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REMYTEL JANUARY EIGHT LAST.

TRAIL OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN RECONVENED TODAY AT WHICH TIME DEFENSE ADVISED COURT IT DESIRED TO PRESENT ARGUMENTS TO SUPPORT THEIR OBJECTION TO THE SELECTION OF PETIT JURY. INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO COURT FOR CONSIDERATION CONSISTS OF ONE THOUSAND TEN PAGES. COURT ADJOURNED UNTIL NINE THIRTY AM JANUARY THIRTEEN NEXT. TO AFFORD DEFENSE OPPORTUNITY TO DELINEATE THOSE POINTS IT INTENDS TO UTILIZE: TO ENABLE PROSECUTION TO FORMULATE OBJECTIONS: AND TO ENABLE COURT TO STUDY ARGUMENTS SUBMITTED.

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TO:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM:

DIRECTOR, FBI

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REURTELS JANUARY NINE LAST.

SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN SHOULD PROCEED TO WASHINGTON, D. C., ARRIVING IN SUFFICIENT TIME IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY FOURTEEN NEXT.

SA NOLAN WILL ATTEND THIS CONFERENCE ACCOMPANIED BY BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE.

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UNITED STATES GO 1emorandum Callahan Contad DATE: 1-9-69 Mr. Bishop TO M. A. Jones FROM WILLIAM MATTHEW BYRNE, JR. UBIECT: UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (USA) CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA REQUEST MEETING WITH DIRECTOR 11 A.M., 1-13-69 KansaLT BACKGROUND: By teletype 1-8-69, SAC, Los Angeles, advised that captioned individual plans to be in Washington, D. C., Monday through Wednesday, 1/13-15/69, for conferences at the Department of Justice. SAC advises that Byrne, who has always cooperated with the Bureau, is an admirer of the Director and has always regreted he has not had the opportunity to meet Mr. Hoover. Byrne would like to briefly meet Mr. Hoover and have a picture taken. He has no particular problems to discuss. The Director has indicated he will see Byrne on Monday, 1-13-69, at 11 a.m. The meeting has been confirmed with Byrne. 15 KNOWN BYRNE INFORMATION IN BUFILES: Byrne was born on 9-3-30 at Los Angeles, California, and is the son of the former United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, who retired in 6-66. Byrne received a B.S. degree from the University of Southern California in 1953 and an LL.B. degree from that school in 1956. He served in the United States Air Force from 1956 to 1958. From 1958 to 196 he served as an Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) for the Southern District of California, after which he engaged in the practice of law at Los Angeles. He has been USA at Los Angeles since 3-67. We investigated Byrne in 1958 in connection with his appointment as AUSA and again in 1966 in connection with his appointment as USA. Those investigations were favorable. No unfavorable information has been received. regarding Byrne since our 1966 investigation. He has been under consideration for appointment as United States District Judge, Central District of California. He is on the Special Correspondents List. Our files do not reveal Byrne has previously met Mr. Hoover. No arrest record could be located on him. RECOMMENDATION: For the information of the Director. Grapp, Les Argu 1 - Miss Holmes 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Bishop G:ccm (8) RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176 With A Sur JAN 281969

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SASSINATION OF SENATUR BOBERT F. KENNEDY

TRIAL OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN RECONVENED TODAY AND COMMENCED WITH PROCEEDINGS IN JUDGE'S CHAMBERS. CHAMBER PROCEEDINGS ACTIVITIES TO SELECT JURY COMMENCED WHICH TOOK UP REMAINDER OF DAY AND NO JUROR SEATED WHEN COURT ADJOURNED. PRIOR TO ACTIVITIES TWOARDS SILECTING JURY. JUDGE HERBERT V. WALKER DENIED DEFENSE MOTION PREVIOUSLY MADE TO TEST UNCONSTITUTIONALITY OF SELECTING PETIT JURY.

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On 11/5/68, the following records were checked at Dallas with negative results in an effort to identify Jose Car (or Carr).

Indices of Dallas Office, FBI, 1968 Dallas telephone directory, 1968 Dallas city directory, Credit Bureau Services records checked by Mrs. Birdie Sue Belcher, Dallas PD Identification Bureau records checked by J. G. Vickery, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Identification Bureau, Records Section checked by Deputy Sheriff James Kitching, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records checked by SA Anton Pavelka, Dallas City Water Department records checked by Ira Van Cleve.

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On 11/7/68, contact was made with the following companies with negative results in Dallas handling imports and exports in an effort to indentify Jose Car (or Carr) through these companies.

Handal and Sons, Inc. 8903 Sovereign Row Mrs. Hanson

H. T. Ardinger and Sons 9040 Governor's Row

N. Y. Merchandise Company 1717 Irving Boulevard Mrs. McRae

Centennial Liquors, Inc. [X] 5619 E. Lovers Lane Mr. McKinney

Penland Liquors, Inc. 10707 Harry Hines Boulevard Mr. Kotecki

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On 11/15/68, Mr. Herbert Hughes, Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., Dallas, advised his company's records do not contain any reference to Jose Car (or Carr). On the same date SA Don Stowell, United States Customs Bureau, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, advised as follows:

Records of U. S. Customs Bureau negative regarding anyone by the name of Jose Car (or Carr). Stowell said customs records contain information covering one Jose Antonio Cal-y-Gato born April 13, 1934, in Havana, Cuba. Cal is a Cuban refugee, 5'10", 140 pounds, blond hair, green eyes, Immigration and Naturalization number A Social Security Number Cal entered the United States 6/15/62 at Miami, Florida, and his last known address is 1132 Wake Drive, Richardson, Texas, a Dallas suburb. His mother Marie Cal resides at 238 Northwest 48th Street in Miami, Florida. His common-law wife is Sylvia Cameja-y-Romero. She was born May 4, 1939, in Havana, Cuba. She is 5'6", 125 pounds, black eyes, brown eyes, Immigration and Naturalization file A

Stowell stated the Immigration and Naturalization Services and Customs Bureau investigation regarding Cal indicates he has been employed in Dallas at the Curtis Mathis Company as a television technician from September, 1962, until August, 1966. He was employed at the Industrial Research Company, Dallas, from August, 1966, until December, 1966. Although his whereabouts are not known to the Customs Bureau, he has also been employed in Dallas as a waiter in various hotels.

Cal is of interest to the Customs Bureau because his brother was arrested in the State of Nebraska for smuggling marijuana, and the investigation indicates Jose Cal rented the car his brother was driving at the time of the brother's arrest.

From the background information set forth above regarding Jose Antonio Cal-y-Gato it does not appear he is identical with Jose Car (or Carr).

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ROBERT F. KENNED,

REMYTEL DATED JANUARY THIRTEEN LAST.

ACTIVITIES IN TRIAL OF SIRHAN. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT. CONTINUED TODAY. ATTORNEYS FOR PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE CONTINUED EXAMINING PROSPECTIVE JURORS. QUESTIONING ON PART OF DEFENSE ATTORNEYS CENTERS AROUND PROSPECTIVE JURORS OPINIONS REGARDING SCIENCE OF PSYCHOLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY AND THEIR FEELINGS FOR "TOOLS" USED IN THOSE PROFESSIONS SUCH AS HYPNOSIS, SODIUM PENTOTHAL, RORSCHACH TESTS, ETC. PROSPECTIVE JURORS ALSO CLOSELY QUESTIONED BY DEFENSE ATTORNEYS REGARDING ABILITY TO DETERMINE LEGALITY OF "REDUCED" WHICH DEFENSE ATTORNEYS APPARENTLY INTEND TO PURSUE. 18 JAN 21 1969

PANEL OF TWENTY FIVE PROSPECTIVE JURORS EXHAUSTED PROCEEDINGS DURING AFTERNOON SESSION TODAY, THERE WAS SELECTION OF FIFTEEN ADDITIONAL PROSPECTIVE JURORS. TO THIS DATE, NO END PAGE ONE

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JUROR HAS BEEN SEATED AS JURY MEMBER. ALL PROSPECTIVE JURORS
THUS FAR ELIMINATED HAVE BEEN FOR CAUSE, PERSONAL SITUATIONS, OR
POSSIBLE ECONOMIC HARDSHIP.

ONE ASPECT OF EXAMINATION OF PROSPECTIVE JURORS CENTERS
AROUND THEIR APPARENT FEELINGS CONCERNING CASE AS BROUGHT
TO THEIR ATTENTION BY VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA SINCE ASSASSINATION.

EACH INDIVIDUAL JUROR IS EXAMINED IN CHAMBERS BY ATTORNEYS, NOT
IN OPEN COURT WITH RESPECT PUBLICITY MAY HAVE HAD UPON EACH OF THEM.

PROCEDURE IN DAILY COURT SESSIONS COMMENCES WITH COURT
CONVENING AT NINE THIRTY A.M. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER,
APPROXIMATELY FORTY FIVE MINUTES SPENT IN JUDGES CHAMBERS
WITH ATTORNEYS FOR PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE PRESENT. FURTHER
PROCEEDINGS THEN CONTINUE IN OPEN COURT UNTIL NOON, WHEN THE
LUNCH RECESS IS TAKEN. HERBERT V. WALKER, PRESIDING
JUDGE, GRANTED BRIEF PRESS CONFERENCE TO MEMBERS OF NEWS MEDIA WHO
HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO INTERVIEW HIM REGARDING CASE. HE HAS
PREVIOUSLY STATED TIME WILL NOT PERMIT HIM TO GRANT ALL INTERVIEWS
REQUESTED. HE PROPOSES TO DO SO ON BASIS OF TIME AVAILABLE.

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Memorandum

TO

Mr. Bishop

DATE:

1-13-69

FROM

G. E. Malmfeldt

SUBJECT:

DREW PEARSON

WTOP NEWS, CHANNEL 9

SUNDAY, 1-12-69

Above-captioned program was monitored by Special Agent Harold C. Swanson, Correspondence and Tours Section. Pearson predicted that Stokely Carmichael would leave the country after the 20th of January and possibly take refuge in Guinea which he described as a pro-Communist country. Pearson predicted this action on the part of Carmichael as he feared of a Justice Department crackdown on him under the new administration.

Pearson also predicted that Sirhan Sirhan would be found guilty of the murder of Robert F. Kennedy and would receive the death penalty.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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HEARD THIS CONVERSATION CARRIED ON BY SAID MRS. HANSEN, A
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THE TWO LETTERS AND ENVELOPES APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BY SAME PERSON.

SA ANTHONY SHERMAN, SECRET SERVICE, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED OF FOREGOING JANUARY FOURTEEN INSTANT, TEN THIRTY A.M., BY SA THEODORE J. A HEARN.

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TO U.S. SECRET SERVICE - INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156)

RE MY TEL DATED JANUARY SEVENTEEN LAST.

PROCEEDINGS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SPERIOR COURT IN TRIAL OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN RECONVENED TODAY. DAY SPENT IN MECHANICS OF CONTINUING TO SELECT JURY.

ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN LAST PROSECUTIONS ADVISED COURT THEY WERE WILLING TO ACCEPT JURY AS THEN CONSTITUTED. TODAY, HOWEVER, ONE OF THE TENTATIVE JUROR MBERS SEATED JANUARY SEVENTEEN LAST WAS DISMISSED. PROSECUTION THEN ENTERED MOTION TO WITHDRAW THEIR MOTION OF JANUARY SEVENTEEN LAST, WHICH WAS GRANTED BY COURT. THUS FAR PROSECUTION HAS EXERCISED ONE PREMPTORY CHALLENGE AND DEFENSE HAS EXERCISED TWO, SUCH CHALLENGES.

FURTHER PROCEEDINGS TOWARDS SELECTING JURY TO CONTINUE

JANUARY TWENTY-TWO NEXT.

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Mr. Tolson... Mr. DeLoach Mr. Mohr Mr. Bishop ... Mr. Casper Mr. Callaban ... Mr. Conrad... Mr. Felt. Mr. Gale., Mr. Rosen Mr. Sullivan Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room. Miss Holmes. Miss Gandy.

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GENERAL INVESTIGATE DIVISION

The attached pertains to developments in the trial of Sirhan B. Sirhan for the murder of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

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ROBERT F. KENNEDY

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED JANUARY FIFTEEN, LAST.

SIRHAN TRIAL CONTINUED TODAY AND EFFORTS BY DEFENSE AND PROSECUTION ATTORNEYS STILL BEING DIRECTED TOWARDS SELECTING JURY.

AS OF CLOSE OF BUSINESS, TWELVE PROSPECTIVE JURORS HAVE
BEEN SEATED. OF THE TWELVE, ONE, ALVINA ALVIDREZ, WHILE
SEATED TENTATIVELY HAS NOT BEEN RULED UPON FOR CAUSE. DEFENSE
DESIRES TO RETAIN HER AS JUROR WHILE PROSECUTION WISHES TO HAVE
HER DISMISSED FOR CAUSE. HERBERT V. WALKER, PRESIDING JUDGE 15 JAN 22 1969
IS TAKING MATTER UNDER FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND WILL POSSIBLY!
RULE. REGARDING ALVIDREZ. JANUARY SEVENTEEN. NEXT.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THERE WILL BE NO TRIAL ACTIVITY ON &
JANUARY TWENTY, NEXT, SINCE DEFENSE ATTORNEY GRANT B. COOPER
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Tele. Room Miss Holmes Miss Gandy conduct these examinations, it is possible that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office could handle the ballistics examination.

The current policy of the Bureau with regard to conducting examinations of material already handled by other experts was explained to Deputy Chief HOUGHTON and to the District Attorney's Office. However, they requested that this matter be referred to our Washington headquarters for consideration.

The trial of SIRHAN B. SIR tered into its preliminary stages as of 1/7/69 and at the present time is engaged in the filing and hearing of motions on the part of the Defense.

It is recommended that, in view of the trial being under way and the long standing policy of the FBI Laboratory concerning examinations, and also that there is little or nothing to be gained for the FBI in conducting these examinations, the District Attorney and the LAPD be advised that these examinations cannot be conducted.

It should be noted that the information concerning Officer WOLFER's ballistics examination being attacked in the KIRSCHKE case is a matter of extreme confidence within the District Attorney's Office at Los Angeles.

The Bureau is requested to advise at the earliest possible time.

January 17, 1969 GENERAL INVESTIGATI DIVISION

The attached pertains to current developments in the trial of Sirhan B. Sirhan in connection with the murder of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy. The controversial juror referred to herein has indicated she is stedfastly apposed to a death penalty. If she is dismissed for cause, possibility exists defense can claim jury "death orientated" and maybe grounds for appeal. California law requires separate trial in murder cases to fix penalty. Juror's retention, therefore, would create legal problems in connection with sentencing.

Cooper's appearance in U.S. District Court 1/20/next, involves sentancing to several subjects in the case concerning electroine cheating at the Beverly Hills Friar's Club where well known industrialists and show people were victimized. Cooper

was a defense attorney.

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IS SCHEDULED FOR APPEARANCE IN U. S. DISTRICT COURT, LOS ANGELES, WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITY ATTENDANT TO RECENTLY COMPLETED FRIARS CLUB PROSECUTION.

LOS ANGELES WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED.

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Transmit the following	FBI Date: 1/9/69 (Type in plaintext or code)	Mr. Tolson Mr. DeLa Mr. Mohr Mr. Bishop Mr. Casper Mr. Callaha Mr. Felt Mr. Gala Mr. Rose Mr. Sullivat Mr. Tavel
Via AIRTEL	AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY (Priority)	Mr. Trotter Tele. Room.
TO: FROM	DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587) SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)(P) KENSALT Re: FBI LABORATORY EXAMINATIONS	Miss Gandy
tained or HOUGHTON ducted for Investigation Angeles SIRHAN. recent murder or testimon major fact that it is petition case some of WOLFE It is for desire the back up further and the start of the start	urder case involving former Deputy District Att of Los Angeles wherein KIRSCHKE was found guil f his wife and her paramour, WOLFER also furnis y concerning ballistics examinations that was octors in the conviction of KIRSCHKE. HOUGHTON was learned on an extremely confidential basis for a writ of habeas corpus will be filed in te time within the next thirty days wherein the R's ballistics examination will be subject to a r this reason that the LAPD and District Attorn hat independent examinations be conducted in or the testimony of Officer WOLFER. Deputy Chief advised that should the FBI not be in a position of the conducted of the conducted that should the FBI not be in a position of the conducted of the conduc	s ascer- A. een con- Scientifiche Los SIRHAN B. ratively orney JACK ty of the hed the ne of the advised that a he KIRSCHKI validity ttack. ey's Office der to HOUGHTON

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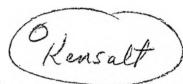


DEPARTMENT OF **POLICE**150 N. LOS ANGELES ST.
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OUR REF. NO. 6.24

January 7, 1969

Wesley Grapp Special Agent In Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation 1340 West Sixth Street Los Angeles, California



The investigation of the Senator Robert F. Kennedy assassination has been distinguished by a mutual and parallel undertaking on the part of this Department and personnel of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This duplication of effort by our two agencies has resulted in a completed investigation painstakingly thorough and accurate to a degree commensurate with the historical significance of the incident.

Criminalists from the Los Angeles Police Department made the necessary examinations and conducted the related analyses of all the physical evidence connected with the case. Desiring to maintain the highest level of integrity in every phase of the investigation, the Chief of Police and the District Attorney agree that a back-up analysis by personnel of your agency would obviously strengthen this phase of the investigation. A separate and independent analysis would be of value in later refuting any claims attacking the validity of the examination by a single department and should preclude disputes or frivolous complaints.

If such an analysis can be made by your agency, the District Attorney recommends that in the interest of preserving the control and continuity of evidence that it be done at the Los Angeles Police Department using our laboratory facilities and equipment as required.

THOMAS REDDIN Chief of Police

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ROBERT A. HOUGHTON, Deputy Chief Commander, Detective Bureau JAN 23 1969