY VARROW, is the banquet manager of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. They were in the Embassy Room together during Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's victory speech there around 12:10 a.m. on June 5, 1968. When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, she and her husband went through the front doors of the Embassy Room and they were headed for KENNEDY's press conference. While they were in the hall in front of the Embassy Room, not too far from the swinging doors that lead to the kitchen, they noticed a big commotion in the kitchen. Her husband then went into the kitchen, but she did not follow him. She stayed in the hall for a short time and then she went over to the coat check room, where she stayed for at least half an hour. At no time did she see anyone running away from the kitchen, nor did she hear anyone running away from the kitchen, nor did she hear anyone say "we" or "I" shot KENNEDY. She was not a witness to the shooting, and she did not hear the shots.

Mrs. VARROW was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised that she had never seen the man.

The following description was obtained by observation and interview:

Name	Mrs. ROY VARROW
Sex	Female
Race	White
Birth Data	
	England
Height	5'5"
Weight	115

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"June 14, 1968
Los Angeles, California

"I, Roy Varrow, banquet manager at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, voluntarily make the following statement to David R. Pender, who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I was born on [REDACTED] at London, England. I have been employed by the Ambassador Hotel for 3 months. I now reside at 430 South Berendo, Los Angeles.

"I was at the Ambassador Hotel from 9:00 AM on June 4, 1968, until approximately 1:00 AM on June 5, 1968. During Senator Kennedy's victory speech in the Embassy Room I was near the front of the stage. When Senator Kennedy finished his speech, I left the Embassy Room through the front door, and I was headed toward the Colonial Room where a press conference was to be held. I was standing in the hall in front of the Embassy Room, near the swinging doors which lead to the kitchen, when I heard 2 or 3 pops in quick succession. At the time I thought these noises were balloons popping. I then heard a commotion in the kitchen and Uno Timonson came out and said something about "shooting". No one else came through the swinging doors while I was there. I went into the kitchen right after Timonson came out of it, and I saw a struggle going on. I jumped on top of the ice machine and I saw that several men had a man pinned against the ice machine. This man's head was on the ice machine, and I was about 6 inches from him. I did not see the man's hands, nor did I see a gun. I have been shown a photograph of Sirhan Sirhan, and the man in

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"this photograph is 99 per cent the same as the man whose head was on the ice machine. I could not say they were 100% identical unless I were to see the man in person.

"I remained on top of the ice machine for several minutes. When I got off the ice machine I remained in the general area until the police came and arrested the man who had been pinned against the ice machine. The man whose head I saw on the ice machine and the man the police arrested were identical.

"I later went to the hospital with the police.

"I have read the 1½ Page Statement and is true to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Roy Varrow

"Witness: /s/ David R. Pender, Special Agent,
F.B.I., Los Angeles, California, 6/14/68"

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MARY VAUGHN, Maid, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that she is a resident of 1313 West 38th Street, Los Angeles, was at the paymaster's office at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed and was completely shocked at the news. She stated that at no time was she in the area of the shooting and only out of curiosity, tried to see the Senator. She advised that she has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel prior to the shooting and is sure he was never employed in the hotel.

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ARMANDO MARTINEZ VEGA, Bar Boy at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, furnished the following information:

He started work at 6:00 PM on June 4, 1968, and finished at approximately 1:00 AM on June 5, 1968. He is a Bar Boy and, as such, he went to the various bars in the hotel helping out the bartenders. Included in the rooms that he visited were the Embassy Room and the Palm Court. He was in the lobby of the hotel at the time of the shooting. He did not hear the shots, and he saw none of the incidents surrounding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. VEGA was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and he advised that he had never seen the man.

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

Name	ARMANDO MARTINEZ VEGA
Birth Data	[REDACTED]
Residence	Managua, Nicaragua 1291 Sunset Boulevard Los Angeles, California
Height	5'5"
Weight	148 pounds
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Length of Employment at the Ambassador Hotel	Two weeks

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VICENTE C. VELASQUEZ, Pot Washer at the Ambassador Hotel, 1010 West 32nd Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was born on [REDACTED], at Colima, Mexico.

VELASQUEZ advised that he is employed on the 6:00 AM to 2:00 PM shift but that he was not working on Tuesday, June 4, 1968, and was not present at the hotel nor did he see the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

VELASQUEZ was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised that, to his knowledge, he had never seen this individual in person.

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MARGARET MARY VENABLES, Apartment 10, 3772 Lockland Drive, telephone number 291-5106, advised she is employed as a Night Housekeeper at the Ambassador Hotel. Her office is located in the Linen Room on the Casino Level of the hotel. She takes requests from customers who need linen or maid service. On Monday, June 3, 1968, between 9:30 PM and 9:45 PM, she was sitting at a desk in her office completing paper work. She looked up from her work and she observed two men in the room. The taller of the two men walked past her and peered into the Executive Housekeeper's Office. The shorter man stood facing her and the taller remarked, "We are impressionable young men and we would like to see Mr. Kennedy". She indicated to the men that she did not know where Senator KENNEDY was staying in the hotel and she told the men that they had no business in the area as it was the private property of the hotel.

JULIO (Last Name Unknown)(LNU), who is the Houseman at the hotel, walked into the area at this time. She told JULIO to take the men to security and the men left the Linen Room following JULIO. A short while later, JULIO returned and stated that he had escorted the men down the steps, to the basement area, to the guard located at the time clock area. JULIO stated the men had asked him for a white waiter's jacket so that they could go see Senator KENNEDY.

After talking with JULIO, VENABLES telephoned HANS KORTHOFF, who is the Night Manager of the hotel, and she told him of the incident. KORTHOFF replied that the lobby was full of hippies and they were taking over the place.

VENABLES described the taller man as follows:

Race	White
Height	5'5"
Age	19 to 23 years old
Complexion	Dark

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Hair	Black, curly, long sideburns
Clothing	Wore sport shirt (type sport shirt not recalled), on this shirt was a large KENNEDY button

VENABLES described the smaller man as follows:

Race	White
Height	5' to 5'2"
Age	19 to 23 years old
Hair	Black, straight hair combed back
Complexion	Dark
Clothing	Tan wash trousers, white short sleeved shirt, wore KENNEDY button on shirt over left pocket and sticking out of left shirt pocket was the writing on a piece of paper "attorney"

VENABLES was exhibited three photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she advised she could not state that he was one of the individuals she observed at the hotel on June 3, 1968. VENABLES did state that the taller individual had hair similar to that of SIRHAN and the length of the sideburns on the taller man was about the same length of those on SIRHAN. She did not recall the man speaking with any accent and, to her knowledge, only JULIO and herself observed these men.

She returned to work on June 6, 1968, after Senator KENNEDY had been shot and she again mentioned to KORTHOFF the fact that the two men had been in her Linen Room on June 3, 1968. KORTHOFF asked her if she had reported this to the police but she informed him that she had only reported the incident to him.

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FLAVIANO VENEGAS-ROMERO, Waiter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he was working in the Room Service Department at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot around 12:15 A.M. on June 5, 1968; however, he heard no shots or observed anything which would be of value in this investigation. He observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised this individual was not familiar to him nor had he heard SIRHAN's name prior to the time he learned SIRHAN was a suspect in the KENNEDY murder.

ROMERO furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
Height	5'6"
Weight	160
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	475 McDonnell Street, Los Angeles
Home Telephone	None

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Mrs. ROSE BERNARDINE WALSH, 314 West Avenue 42, Los Angeles, California, telephone CA 5-1193, was interviewed at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, where she has been employed as a cashier and food checker for the past two years.

Mrs. WALSH advised that her regular shift is from 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and on the evening of June 4, 1968, she was working as a cashier in the Cave Bar at the hotel and had no knowledge concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY until she heard one of the waitresses say that KENNEDY had just been shot. She recalled that this was at approximately 12:30 a.m. or 12:45 a.m. on June 5, 1968, and the bar manager immediately closed the bar. She went upstairs to the room service bar located adjacent to the main kitchen to turn in her money and check out.

She stated that she was unable to furnish any additional information concerning the shooting incident and SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was unknown to her. Further, she had never observed anyone resembling SIRHAN in or around the hotel.

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RATN WANTHIVANOND, Front Desk, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he is a resident of 840 Carondelet Street, Apartment 16, Los Angeles, and has been employed at the Ambassador since May 2, 1968. He advised that on the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed, he was on the front desk and only when the commotion in the lobby started did he determine that the Senator had been shot. He advised that he was not in the area of the shooting; therefore, could not comment concerning the incidents prior to or after the shooting. He stated that he never saw ~~SIRHAN~~ BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel nor did he notice a female wearing a white dress with polka dots.

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On June 10, 1968, WILLIAM V. WAYNE 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 had worked from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. He stated that he did not see anything of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY nor had he ever seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He was born on [REDACTED] in Chicago, Illinois, and resides at 4611 West Santa Barbara Avenue, Los Angeles, California. His Social Security Number is 565-74-8141.

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WILLIAM ARNOLD WILLIAMS, Night Manager, Wilshire Entrance Parking Lot, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he was on duty from approximately 4:30 PM, June 4, 1968, until 7 AM, June 5, 1968. He was in the parking lot the entire time and never in the hotel. A photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN was displayed to WILLIAMS and he stated that he had never seen this individual in or about the hotel prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

The following is a physical description obtained from observation and interview:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	[REDACTED], Benton, Kentucky
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	4146 Garden Avenue, Los Angeles, California
Telephone No.	NO 4-7494

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During the early morning hours of June 13, 1968, ORANGE WOMERLY, 1742 Summit, Pasadena, California, advised that he was born in Birmingham, Alabama, on [REDACTED], and he is currently employed as a Night Cleaner for the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

WOMERLY 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 in the area of the hotel where the shooting took place and he only learned of the shooting through persons milling about in the hotel lobby. He stated that he never saw Senator KENNEDY before or after the shooting.

WOMERLY was shown three photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and he advised that he had never seen SIRHAN before seeing the photographs of SIRHAN in newspapers.

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On June 10, 1968, Miss CLARA WOODARD advised she is employed as a Switchboard Operator, Switchboard Telephone Room, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, and was on duty the evening of June 4, 1968. She advised that she had left the hotel before ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot and, consequently, did not witness the shooting and had no information concerning SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

She advised she resides at 4210 South Dalton, Los Angeles, 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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Mrs. DIANE WYNN, Assistant Sales Manager, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised she was present at the hotel from approximately 9:20 a.m. to until 7:15 p.m. on June 4, 1968.

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

WYNN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
	[REDACTED], At Los Angeles, California
Marital Status	Married
Husband	ARNOLD E. WYNN
Residence	7819 Talbert Apartment 1 Playa Del Rey, California
Telephone	823-1378

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On June 11, 1968, ERNEST STEVE YANDRICH 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, June 5, 1968. He said that he was tending bar in the Palm Room which is located off the main lobby of the hotel and that he was not aware of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY until approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, when Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager entered and said that Mr. KENNEDY had been shot and for YANDRICH to close the bar down. He said he never left the bar but just concerned himself with cleaning up after the bar had been closed.

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

YANDRICH furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2804
Home Address	1254 El Centro, Hollywood, California
Home Telephone	HO 6-2616
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED], Lorain, Ohio

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SIROUS (NMN) YEGANNHE, Eighth Street Parking Lot attendant, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, was interviewed at his place of employment and advised that he worked from 4 PM, June 4, 1968, until 3:30 AM, June 5, 1968. At no time did he leave the parking lot and he was never in the hotel. YEGANNHE was displayed a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated that he had never seen this individual about the hotel parking lot on June 4, 1968.

The following physical description was obtained from observation and interview:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	[REDACTED], Teheran, Iran
Height	5'6"
Weight	152 pounds
Citizenship	Iranian
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Immigration and Naturalization No.	[REDACTED]
Residence	6565 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, California
Telephone	HO 5-9407

YEGANNHE concluded that at no time following 12:15 AM, did he remember two men running through the Eighth Street parking lot.

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RAMIRO YEPEZ-ARCEO, Dishwasher, Cash-Extra, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised he resides at 818 South Mariposa Street, Apartment 405, Los Angeles, and has no home telephone.

ARCEO advised he worked from 4:00 P.M. until 12:00 midnight on June 4, 1968. He stated he remained in the dishwasher's room the entire night and did not go into the area of the Embassy Room or the Embassy Room service pantry, where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. ARCEO learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot when another employee advised him of the fact, but he was unable to furnish any information of value in this investigation, even after viewing a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. ARCEO stated he remained in the dishwasher's room until 1:00 A.M., at which time he was released to go home.

ARCEO furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	San Antonio, Michoacan, Mexico
Height	5'7"
Weight	135
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Residence in U. S.	2½ years

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On June 10, 1968, THEODORE H. YOO 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.

YOO stated that he was tending bar in a temporary bar set up in the main lobby of the Ambassador Hotel and was not aware of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY until Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, arrived at his temporary bar at approximately 12:30 AM, June 5, 1968, and told him to close down his bar as Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

YOO stated that he had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel, didnot know him, and had never heard this name before.

YOO furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Oriental
Home Address	2756 West Ninth Street, Los Angeles, California
Clock No.	2809
Home Telephone No.	383-3814
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Birth Data	[REDACTED], Seoul, Korea

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On June 10, 1968, NIWA YOSHIO, a cook at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at the hotel at which time he furnished the following signed statement:

"June 10, 1968
Ambassador Hotel,
Los Angeles, California

"I, Niwa Yoshio, hereby furnish the following voluntary statement to Frank E. Chovanec who has identified himself to me as a special agent of the F.B.I.

"I have been advised that I could be required to appear before a court of law.

"I was born on [REDACTED] in Japan and arrived in the United States approximately five years ago. I reside at 2877 Edgehill Drive, Los Angeles, California and have been employed as a cook at the Ambassador Hotel since January, 1968. On June 4, 1968, I was working from 5 PM to 1 AM on June 5, 1968 in the 'coldmeat' department in the kitchen. I don't remember exactly at what time but it was shortly after 12 midnight when I heard a noise which sounded like a 'snap' of a party streamer. There were about five 'pops' or 'snaps' which did not sound like a gun.

"I ran from the kitchen, my station, to the Embassy service pantry. I saw a lot of people screaming and crying. I saw people holding a man who had a gun in his hand. I ran over to them and tried to reach over the steamer counter to grap his arm but someone

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"else held on to him and pulled him away further down along the service pantry and onto another steamer counter. Just before this they took the gun away from him. After this I held his arm for a short time but don't remember how long. Someone said to get a rope. So someone else took his arm while I went for a rope. I ran to the room service but didn't get a rope and came back to hold the man's arm again. I held his arm until the police arrived.

"While I did not see the shooting occur when I ran into the service pantry I heard someone say 'they shot him' and all I could think of was Senator Kennedy. I did not know the size of the gun but it was small and dark.

"The man I was holding was about 5 feet 3 or 4 inches and 'skinny'. He had wavey hair but I can't remember the color only that it was long. He had small eyes, thin lips and dark complexion. He wore a white shirt, no tie, and light blue jacket.

"I will never forget his face even though I have never seen him before. I do not know if he was with anyone else at the hotel.

"During the time I held him I did not hear him say anything.

"I have read the above statement consisting of this and two other pages and I have initialed each page and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Yoshio Niwa
June 10. 68

"Witnesses:
/s/ Frank E. Chovanec, Special Agent F.B.I.
/s/ Charles J. Nagle, Jr. Special Agent, F.B.I."

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JOHN EDWIN ZAJIC, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 4132 Hood Avenue, Burbank, residence phone 845-4433 advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

ZAJIC 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 ZARATE, Waiter, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence address 11222 Maid Stone Street, Norwalk, residence phone 868-5706, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

ZARATE 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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ANGEL ZAVADA, Porter, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised that he resides at 1744 New England Street, Los Angeles. On the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot, he was employed in the coffee shop and at no time was in the area of the shooting. He learned of the shooting when people started running about looking for medical assistance. He did not go to the area of the shooting due to the large crowds. He stated that he has never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN around the hotel and is sure this man was never an employee.

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

He stated that on the night of June 4, 1968, he worked from 3:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. and thereafter left the hotel. He stated that he did not know anything of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and had never seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He was born [REDACTED] in Switzerland and resides at 624 Bixel Street, Los Angeles, California.

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On June 10, 1968, MIGUEL (NMN) ZENDEJAS 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.

ZENDEJAS said that he was tending bar in the "Cave" which is a bar on the first floor of the hotel and not located in the area where Mr. KENNEDY was shot.

ZENDEJAS stated that he was not aware of the shooting until Mr. SALCEDO, Ambassador Hotel Bar Manager, came into the "Cave" at approximately 12:40 AM, June 5, 1968, and advised him to close down the bar as Mr. KENNEDY had been shot.

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

ZENDEJAS furnished the following background information concerning himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Clock No.	2805
Home Address	5034 Hubbard St., Los Angeles, California
Home Telephone No.	AN 4-1715
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED], Mexico City, Mexico

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RUBIN ZUAZUA, Bus Boy, Coconut Grove, Ambassador Hotel, residence 1860 South Beverly Glen Boulevard, Los Angeles, no residence phone, advised that he was off on the evening of June 4, 1968.

ZUAZUA 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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ALOYSIUS H. ZUGGER, Vice-President and General Manager of the Ambassador Hotel, advised as follows:

He was present in the Ambassador Hotel the whole day of June 4, 1968. On the evening of June 4, 1968, he was in all of the banquet rooms. He was in the Embassy Room during Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's victory speech and he left just before the speech ended and went home. He arrived at his home, which is on the grounds, at about 12:15 AM on June 5, 1968. After he had been home several minutes, he heard a siren near the hotel and he went back to the hotel. He went into the kitchen behind the Embassy Room at about 12:30 AM, and he saw neither SIRHAN SIRHAN nor Senator KENNEDY. ZUGGER was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and he advised that he has never seen the man.

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RONALD T. BENNETT, 2508 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, California, telephone 545-2614, who is employed as a staff photographer for United Press International (UPI), 1543 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite 438, Los Angeles, California, telephone 387-7221, furnished the following information with respect to his observations and knowledge of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on June 5, 1968:

He was given the assignment on June 4, 1968 to take photographs of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and at approximately 10:00 p.m. that evening he went to the Ambassador Hotel. He parked his car in the rear parking lot of the hotel and entered the hotel by the north main entrance. He then proceeded to look at the ballroom and other areas in the hotel to determine the possible position of the Senator and camera angles he could photograph him from to his, BENNETT's, best advantage. He had a drink at the bar and then proceeded to the Fifth Floor, where the KENNEDY suite was located and met an associate UPI photographer named DAVE KENNERLY, who was also covering the KENNEDY rally. He advised that on the left side was Senator KENNEDY's private room while to the right was a larger room containing a bar and many people. He and KENNERLY then milled around and he, BENNETT, shot some photographs of KENNEDY in the larger room where the bar was located. He recalls also that GLENN FORD was in this room and he thinks he obtained several shots of FORD talking with Senator KENNEDY.

Senator KENNEDY then left the larger room and retired to his bedroom, so he, BENNETT, followed him to see where he could get a better photograph of KENNEDY alone. He observed Senator KENNEDY standing by a dresser mirror reading a newspaper, and catching glimpses of the television coverage of the primary election results. He then asked the Senator if he could shoot a picture in the mirror of him and the Senator replied, "No not in my bedroom for Pete's sake". At that time

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one of the Senator's public relations men, named DICK TUCK, entered the room and berated BENNETT for attempting to photograph the Senator in his bedroom. TUCK then went into the hallway and made a joke of it to several of the other members of the press and photographers who were there.

He, BENNETT, waited in the hallway for approximately ten minutes for KENNEDY to leave his bedroom and go downstairs to the ballroom where the rally was taking place. KENNEDY did leave the bedroom and he proceeded toward the elevator. Since there was too large a crowd at that location for him to take any photographs, he and DAVE KENNERLY, who was with him at that time, ran down the stairs to try to get a photograph of Senator KENNEDY as he was disembarking from the elevator. He did not observe that the Senator disembarked from the elevator, but he noticed everyone who was downstairs, and also waiting for the Senator, leave the area and start toward the ballroom. He then recalls that someone said, "Here he comes.", referring to Senator KENNEDY and he observed the Senator approach the area of the ballroom.

BENNETT advised he was able to mount the platform directly behind ETHEL KENNEDY, while the rally was taking place. He took five or six photographs from that position with his wide angle 35mm Nikon, using Tri-X black and white negative film. He stated that one of these photographs was subsequently published as a UPI news photo.

Senator KENNEDY then made his speech and during this speech the pressures of the crowd kept shoving him into ETHEL KENNEDY and his camera jammed her in the back. She complained to several of the KENNEDY aides who were present and the next thing he knew, ROOSEVELT GRIER grabbed him from behind, placing one hand around his stomach, so as to prevent him from being pushed into Mrs. KENNEDY.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, he proceeded to shake hands with several people in the crowd and signed some

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autographs. He, BENNETT, thought that the Senator would leave the ballroom by going to his right, however, he left the area through some curtains, which were behind the podium. This led into the kitchen area and he, BENNETT, proceeded to follow as fast as he could. There were one or two individuals between himself and Senator KENNEDY as the group was making its way through the kitchen. Just as he, BENNETT, passed the metal doorway leading to the kitchen area, he heard what he later learned were five shots. At that time, he had the impression that firecrackers were going off. He does not recall the pattern of the shots that were fired, but they were very rapid. He does not recall seeing Senator KENNEDY fall to the ground, but as soon as he heard the shots being fired he, BENNETT, immediately dove to the floor. Directly to his right was a businessman, PAUL SCHRADE, who was struck in the head by one of the bullets. At that time he recalls seeing some greyish smoke in the air, but this was only an impression and he does not know specifically where the smoke came from. He then ducked behind a small doorway on the right side of the kitchen doorway, where he saw several people lying on the floor. He automatically started to shoot photographs of everything he saw.

He recalls he shot several photographs of Senator KENNEDY while the Senator was lying on the floor, and then he recalls he shot four or five photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. During this time, he also observed someone limping through the crowd and heard this individual say something, but he does not recall specifically what it was. He does not recall seeing Mrs. KENNEDY, however, upon observing some of the photographs that he shot she was in these photographs. He does recall her telling the crowd to move back and to give "him", referring to Senator KENNEDY, some air.

He then jumped up on the kitchen counter and took some photographs of the suspect from that angle. At that time SIRHAN still had a gun in one of his hands and several people seemed to be on top of him, either punching him or hitting him. PIERRE SALINGER then jumped up onto the counter

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and pushed him off of it. He recalls that SALINGER was crying at the time and was very upset with him for shooting photographs of Senator KENNEDY and SIRHAN. SALINGER also became angry with a woman photographer, whom he knows only as VIRGINIA. He recalls VIRGINIA had one of the KENNEDY aides, name unrecalled, tell him, BENNETT, not to shoot any more pictures.

As SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was being removed from the kitchen area, he, BENNETT, shot some more photographs of him. At that time, one of the KENNEDY aides attempted to get the ambulance driver to throw him, BENNETT, out, evidently thinking that the ambulance driver was a policeman. He recalls seeing another photographer by the name of RICHARD DREW from the "Pasadena Star News" newspaper standing near him and they exchanged a few pleasantries the nature of which he does not recall.

At that time Senator KENNEDY was still on the floor and several people were about him. Several policemen were also on the scene and they started to block off the area, thereby isolating the Senator from the crowd. He, BENNETT, was able to barge through several policemen and retrieve his Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office press pass, which had been knocked to the floor approximately two to three feet from Senator KENNEDY's outstretched legs, when he, BENNETT, was pushed from the counter by PIERRE SALINGER.

The ambulance drivers then began to remove Senator KENNEDY from the kitchen area, however, he did not wait to see the Senator placed in the ambulance, but instead ran to a telephone and called his office, telling his supervisor, GLEN WAGNER, what had occurred.

He then ran out to the rear parking lot of the Ambassador Hotel to look for his car, but he could not find it for five or ten minutes. When he got his car started, the police had the area barricaded, so he parked his car, leaving

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some of his camera equipment in it, and then ran toward Eighth Street, which is the street directly to the south of the Ambassador Hotel, and after showing his press pass to a policeman was able to get through the barricaded area. He then stopped about three automobiles and asked the drivers for a ride, but no one would give him one, until three girls in a sportscar came along and consented to give him a ride to his office. A police car then pulled alongside them and he was able to ask them to give him a ride to his office. He climbed into the police car and they were about to proceed to his office, which is some distance from the Ambassador Hotel, when the policemen told him they could not leave the area. He then disembarked from the police car and found a pay telephone and was able to call his supervisor, GLEN WAGNER, and ask him to send someone to pick him up. At that time a taxicab came by, so he hung up the telephone and hailed the taxicab, and immediately proceeded to his office.

He recalls that he took a total of two and a half rolls of 35mm film, thirty six exposures of film to a roll, however, one of the rolls did not turn out due to an error in threading it while at the Ambassador Hotel. All the photographs were developed by HOWARD DECKER, who was then at the UPI office. BENNETT stated that all the photographs that appeared in the newspapers were UPI photographs taken by him and the negatives of these photographs were immediately forwarded to Mr. CLIFF MC DOWELL, Vice President, UPI Newspapers, 220 East 42nd Street, New York City.

BENNETT advised that the above information is true and correct to the best of his knowledge. He further advised that he does not recall seeing a young female caucasian in a polkadot dress at any time on June 4 or 5, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel, principally in the kitchen area, just before or after Senator KENNEDY was shot.

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HANS PETER BIDSTRUP advised that he is an Electrician in the Maintenance Department of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, and resides at 1886 North Avenue, Los Angeles. He stated he was born on [REDACTED], at Skorup, Denmark, and his wife is IRNA BIDSTRUP, who resides with him.

Mr. BIDSTRUP advised that he arrived on duty at the hotel at approximately 8:00 AM on Tuesday, June 4, 1968, and left the hotel at approximately midnight the same date. He stated that he left the hotel before the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and had no first hand knowledge of the happenings involved in this incident.

Mr. BIDSTRUP was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and asked if he had seen this individual prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. Concerning his knowledge in this respect, he furnished the following signed statement:

"Los Angeles, Calif.
June 10, 1968

"I, Hans Peter Bidstrup, make the following voluntary free statement to John H. Borgman, who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the FBI.

"My name is Hans Peter Bidstrup. I was born on [REDACTED] at Skorup, Denmark. I reside at 1886 North Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif. I am employed as an electrician in the Maintenance Dept. of the Ambassador Hotel.

"On the night of June 4, 1968 I was the standby electrician in the sound booth at the Rafferty Party in the Venetian Room at the Ambassador Hotel. At about one hour before I went off duty, which would be about 11 p.m. a man wandered into the booth.

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"He sat down on a spool of wire. He had a drink in his hand. I am not a drinking man, so I don't know what kind of a drink he had but it was clear with a milky white cast and had in it what appeared to be a piece of lime and a small red object which looked like a piece of red candy to me. It was round on one side and flat on the bottom.

"As best I can recall this man began the conversation by saying 'I'm a Democrat'. He asked me if I was a Democrat and I replied that I was. He then asked me what I was doing, or what my job was. I told him I was an electrician and possibly I went into a little detail as to what my duties were.

"Also, after I had told this man I was a Democrat he held out his hand and shook hands with me. He then inquired something to the effect as to whether Senator Kennedy was going to be at the hotel that night. I told him I thought he was. The man appeared to be drinking, he did not appear intoxicated, but drinking just enough to be talkative. For this reason I did not pay too much attention to the sequence of the conversation & cannot remember the exact words, for the most part, used by this individual.

"This man asked in what room or on what floor Kennedy was staying, when Kennedy was coming in or if Kennedy was then in the hotel. I don't remember that I knew at the time so I couldn't tell him. The man made some inquiry concerning Kennedy's security. I think it had to do with whether or not Kennedy had bodyguards. Although I'm not sure it was as direct as this but this is the impression I have recalling it now.

"While we were talking, a Los Angeles fireman in uniform came into the booth. The man stopped his conversation and seemed to take

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"particular attention of the fireman. He asked the fireman what he was doing or what his capacity was. The fireman explained to the man that he was a fireman and was there for crowd control and fire security. The man appeared to take less interest in the fireman after this.

"The fireman left shortly thereafter. The man also asked when Kennedy was going to come to the hotel. I didn't know.

"The fireman left and returned a short time later, staying a few minutes & left again. It was about this time that the man left. About the same time as the fireman left. However, I don't recall if the two left together, or if the man left before or after the fireman.

"The sound booth was in an isolated section of the Venetian Room. The man came alone and did not meet anyone outside the booth and to the best of my knowledge was alone.

"The man who talked to me in the sound booth looks very much like the photo of Sirhan Sirhan shown to me by SA Borgman.

"I had, prior to the time that I talked to SA Borgman, seen pictures of Sirhan in the newspaper but the description of Sirhan in the newspaper stated Sirhan had an accent & the man I talked to had no accent. So, altho I was struck by the similarity between the newspaper photos of Sirhan and the man I talked to, because of the accent ascribed to Sirhan by the newspaper, I did not mention the incident to the authorities.

"The man I talked to in the sound booth in the Venetian Room I would describe as follows:

"male
Caucasian

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"about 22 years
5'6" to 5'7"
130 to 140 lbs.
slender build
no glasses
no moustache
dark curly hair; full head of hair
medium dark complexion
wearing no hat; faded dark blue sweatshirt
with a full zipper down the front and long
sleeves; shirt of unknown color under the
sweatshirt; blue denim trousers.
No noticeable accent.

"I have read the above 8 page statement and it
is true to the best of my knowledge.

"/s/ Hans Bidstrup

"Witness: /s/ John H. Borgman, Spc. Agt. FBI, LA,
Calif_ 6/10/68

"Witness: /s/ Robert E. Sage, Special Agent, FBI,
L.A._ Calif. 6/10/68"

Mr. BIDSTRUP described the fireman who came into
the sound booth at the Venetian Room while the above-described
individual was in the booth as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	30 years
Height	6'
Weight	180 pounds
Build	Medium
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Possibly blond
Dress	Wearing uniform of Los Angeles Fire Department

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ELMER M. BOOMHOWER, employee of the Ace Guard Service, Granada Hills, California, was interviewed at his residence, 10150 Collett Avenue, Granada Hills. He advised that he was on guard duty at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968, starting at 6:00 p.m. Prior to taking up a position on the fifth floor in the vicinity of the KENNEDY suite (the Presidential suite of the Ambassador) WILLIAM F. GARDNER, Security Officer of the Ambassador, had displayed to him an orange-colored pamphlet with black lettering which bore the caption, "Kill KENNEDY." GARDNER then instructed him not to permit the passing of such pamphlets in the area where he, BOOMHOWER, was working on the fifth floor that evening. BOOMHOWER said he could not recall any other specific details concerning the pamphlet except that it had some kind of insignia indicating the source of the pamphlet.

BOOMHOWER also stated that among the persons he had permitted to enter the KENNEDY suite earlier on the evening of June 4, 1968, were the following CBS and newspaper men:

Mr. BRUNO
Mr. BARRY
Mr. TUCK
Mr. SMITH
Mr. DUTTON

He stated that possibly a Mr. DRAIN (phonetic) had also entered the suite. He said he was not aware whether any of these individuals were in the Embassy Room at the time that Mr. KENNEDY was shot in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

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THERESA L. CHRISTIANSON, 131 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, was interviewed at this location and furnished the following information:

She is sixteen years of age, having been born [REDACTED], at Santa Monica, California. At approximately 3:30 p.m. on the evening of June 4, 1963, she arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, accompanied by her girl friend, MYONN HYMER, 1175 South Windsor Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the purpose of attending a celebration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, candidate in the California Presidential primary.

As CHRISTIANSON was standing near a metal bar (serving alcoholic beverages) toward the rear of the southwest portion of the ballroom, she became aware of a male individual standing immediately behind her, less than one foot away. Although she did not look this individual directly in the face, she observed his face by looking in a mirror approximately four feet in front of her behind the bar. CHRISTIANSON noted that she and this individual were the only ones in the immediate area, and she thought it odd that he would stand so close to her. CHRISTIANSON believes that this man stood behind her for between four to five minutes. During the entire four or five minutes, she observed this man in the mirror. She felt a hard object brush against her right hip, approximately waist high, and feels that this object was either a belt buckle or something in the man's pocket. At this point, CHRISTIANSON stated, "Would you please move?," and the man replied only, "Yes," in a nervous voice and walked toward the east side of the ballroom, disappearing from CHRISTIANSON's sight.

CHRISTIANSON advised that she has mentioned the above individual to HYMER and that HYMER told her that she did not see the man. CHRISTIANSON further noted that the bartender at the nearby bar had gone to get some Coke for

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