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With respect to his interest in the medical-legal center mentioned above, Doctor POLLACK expressed an intention to contact appropriate representatives of the American Bar Association for the purpose of consulting with that organization and discussing his views.

The foregoing is being brought to the attention of the Bureau for information purposes, and any consideration the Bureau may desire to afford it.

SAC, WFO

March 10, 1970

Director, FBI (62-587)

1 - Mr. Schutz

KENSALT

ReNYlet 2-27-70 captioned "Gheorghe Buzdugan, IS - RO; OO: New York."

WFO should immediately interview Buzdugan and determine complete facts relative to the allegation made by George F. A. Boian.

Your attention is directed to the fact that Ambassador Sargent Shriver was not appointed Ambassador to Paris until well after Robert F. Kennedy's assassination.

Expedite.

- 2 - New York (44-1640)
- 2 - Los Angeles (56-156) (Enc.)
- 1 - (105-202465)

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NOTE: A New York source who has furnished reliable and unreliable information in the past advised that on 2-23-70 Gheorghe Buzdugan, a Romanian refugee, had furnished information relative to the death of the late Robert F. Kennedy indicating he knew the conspirators in Europe who planned Kennedy's assassination. Among other things he advised he had received a \$10,000 check from Senator Kennedy shortly before his death. Buzdugan claimed to have contacted Ambassador Sargent Shriver the day after Kennedy's death at the American Embassy in Paris and was told to wait until Kennedy's affairs were put in order before making further effort to cash the check. The information furnished by Buzdugan appears to be without foundation, however, we are checking it out.

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Mr. Conrad

March 3, 1970

W. D. Griffith

EXAMINATION OF HYPNOTIC WRITINGS

(KENSALL)

During the recent American Academy of Forensic Sciences meeting in Chicago, Dr. Seymour Pollack, psychiatrist at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, presented a discussion of hypnotic writings which he classified as automatic writings.

Dr. Pollack stated that his study followed the claim made in the Sirhan Sirhan trial that the writings in Sirhan's notebook were prepared while Sirhan was under a state of self hypnosis. This claim was successfully refuted during the trial of Sirhan.

Subsequent to the trial, Dr. Pollack conducted experiments concerning automatic (hypnotic) writings. In his experiments he requested that each subject present normal undictated writings prepared prior to the experiment. He also obtained dictated handwriting samples which were written prior to hypnosis. He then obtained dictated writings prepared under hypnosis. Finally, he obtained handwriting samples subsequent to hypnosis.

Dr. Pollack then subsequently presented the handwriting samples to Lawrence Sloan, Sr., document examiner, Los Angeles, with the request that Sloan determine which of the writings were prepared under hypnosis. Dr. Pollack reported that Sloan erred in about 70 per cent of his determinations in labeling as being automatic (hypnotic)

- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- 1 - Mr. Brittain
- 1 - Mr. Cadigan
- 1 - Mr. Oberg
- 1 - Mr. Webb
- 1 - Mr. Williams
- 1 - Mr. Bohn

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- 1 - Expert file of Lawrence Sloan, Sr., document examiner for Los Angeles, California, Prosecutor's Office

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Memorandum to Mr. Conrad
Re: Examination of Hypnotic Writings

writings certain of the writings examined. This was the result of comparisons with normal writings of the subjects. Sloan also reportedly made 100 per cent error in labeling the writings prepared subsequent to hypnosis as being automatic (hypnotic) writings.

Dr. Pollack appears to be an extremely competent psychiatrist and was very sincere in his discussions. He suggested that Sloan's errors may have been the result of "over predicting," as frequently happens in the psychiatric field. Also, Dr. Pollack stated that he considered the field of hypnotic writings a proper field for experiments.

The above observations would tend to indicate that Sloan may have made a series of speculations in his examinations, that there was an insufficient amount of writings available to suitably permit positive determinations, and possibly that some hypnotic writings cannot be determined from examination.

ACTION: None. For information.

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March 19, 1970

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1 - Mr. Schutz

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)

FROM: Director, FBI (62-587) - 1227

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New York expedite inquiries that division and advise.

No action being taken to obtain data re Buzdugan through Senator Edward Kennedy's Office at this time.

- 1 - WFO (Information)
- 1 - Los Angeles (Information)

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Date: 3/13/70

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135)(P)

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ReNYlet 2/27/70, captioned "GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN, IS - RO", and Bulet to WFO dated 3/10/70, captioned as above.

Information furnished in reNYlet advised BUZDUGAN apparently came to WDC on or about 2/24/70, to contact an unidentified lawyer friend from Arad, Romania. WFO is unable to identify this lawyer on basis of information furnished. WFO has no information that BUZDUGAN in fact came to WDC or may be here at the present time. WFO has no information as to present whereabouts of BUZDUGAN. WFO files contain no information identifiable with BUZDUGAN other than mentioned in reNYlet.

On 3/10/70, IC HUGH L. KNIGHT ascertained on basis of information furnished, files of the Central Office, INS contain no identifiable record re BUZDUGAN. WFO has outstanding leads at USDS, Sy and Visa Offices for information those offices may have re subject.

- ② - Bureau
- 2 - Los Angeles (56-156)(RM)(AM)
- 2 - New York (44-1640)(RM)
- 2 - WFO
- (1-105-95232)(BUZDUGAN)

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WFO 173-135

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

Bureau is requested, through liaison to ascertain at office of Senator EDWARD KENNEDY if BUZDUGAN is known to that office.

LEAD

NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK Locate and interview GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN through coverage of lead previously set forth at Port Authority police and/or reinterview of the original source, GEORGE F. A. BOIAN.

Bureau has requested leads be covered expeditiously.

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Date: 3/19/70

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135)(P)

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(OO:LA)

ReWFOairtel dated 3/13/70.

Enclosed for Chicago is one Xerox copy of NYlet to Bureau, dated 2/27/70, captioned "GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN, IS - RO."

Bureau has requested an immediate interview of BUZDUGAN concerning his alleged knowledge of the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. (WFO unable to locate BUZDUGAN in WDC. NYO is attempting to locate and interview him in NYC).

On 3/18/70, IC HUGH L. KNIGHT caused a recheck to be made of files at INS Central Office and was advised that INS File Number A- 10 697 399 re one GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN, born 8/3/33, was charged to INS, Chicago, as of 3/19/59. WFO has no information this individual may or may not be identical with subject of enclosed NYlet.

- ② Bureau
- 2- Chicago (Enc. 1)(RM)
- 1- Los Angeles (56-156)(Info)(RM)(AM)
- 1- New York (44-1640)(RM)
- 2- WFO
- (1- 105-95232)(BUZDUGAN)

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WFO 173-135

LEAD

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Review INS File A- 10 697 399 re GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN and obtain photo if available. Furnish results to NYO with copy to WFO including photo. Bureau has requested leads be covered expeditiously.

April 2, 1970

AIRTEL

1-Mr. Schutz

TO: SAC, New York

FROM: Director, FBI

KENSALT

NYFILE: 44-1640

BUFILE: 62-587

GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN

IS - RO

NYFILE: 105-107202

BUFILE: 105-202465

ReNYlet dated 3/23/70 in which the Buzdugan caption was utilized.

The attention of the New York Office is directed to the fact that active inquiry is being conducted under Kensalt caption. Be guided accordingly in the future.

1 - WFO (1736135) (For Information)
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1 - Los Angeles (56-156)

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Mr. Steven Germano
148 Wagon Lane West
Centereach, New York 11720

Dear Mr. Germano:

In reply to your letter received on March 30th, Sirhan Bishara Sirhan was arrested and prosecuted by local authorities in Los Angeles, California, for the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Since this Bureau has no authority to independently release any information concerning this matter, I am unable to be of further help to you.

Enclosed is material regarding the work of the FBI which I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (4)
The Story of the FBI
What it's like to be an FBI Agent
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FBI Career Opportunities

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondent.

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March 17, 1970
Steven Germano
148 Wagon Lane W.
Centereach, N. Y. 11720

Dear Sirs,

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

I would like to know if you might be able to send me some information on Sirhan Sirhan. I could use it in a report I am writing. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours

Steven Germano

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March 17, 1970
Steven Germano
148 Wagon Lane W
Centereach, N.Y. 11718

Dear Sirs,

I would like to know if
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some information on Sirhan Sirhan.
I could use it in a report I am
writing. Thank you very much.

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Sincerely yours
Steven Germano

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Date: 4/7/70

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, WFO (173-135) (RUC)
KENSALT
(OO: LA)

ReWFOairtel to Bureau dated 3/13/70.

On 4/3/70, SA KENNETH J. HASER ascertained files of USDS, Security and Visa Offices contain no information identifiable with GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN.

This matter considered RUCd by WFO.

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- ② - Bureau
- 1 - Los Angeles (56-156)(RM)(AM)
- 2 - New York (44-1640)(RM)
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- 2 - WFO
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/29/70

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

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LAfile (56-156)
NYfile (44-1640)
(OO:LA)

DATE 8-11-86 BY SP6 B. J. P. / H. [Signature]
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GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN
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(OO:NY)

ReWFOairtel to the Bureau dated 4/7/70, entitled, "KENSALT, (OO:LA)," and NYlet to the Bureau dated 3/23/70, entitled, "GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN, IS-RO (OO:NY)."

Referenced NYlet reflects that the NYO was awaiting the results of their INS check at NYC, and receipt of investigation at WFO.

INS records in NYC were checked by SA WILLIAM F. MARTIN on 3/25/70, and they did not contain any information regarding BUZDUGAN.

GEORGE F. A. BOIAN, who furnished the information regarding BUZDUGAN, was contacted by the NYO on 3/16/70, 3/26/70, 3/27/70, 3/30/70, 4/23/70, and 4/27/70, and he was unable to furnish any additional information regarding BUZDUGAN. He advised if he obtained any information regarding BUZDUGAN he would immediately notify the NYO.

The NYO is conducting no further investigation in this matter and is placing their KENSALT case in an RUC status and their case regarding BUZDUGAN is in a closed status.

- ③ - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (56-156) (RM)
- 1 - New York (105-107202) (BUZDUGAN)
- 1 - New York

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

DATE: 6/2/70

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1640)

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GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN
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NYfile (105-107202) (C)
(OO: NY)

ReNYlet, 4/29/70 and CGlet, 4/30/70 (IO).

Referenced Chicago letter contained the following information:

On 4/21/70, INS file number A-10 697 399 for one GEORG BUZDOGAN was reviewed at the INS Office, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago. This file contained an application for immigrant visa and alien registration to the American Consulate General at Munich, Germany, which reflected the following relevant information:

Name	<u>GEORGE BUZDOGAN</u>
DOB	<u>8/3/33</u>
POB	<u>Elek, Arad, Hungary</u>
Height	<u>5'9"</u>
Weight	<u>167 lbs.</u>
Nationality	<u>German</u>
Complexion	<u>Fair</u>
Hair	<u>Dark blond</u>
Sex	<u>Male</u>
Marital Status	<u>Married</u>
Occupation	<u>Metal worker</u>
Last permanent residence	<u>5 Wallstr, Winnenden, Kr. Waidlingen, Germany</u>

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CHICAGO, ILL.

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- ③ - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (RM)
- 2 - Washington Field (173-135) (RM)
(1 - 105-95232) (BUZDUGAN)
- 2 - New York
(1 - 105-107202) (BUZDUGAN)

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Sponsor in the United States

PETER P. REINER, 1220 North Bosworth Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Address in United States

BUZDOGAN c/o PETER P. REINER, 1220 North

Name and Address of nearest relative in home country

ELISABETH BUZDOGAN
Mother - *MURK* ~~ELISABETH SCHREIER~~,
18 Schlosstr, Winnenden, Germany

Languages spoken Wife

Hungarian, German
MARGRETE BUZDOGAN

Place of previous residence

Elek, Hungary until June, 1946;
Winnenden, West Germany to present

Father Stepfather

GEORG BUZDOGAN, deceased
GEORG SCHREIER, 18 Schlosstr.,
Winnenden, Germany

Date visa issuance recommended

December 4, 1956

This INS file indicates that BUZDOGAN presented the following documents to the American Consulate General in Munich, Germany, and that these documents were approved on 8/4/56:

- Affidavit in lieu of birth certificate;
- Marriage certificate;
- Police Record;
- Certificate of Readmission

Immigrant visa number [redacted] was issued to GEORGE BUZDOGAN on 8/31/56, and was to expire on 4/30/57. BUZDOGAN entered the US at the Port of Chicago, Illinois, on 3/9/57, and his passport number was [redacted]

On 4/21/70, Mrs. ROY WILSON, Confidential Clerk, Chicago, INS Office, advised that BUZDOGAN was required by law to file an alien registration card every year but that he never did so. His file was closed after five years as INS never had any activity on this file.

MARGRETE The only other information contained in *MRS. GEORGE* BUZDOGAN's INS file indicates that BUZDOGAN allegedly ran up many debts while in Chicago up until 1961 when he allegedly left his wife and two children in Chicago. BUZDOGAN's wife as of 10/9/61, allegedly resided at 824 West Webster, basement apartment, Chicago, Illinois.

NY 44-1640

The above information concerning BUZDOGAN's activities in Chicago was contained in a series of letters written from 10/9/61, to 3/28/63, to the Chicago, INS Office by Mrs. ROSALIE BERNICE WEBER, 1911 West Berteau, Chicago, Illinois, creditor of BUZDOGAN.

One photograph of GEORG BUZDOGAN was enclosed for NY with referenced Chicago letter.

GEORGE F. A. BOIAN was contacted by SA JOHN J. CRONIN on 5/26/70, and he advised that the photo received with referenced Chicago letter is not identical with GHEORGHE BUZDUGAN. He added that the correct spelling of the name is BUZDUGAN and not BUZDOGAN, and that the description contained in Chicago letter does not match the individual he met.

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Date: 6/25/70

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)(P*)
SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: Los Angeles

Re Bureau telephone call to Los Angeles dated 6/25/70.

On 5/21/69, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was formally sentenced to death by Los Angeles Superior Court Judge HERBERT B. WALKER and ordered remanded to San Quentin Prison, where he is currently confined while his death sentence is under appeal.

For the information of the Bureau, the 6/12/70, issue of the "Free Press", Los Angeles, California, avant-garde newspaper, carried an article entitled, "Who Really Killed RFK?"

As Bureau receives copies of "Free Press", this article will not be forwarded to Bureau by Los Angeles.

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The article relates that Los Angeles Attorney GODFREY ISSAC filed a complaint against the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and Los Angeles District Attorney's Office on behalf of his client, THEODORE CHARACH. The complaint charges defendants, individual members of the LAPD and District Attorney's Office with suppressing facts and evidence relating to the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. CHARACH later withdrew his complaint to allow the defendant and news media to answer all of CHARACH's framings regarding this matter.

A Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) captioned THEODORE CHARACH furnishing his background was forwarded to the Bureau as an enclosure to Los Angeles Airtel to the Bureau dated 3/29/67, captioned "THEODORE CHARACH, FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION, BUFILE: 163-17948, LOS ANGELES FILE: 163-1102."

An FD-302 covering interview of TED CHARACH regarding KENSALT investigation appears on page 198 of Los Angeles KENSALT report dated 8/7/68.

The "Free Press" article makes reference to a guard named THANE CESER, who was on duty at the Ambassador Hotel the night that KENNEDY was assassinated. Interview of THANE CESER regarding KENSALT investigation appears on page 75 of Los Angeles KENSALT report dated 6/15/68. CHARACH's name was included in LHM sent as enclosure to Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau dated 12/3/68, captioned KENSALT, LHM captioned "Contemplated List of Witnesses for the Trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN" lists potential witnesses listed by Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

"Free Press" also makes reference to a DONALD SCHULMAN, KNXT employee, allegedly at Ambassador Hotel on the night of the assassination.

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Los Angeles Indices were negative concerning
DONALD SCHULMAN.

Above furnished for the information of the
Bureau and case remains in a pending inactive status,
Los Angeles.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR (62-587)

NEW YORK

FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156) (3P)

ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
~~KENSALT~~

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MICHAEL A. MCCOWAN (PROTECT IDENTITY) INVESTIGATOR FOR ATTORNEY LUKE MCKISSACK, CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED NINE SEVEN LAST HE ATTENDED MEETING WITH MCKISSACK, MARY SIRHAN AND MUNIR SIRHAN, MOTHER AND BROTHER, RESPECTIVELY, OF CONVICTED KILLER OF LATE SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. AT MEETING TENTATIVE PLANS WERE FOR MCKISSACK, MARY SIRHAN AND OTHER BROTHER ADELE SIRHAN TO LEAVE LA EIGHT FORTY-FIVE A.M. NINE EIGHT INSTANT VIA TWA WITH ULTIMATE DESTINATION AMAN, JORDAN OR BEIRUT, LEBANON. ACCORDING TO MCCOWAN, ATTORNEY GEORGE SHIBLEY, ALSO REPRESENTING SIRHAN, IS CURRENTLY AT STRAND HOTEL, BEIRUT, LEBANON.

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STATED PURPOSE OF TRIP WAS FOR MARY SIRHAN TO SPEAK TO ARAB GUERRILLA ELEMENTS IN AMAN, JORDAN, AND OSTENSIBLY PLEAD FOR LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS BEING HELD BY GUERRILLA ELEMENTS AFTER THEIR REMOVAL FROM HIJACKED AIRCRAFT. MCCOWAN WAS OF OPINION HOWEVER THAT REAL PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE ARAB GUERRILLAS TO MAKE

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MR. SULLIVAN FOR THE DIRECTOR
2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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REQUEST OF U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR RELEASE OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

ON INSTANT DATE TWA PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER BOB MCKAY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED ^{LOS ANGELES} ~~LA~~, FBI AND FURNISHED AIR TRAVEL ITINERARY FOR M. SIRHAN, L. MCKISSACK, AND M. MCCOWAN. ABOVE INDIVIDUALS TO DEPART LA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE A.M. NINE EIGHT INSTANT ON TWA FLIGHT ONE HUNDRED ARRIVING JFK, NY AT FOUR FIFTY-FIVE P.M. (NY TIME) NINE EIGHT INSTANT. CONNECTING WITH TWA FLIGHT EIGHT EIGHT ZERO DEPARTING NY AT SIX TWENTY P.M. NINE EIGHT INSTANT AND ARRIVING ATHENS, GREECE AT NINE FORTY A.M. (ATHENS TIME) NINE NINE NEXT. ABOVE INDIVIDUALS TO SUBSEQUENTLY DEPART ATHENS, GREECE ON ROYAL JORDAN AIRWAYS FLIGHT ONE ZERO ONE WITH FINAL DESTINATION OF AMAN, JORDAN.

MCCOWAN RECONTACTED LA, FBI AFTER SECOND MEETING AT MARY SIRHAN RESIDENCE AT WHICH TIME PLANS WERE MADE FOR MCKISSACK, MARY SIRHAN AND MCCOWAN TO DEPART LA AS SET FORTH ABOVE. ABOVE FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE BY MCCOWAN UPON INSTRUCTIONS FROM MCKISSACK. HOWEVER MCKISSACK PLANS TO DEVIATE FROM FLIGHT SCHEDULE AND GO TO BEIRUT, LEBANON TO CONTACT REPRESENTATIVES OF PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT. PLANS FOR SUCH A MEETING PRESUMABLY TO BE MADE BY ATTORNEY GEORGE SHIBLEY TO WHOM MCKISSACK WILL TELETYPE INSTRUCTIONS.

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PAGE THREE

IN ADDITION ADELE SIRHAN WILL DEPART LA ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT TWO SIX TWO DEPARTING ONE TWENTY-FIVE A.M. THIS DATE ARRIVING LA GUARDIA AIRPORT TWELVE FORTY-NINE P.M. THIS DATE. ADELE SIRHAN WILL ATTEMPT TO CLEAR UP HIS PASSPORT DIFFICULTIES IN NYC. IF SUCCESSFUL HE WILL JOIN MCKISSACK AND PARTY ON TWO FLIGHT EIGHT EIGHT ZERO.

ADMINISTRATIVE

FOREGOING BEING FURNISHED TO BUREAU IN EVENT BUREAU MAY DESIRE TO FURNISH FOREGOING TO U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT AND CIA.

NEW YORK WILL EFFECT COVERAGE OF TWA FLIGHT ONE HUNDRED ARRIVING JFK NINE EIGHT INSTANT AT FOUR FIFTY-FIVE P.M. AND DEPARTURE OF MCKISSACK AND PARTY FROM JFK ON FLIGHT EIGHT EIGHT ZERO AT SIX TWENTY P.M. NINE EIGHT INSTANT FOR ATHENS, GREECE.

IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND MCKISSACK IS ALSO ATTORNEY FOR BLACK PANTHER PARTY AND MAYBE IN TOUCH WITH ANGELA YVONNE DAVIS, CURRENTLY A TOP TEN FUGITIVE.

IDENTITY OF MCCOWAN SHOULD UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES BE MADE KNOWN OUTSIDE THE BUREAU. INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED BY HIM HAS BEEN PROVEN TO BE HIGHLY RELIABLE.

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REM FBI WASH DC CLR

September 8, 1970

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This concerns a meeting on 9/7/70 with Mary Sirhan and Munir Sirhan, mother and brother, respectively, of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, convicted killer of late Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and Luke McKissack, attorney for Black Panther Party, who may be in touch with Angela Yvonne Davis, currently a Top Ten fugitive. Attorney George Shibley, who represents Sirhan, is currently in Beirut, Lebanon, and Sirhan's mother and brother* plan to travel to Lebanon ostensibly to plead for lives of individuals being held by Guerrilla elements who hijacked aircraft. A source has advised Los Angeles that the real purpose of the trip is to attempt to influence Arab guerrillas to make request of U.S. Government for release of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

This matter is being followed closely, and the Departments of State and Justice and CIA are being advised.

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*and McKissack

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TO DIRECTOR FBI

VIA TELETYPE
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1. AN OFFICIAL BRITISH LIAISON SERVICE HAS REPORTED ON 26 AUGUST 1970 THAT ONE OF THEIR SOURCES WHO HAS CONTACTS AMONG PALESTINIAN COMMANDOS HAS HEARD THESE CONTACTS MENTION A PLAN BY AN UNIDENTIFIED COMMANDO ORGANIZATION TO KIDNAP AN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR AND HIS FAMILY SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE AND HOLD THEM TO TRADE FOR THE RELEASE OF SIRHAN SIRHAN. THE COMMANDOS CONCERNED ALLEGEDLY REJECT THE IDEA OF KIDNAPING AN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN AN ARAB COUNTRY IN ORDER TO "AVOID THE POLITICAL EMBARRASSMENT" WHICH SUCH AN ACTION WOULD ENTAIL. THE BRITISH SERVICE STATES THAT THIS IS THE SECOND OR THIRD SUCH UNPINNED-DOWN REPORT THAT THEIR OFFICE HAS RECEIVED.

2. THIS AGENCY CAN FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL DETAILS OR CONFIRMATION REGARDING THIS ALLEGED KIDNAP ATTEMPT.

3. ANY FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED ON THIS SUBJECT WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: September 9, 1970

FROM : W. C. SULLIVAN

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Bishop

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SUBJECT: KENSALT

Reference is made to the attached copy of a teletype from New York dated 9-8-70 captioned as above.

W.C. Sullivan
[Signature]

At 6:35 p. m. on 9-8-70 the Attorney General (AG) called and in the Director's absence talked with me. The AG stated he is extremely interested in seeing to it that Mary Sirhan, Munir Sirhan, Adele Sirhan and a private investigator traveling with them not be permitted to leave the country. He said they were due to arrive in New York the evening of 9-8-70 at Kennedy Airport and asked that two Agents be sent out there to check into the matter carefully and work with the State Department and Immigration and Naturalization Service to make certain that these people were not allowed to travel beyond New York. They were scheduled to proceed to Athens, Greece, from New York. The AG said that the State Department was instructed to make certain their passports were picked up; however, he was afraid that something might go wrong and wanted the FBI to be present. He asked to be advised of the progress in the matter.

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I got immediately in touch with the New York Office and gave instructions to proceed in accordance with the AG's request.

At 7:00 p. m., 9-8-70, the New York Office called the Bureau to advise that the Sirhans' Trans-World Airlines flight from Los Angeles was late and they were not able to proceed to Athens, that steps were being taken at that time to pick up their passports and that the matter was under control. I immediately advised the AG who expressed satisfaction.

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RECOMMENDATION:

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For the information of the Director.

Enclosure

W.C. Sullivan
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September 8, 1970

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This concerns the travel of Mary Sirhan, Munir Sirhan and Adele Sirhan, mother, brother and sister respectively of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, convicted killer of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and Luke McKissack, attorney for Black Panther Party who may be in touch with Angela Yvonne Davis, currently a top 10 fugitive, to Beirut, Lebanon. The trip ostensibly is to plead for the lives of individuals being held by Guerrilla elements who have hijacked an aircraft. A reliable source has advised Los Angeles that the real purpose of the trip is to attempt to influence Arab Guerrillas to make a request to the United States for the release of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

Los Angeles advises that above individuals except Adele Sirhan left Los Angeles 8:45 a.m. 9-8-70 en route to Athens, Greece via New York. New York Port Authority police have advised that the Los Angeles flight as of 1:30 p.m. was over one hour late and they did not feel that the Sirhans and McKissack would be able to make connections with the overseas flight from New York to Athens. Passport official U. S. Department of State (USDS) advised this afternoon that they had received telephone call from McKissack requesting renewal of Sirhan's brother's passport. McKissack and Sirhan's brother are to contact USDS, New York City, upon their arrival in order to make application for renewal of passport. This matter is being followed closely.

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 1107AM URGENT 9-8-70 TDH
 TO DIRECTOR (62-587)
 NEW YORK
 FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P) 1P

ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
 KENSALT

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RELATEL SEPTEMBER EIGHT INSTANT.

TWA FLIGHT ZERO ZERO DESTINED TO LEAVE LOS ANGELES
 EIGHT FORTY FIVE A.M. WAS AIRBORNE TEN A.M. DUE TO ARRIVE JOHN
 F. KENNEDY AIRPORT, NEW YORK, APPROXIMATELY FIVE THIRTY P.M.
 DELAY DUE TO FULL SECURITY MEASURES EMPLOYED ON ALL PASSENGERS.
 MARY SIRHAN, LUKE MC KISSACK AND MICHAEL A. MC COWAN ABOARD,
 ACCORDING TO TWA. PRESS COVERAGE EXTENSIVE. TWA ADVISES FULL
 SECURITY MEASURES WILL ALSO BE APPLIED AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, THROUGH LIAISON, ADVISE BUREAU WHEN MARY SIRHAN
 AND PARTY DEPART NEW YORK FOR ATHENS. PLANS CALL FOR DEPARTURE
 SIX TWENTY P.M., TWA FLIGHT EIGHT EIGHT ZERO. ACCORDING TO
 PLANS, THEY SHOULD BE JOINED AT NEW YORK BY ADELE SIRHAN, WHO
 ARRIVED NEW YORK TWELVE FORTY FIVE P.M. EDT TODAY.

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MR. SULLIVAN FOR THE DIRECTOR

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10:12AM IMMEDIATE 9-22-70 DLK

TO DIRECTOR (62-587)

FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156)

KENSALT.

RELATEL SEPTEMBER TWENTY ONE LAST AND BUTELCAL TODAY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE QUOTE OF ROBERT KAISER CONCERNING
 SA ROGER LA JEUNESSE THAT QUOTE THE CASE IS STILL OPEN. I'M
 NOT REJECTING THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE ASPECT OF IT UNQUOTE,
 SA LA JEUNESSE CATEGORICALLY DENIES EVER MAKING ANY SUCH
 STATEMENT TO ROBERT KAISER, NOR HAS HE EVER CONFIDED IN KAISER.
 KAISER'S CONTACTS WITH THIS OFFICE WERE INITIATED BY KAISER, AS
 SET FORTH IN RETEL.

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MR. SULLIVAN FOR THE DIRECTOR

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CC-MR. ROSEN

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/21/70

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

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SUBJECT: KENSALT

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Los Angeles file 56-156

MICHAEL ALAN MC COWAN
PRI - Ghetto

DATE 6-26-84 BY SP2 TAP/ep
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8-20-86
C.N. 255, 315

Re Los Angeles teletypes to Bureau entitled "KENSALT", dated 9/8/70, and Los Angeles letter to Bureau entitled "MICHAEL ALAN MC COWAN, PRI", dated 5/18/70.

As set forth in referenced Los Angeles teletypes, captioned individual, late during the evening hours of 9/7/70, and early morning of 9/8/70, voluntarily contacted an agent ALIF of the Los Angeles Division to advise that LUKE MC KISSACK #9 had made arrangements for MC COWAN, MARY SIRHAN, and ADEL SIRHAN to journey to Aman, Jordan, or Beirut, Lebanon. The SIRHAN's are the mother and brother, respectively, of convicted killer of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

Stated purpose of the trip was for MARY SIRHAN to speak to Arab guerilla elements in Aman, Jordan, and ostensibly plead for lives of individuals then being held by guerilla forces, following their removal off hijacked aircraft in the desert of Jordan.

MC COWAN felt proposed plans of MC KISSACK constituted a grave potential danger to United States relations in the Middle East.

MC COWAN further felt he could be of valuable assistance to Bureau and United States Government by accompanying MC KISSACK, particularly if they were successful in reaching Jordan or Lebanon.

The Bureau and New York were immediately advised of the proposed trip.

- 4 - Bureau
- 4 - Los Angeles
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Because of the information volunteered by MC COWAN, the New York Office was able to maintain a close surveillance of the activities of the MC KISSACK party, and were kept advised on a timely and continuing basis of the plans, activities, and contacts of MC KISSACK while in New York. MC COWAN was put in touch with agents of the New York Office, which enabled that office to be constantly aware of their plans. In addition, the information furnished by MC COWAN enabled the United States State Department to revoke the passports of MC COWAN and MC KISSACK, preventing them and the SIRHAN's from departing from the United States and entering into activities which might possibly have resulted in embarrassment to the United States Government in the Middle East.

MC COWAN's contact with the New York Division enabled that office to alert the San Francisco Division of the MC KISSACK party's departure from New York on 9/12/70.

Upon arrival in Oakland, California, MC COWAN established contact with agents of the San Francisco Division and continued furnishing information regarding the activity to agents of that office.

While in Oakland, MC COWAN, the SIRHAN's, and MC KISSACK visited with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in San Quentin Prison.

Upon their arrival in Los Angeles late 9/13/70, MC COWAN advised surveilling agents it was the intention of MARY SIRHAN to return to her Pasadena residence. The surveillance established that MARY SIRHAN, accompanied by LUKE MC KISSACK and his wife NANCY MC KISSACK, did, in fact, proceed to the SIRHAN Pasadena residence.

Upon his arrival at his residence, MC COWAN immediately contacted the Los Angeles Office to reiterate that MARY SIRHAN was proceeding to her residence.

The above activity of MC COWAN from 9/7/70, through 9/13/70, resulted in expenses incurred by him in the amount of \$750. The Los Angeles Division has previously utilized \$400 authorized under SAC authority for payment to MC COWAN for expenses incurred in previous matters of interest to the Bureau.

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It is felt that in this particular instance, the sum of \$500 be authorized for payment to MC COWAN to reimburse him for expenses incurred by him in connection with obtaining the information as set forth above.

Bureau permission is further requested to reinstate SAC authority to pay MC COWAN additional funds in the future, on a COD basis for information volunteered, should such be warranted.

September 25, 1970

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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Schutz
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

Honorable John Mack Carter
 Editor and Publisher
 Downe Publishing, Inc. *NR*
 Curtis Building
 641 Lexington Avenue
 New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Carter:

An article appeared in the October, 1970, issue of the Ladies' Home Journal authored by Robert Blair Kaiser titled "Was Sirhan 'Programmed' to Kill Robert Kennedy?"

In this preview of his book "RFK Must Die," Mr. Kaiser in referring to the investigation of the assassination of former Senator Robert F. Kennedy alleges that Special Agent Roger J. LaJeunesse, Jr., of the FBI made the statement to him "The case is still open. I'm not rejecting the 'Manchurian Candidate' aspect of it."

Mr. Kaiser further alleges that Special Agent LaJeunesse heard testimony at the trial of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan by Dr. Bernard L. Diamond, Dean of the School of Criminology at the University of California at Berkeley, and "he seemed convinced that Sirhan was in a trance on the night of June 4."

In order that the record may be set straight, I would like you to know that Special Agent LaJeunesse unequivocally denies making the statement attributed to him by Mr. Kaiser.

1 - Los Angeles (56-156)

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Furthermore, records of the District Attorney for the County of Los Angeles, California, show that Doctor Diamond testified on March 21, 24, 25, 26, and 27, 1969. Official records of the FBI show that Special Agent LaJeunesse was on extended sick leave for surgery for the period March 3, through April 4, 1969, and was not in attendance during the period Doctor Diamond testified.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE:

Bureau files contain no identifiable derogatory information concerning Carter. We have enjoyed favorable relations with the "Journal" in recent years. In January, 1969, the "Journal" published with our cooperation an article on kidnaping which was well received.

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- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Brennan CD
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1:27PM URGENT 9-23-70 DLK

TO DIRECTOR (62-587)

FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P) 2P

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KENSALT. ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Reference Los Angeles teletypes

RELATEL SEPTEMBER TWENTY ONE AND TWENTY TWO LAST.

QUOTE LADIES HOME JOURNAL UNQUOTE, OCTOBER SEVENTY ISSUE,

PAGE ONE UNQUOTE, CONTAINS PREVIEW OF BOOK BY ROBERT BLAIR

KAISER ENTITLED QUOTE RFK MUST DIE UNQUOTE. IN PREVIEW KAISER

OFFERS HYPOTHESIS THAT SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN WAS QUOTE PROGRAMMED

UNQUOTE TO KILL LATE SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY. HE BASED HIS

ALLEGATIONS ON HYPNOTIC SESSIONS SIRHAN HAD UNDERGONE WITH

PSYCHIATRIST, DR. BERNARD L. DIAMOND, DEAN OF SCHOOL OF

CRIMINOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY. DR. DIAMOND'S

FINDINGS, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, REFLECT SIRHAN HAD QUOTE

PROGRAMMED HIMSELF EXACTLY AS A COMPUTER IS PROGRAMMED BY ITS

MAGNETIC TAPE. . . . FOR THE COMING ASSASSINATION. UNQUOTE.

KAISER ALLEGES SOMEONE ELSE MAY HAVE WELL PROGRAMMED SIRHAN.

IN ARTICLE KAISER QUOTES FBI AGENT ROGER LA JEUNESSE AS

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SAYING, ~~QUOTE~~ THE CASE IS STILL OPEN. I'M NOT REJECTING
THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE ASPECT OF IT ~~UNQUOTE~~. THE ARTICLE
ALSO REFLECTS QUOTE LA JEUNESSE HAD ATTENDED THE TRIAL, HE
HEARD DR. DIAMOND'S TESTIMONY, AND HE SEEMED CONVINCED THAT
SIRHAN WAS IN A TRANCE ON THE NIGHT OF JUNE FOUR ~~UNQUOTE~~.

RETEL OF SEPTEMBER TWENTY TWO INDICATES SA LA JEUNESSE
CATEGORICALLY DENIES EVER MAKING ANY SUCH STATEMENT TO KAISER,
AND CHECK OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY RECORDS FOR COUNTY OF LOS
ANGELES CONCERNING SIRHAN TRIAL TODAY REFLECTS DR. DIAMOND
TESTIFIED ON MARCH TWENTY ONE, TWENTY FOUR, TWENTY FIVE,
TWENTY SIX, AND TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY NINE. RECORDS OF LOS
ANGELES OFFICE REFLECT SA ROGER LA JEUNESSE WAS ON EXTENDED
SICK LEAVE FOR SURGERY FOR PERIOD MARCH THREE THROUGH APRIL
FOUR, SIXTY NINE, AND WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE AT TRIAL DURING
THIS PERIOD.

DATA AS SET FORTH BY KAISER IN THIS REGARD IS OBVIOUSLY
UNTRUE.

SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU.

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DEB WA DC FBI OUT

September 24, 1970
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Robert Blair Kaiser, former staff writer and photographer for "Time" or "Life Magazine" who was appointed member of Sirhan Defense Team and participated in defense under guise of investigator, has written book "RFK Must Die" not yet published. In prepublication releases Kaiser attributed statements to SA LaJeunesse, Los Angeles, which have been unequivocally refuted.

Attached pertains to review of "Ladies Home Journal" book review of "RFK Must Die". Statements attributed to SA LaJeunesse repeated and Kaiser indicates SA LaJeunesse heard testimony of Doctor Bernard L. Diamond, Dean of School of Criminology, University of California and agreed with Diamond's theories that Sirhan in trance at time of Kennedy's killing.

In further refutation of Kaiser's authenticity, official records show SA LaJeunesse on extended sick leave from March 3 - April 4, 1969, and not present during Diamond's testimony March 21, 24 - 27, 1969.

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KENSALT. ASSASSINATION OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY

REBUTELCAL TO LA SEPTEMBER TWENTY ONE INSTANT.

FOLLOWING THE SHOOTING OF LATE SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY,
 SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR., WAS ASSIGNED TO MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH
 LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT (LAPD), LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT
 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE-AND U. S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE DURING INVESTIGATION
 AND PROSECUTION OF SIRHAN.

AT NO TIME DURING HIS ACTIVITIES WITH RESPECT TO THIS
 INVESTIGATION WAS SA LA JEUNESSE DESIGNATED AS THE "FBI AGENT
 IN CHARGE" OF SIRHAN INVESTIGATION, NOR DID HE AT ANY TIME
 REPRESENT HIMSELF AS SUCH.

ROBERT BLAIR KAISER IS REPUTED TO HAVE BEEN FORMER STAFF
 WRITER AND PHOTOGRAPHER FOR "TIME MAGAZINE" OR "LIFE" MAGAZINE.
 KAISER WAS APPOINTED AS MEMBER OF SIRHAN DEFENSE TEAM AND
 PARTICIPATED IN DEFENSE OF SIRHAN UNDER GUISE OF INVESTIGATOR

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TO EXTENT HE WAS GRANTED PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW SIRHAN, MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS. HIS PURPOSE WAS TO GATHER MATERIAL FOR BOOK HE PLANNED TO WRITE REGARDING ASSASSINATION. KAISER CURRENTLY RESIDES LOS ANGELES AREA.

DURING INVESTIGATION KAISER WAS PRESENT IN HALL OF JUSTICE WHERE SIRHAN'S TRIAL TOOK PLACE ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. ON ONE OCCASION KAISER TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED LOS ANGELES OFFICE TO ADVISE HE HAD WRITTEN LETTER TO BUREAU AT WASHINGTON, D.C., SEEKING INFORMATION RE INVESTIGATION THEN BEING CONDUCTED BY FBI. KAISER EXPLAINED HE HAD RECEIVED REPLY FROM BUREAU ADVISING HIM INFORMATION HE SOUGHT NOT AVAILABLE TO HIM. KAISER DESIRED TO KNOW IF ANYTHING FURTHER COULD BE DONE SO INFORMATION HE SOUGHT COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO HIM. KAISER WAS TOLD THAT REPLY HE RECEIVED FROM BUREAU WAS FINAL, AND IT WAS SUGGESTED HE MIGHT DESIRE TO CORRESPOND DIRECTLY WITH BUREAU FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

SUBSEQUENT TO CONVICTION OF SIRHAN, KAISER CONTACTED SA LA JEUNESSE ON NOVEMBER THREE, SIXTY NINE, TO ADVISE HE HAD WRITTEN HIS BOOK, AND MANUSCRIPT WAS THEN BEING EXAMINED BY ATTORNEYS FOR PUBLISHER AND EDITED TO SOME EXTENT, WHICH
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CAUSED DELAY IN PUBLICATION OF BOOK. HE STATED THAT DURING HIS MANY INTERVIEWS WITH SIRHAN HE HAD COME TO CONCLUSION THERE DID EXIST CONSPIRACY OF SORTS. HE SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO INTERVIEW HE HAD WITH SIRHAN DECEMBER THIRTY ONE, SIXTY EIGHT, WHEN HE QUESTIONED SIRHAN RE POSSIBILITY SOMEONE HAD CONTROL OR INFLUENCE OVER SIRHAN'S MIND. KAISER STATED SIRHAN REACTED VISIBLY AND WAS OFFENDED BECAUSE OF SUGGESTION SOMEONE COULD CONTROL HIS THOUGHT PROCESSES. AT THAT TIME KAISER STATED HE DID NOT FEEL HE WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT ORDER IF HE DISCUSSED SOME OF HIS SIRHAN CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORTIES.

KAISER SUBSEQUENTLY TELEPHONED AGAIN TO ADVISE HIS THEORY OF "MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE" WAS VALID ONE IN THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE SIRHAN WAS PROGRAMMED TO COMMIT ASSASSINATION.

AT NO TIME DID SA LA JEUNESSE ACCEPT OR REJECT "MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE" THEORY PUT FORTH BY KAISER. KAISER ALSO SAID ROBERT HOUGHTON, DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE, LAPD, HAD AGREED WITH KAISER "MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE" THEORY WAS POSSIBILITY.

COPIES OF BOOK "RFK MUST DIE" NOT YET AVAILABLE IN LOS ANGELES.

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cc Mr. Bishop
cc MR. ROSEN
cc Mr. Brennan

Supervisor William Nolan, Los Angeles, 11:45 a.m., 9-22-70, telephonically advised SA LaJeunesse unequivocally denies making the statement attributed to him by Kaiser.

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SIRHAN 9/18 NX

ADV FOR 6:00 P.M. EDT MON SEPT 21

NEW YORK (UPI) --THE ONLY JOURNALIST WHO HAD COMPLETED ACCESS TO SIRHAN SIRHAN AFTER HIS ARREST AND ACCESS TO ALL OFFICIAL RECORDS IN HIS CASE SAID MONDAY THAT THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT THE ARAB YOUTH WAS "PROGRAMMED LIKE A COMPUTER" TO ASSASSINATE SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY WHILE IN A TRANCE.

IN A LADIES' HOME JOURNAL PRE-PUBLICATION OF AN EXCERPT FROM ROBERT KAISER'S BOOK, "RFK MUST DIE", THE FORMER TIME MAGAZINE WRITER ADMITTED THAT HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER SIRHAN HAD PROGRAMMED HIMSELF TO COMMIT THE CRIME OR WHETHER MEMBERS OF A CONSPIRACY HAD DONE SO. KAISER SAID HE WAS INCLINED TO BELIEVE THERE WAS A "SHADOWY SOMEONE" BEHIND THE 1968 SLAYING IN LOS ANGELES.

KAISER PAID \$34,000 TOWARD SIRHAN'S DEFENSE IN RETURN FOR INTERVIEWS WITH HIM AND PERMISSION TO ATTEND SIRHAN'S SESSIONS WITH A PSYCHIATRIST. HE SAID SIRHAN HAD ASSOCIATIONS WITH EXTREMISTS OF BOTH THE RIGHT AND THE LEFT "AND SOME CONNECTIONS WITH THE SO-CALLED UNDERWORLD."

PROGRAMMING SIRHAN FOR THE CRIME SO THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO MEMORY OF BEING PROGRAMMED HAD A PRECEDENT IN A 1951 CASE IN COPEHAGEN AND WAS THE THEME OF THE PLOT IN THE RICHARD CONDON NOVEL, "THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE." KAISER POINTED OUT. HE QUOTES ROGER LAJEUNESSE, THE FBI AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE SIRHAN INVESTIGATION AS CONFIDING:

"THE CASE IS STILL OPEN. I'M NOT REJECTING THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE ASPECT OF IT."

KAISER SAID THE SIRHAN'S SESSIONS WITH DR. BERNARD L. DIAMOND, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF CRIMINOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY, DEMONSTRATED THAT SIRHAN WAS NOT FAKING WHEN HE SAID HE COULD NOT REMEMBER DETAILS OF THE ASSASSINATION. DIAMOND, KAISER SAID, BELIEVED SIRHAN "PROGRAMMED HIMSELF EXACTLY AS A COMPUTER IS PROGRAMMED BY ITS MAGNETIC TAPE. . FOR THE COMING ASSASSINATION."

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KAISER SAID THAT IF SIRHAN HAD PROGRAMMED HIMSELF AND PUT HIMSELF INTO A TRANCE TO COMMIT THE CRIME, HE WOULD HAVE HAD SOME RECOLLECTIONS OF THE PROGRAMMING PROCESS BUT "HE DIDN'T REMEMBER THAT EITHER."

KAISER SAID THERE IS EVIDENCE IN SIRHAN'S NOTEBOOKS THAT HE HAD BEEN PROMISED A PAYOFF. WHENEVER KENNEDY'S NAME APPEARED, IT WAS ALWAYS ACCOMPANIED BY THE PHRASE "PLEASE PAY TO THE ORDER OF SIRHAN." THERE ARE ALSO ENTRIES THAT INDICATED HE WAS REPEATING INSTRUCTIONS TO FORGET ANY PROMISES OF MONEY, SUCH AS "I HAVE NEVER HEARD PLEASE PAY TO THE ORDER OF. . . THIS OR THAT 8000."

KAISER BLAMED ROBERT HOUGHTON, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE, FOR FAILING TO FOLLOW UP ON REPORTS THAT SIRHAN WAS SEEN WITH A GIRL IN A POLKA DOT DRESS AT THE ASSASSINATION SCENE AND WITH A PRETTY GIRL ON AN OCCASION WHEN HE WAS REPORTEDLY SEEN STALKING KENNEDY AND AT TARGET PRACTICE. HE SAID A MAN WHO HAD ROOMED WITH SIRHAN FOR FIVE MONTHS, BUT DENIED IT TO THE FBI, HAD DISAPPEARED DURING THE ASSASSINATION PERIOD.

"HOUGHTON APPARENTLY DID NOT FIND IT STRANGE THAT THE FBI AND HIS OWN INVESTIGATORS TOOK 10 MONTHS TO FIND THE MAN WHO BROUGHT SIRHAN TO CORONA, CALIF., IN THE FIRST PLACE, FRANK DONNARAUMA, ALIAS HENRY DONALD RAMISTELLA OF NEW JERSEY," KAISER SAID WITH FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

THE AUTHOR SAID SIRHAN WILL NO LONGER SEE HIM "BECAUSE HE BECAME ANGRY ABOUT THE KIND OF BOOK HE SUSPECTED I WAS WRITING AND SUED TO PREVENT ITS PUBLICATION. . . SIRHAN WAS AFRAID MY BOOK WOULD REOPEN THE CASE. THAT APPREHENSION MADE HIM VERY UNHAPPY. HE RATHER LIKED HIS IDENTITY AS AN ARAB HERO. AND I WAS TAKING IT AWAY FROM HIM."

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Attached pertains to United Press International release which refers to forthcoming book by Robert Blair Kaiser dealing with the Bobby Kennedy assassination, "RFK Must Die." Kaiser alleges SA LaJeunesse of Los Angeles characterized himself as the Agent in charge of the Sirhan investigation and stated "The case is still open. I'm not rejecting the Manchurian Candidate aspect of it." SA LaJeunesse denies characterizing himself as the Agent in charge of the investigation and unequivocally denies making the above statement. ("Manchurian Candidate" is 1959 book dealing with Soviet plot to have President of United States assassinated by a Congressional Medal of Honor winner.) Bureau files show Kaiser by letter 4-19-68 requested information concerning Bobby Kennedy case at which time he was advised FBI files are confidential. No additional information of pertinence re Kaiser in Bureau files.

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The Deputy Attorney General

October 5, 1970

Director, FBI

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**ASSASSINATION OF
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**

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This is in reply to your communication of
September 30, 1970.

A report consisting of nine volumes summarizing
results of investigation by the Los Angeles Police
Department into the assassination of Senator Robert F.
Kennedy was forwarded the Department of Justice on July 23,
1969. This report was entitled "An Investigation Summary
of The Senator Robert F. Kennedy Assassination, June 5,
1968."

Since this material was furnished by the Los Angeles
Police Department, we defer to the Department as to whether
Mr. Fensterwald's request should be honored.

1 - Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

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NOTE: Los Angeles PD furnished two copies of
report to us. We furnished 1 copy to the
Department. Fensterwald, as Executive Director
of the so-called National Committee To Investigate
Assassinations made up of other individuals of the
ilk of Jim Garrison, New Orleans District Attorney
William Turner, former Agent and Fred J. Cook
author, has, over the years, shown he is
unscrupulous, untrustworthy and anti-FBI. He
was formerly Chief Counsel to Senator Long's
Committee on Wiretapping.

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TO : Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, F.B.I.

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FROM : Richard G. Kleindienst
Deputy Attorney General *pk*

SUBJECT: ~~Freedom of Information Act~~
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Attached is a request for information relating to the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy from Mr. Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., Executive Director of the Committee to Investigate Assassinations.

Mr. Fensterwald is requesting ten volumes entitled "An Investigation Summary of the Senator Robert F. Kennedy Assassination", which he claims are in the files of this Department.

Would you please advise me whether we have these records and comment on Mr. Fensterwald's request.

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DESCRIPTION OF RECORD REQUESTED (Include any information which may be helpful in locating record)

Ten illustrated bound volumes entitled An Investigation Summary of the Senator Robert F. Kennedy Assassination, compiled by Los Angeles Chief of Detectives Robert F. Houghton, author of Special Unit Senator (Random House, 1970). Please see attached copies of pages from Houghton's book.

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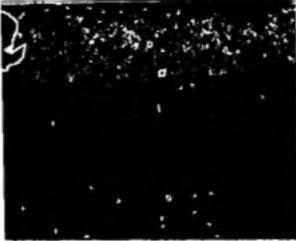
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few days, some officers were conducting interviews without ever having seen the pantry, or accurate plans of it.

"A plot, plan, map, schematic, or whatever is applicable, and a brief statement of facts should be laid out, reproduced and made available to every department command, and staff, and to the investigators assigned to conducting interviews," Keene added. Pena recommended a "walk through the crime scene by every officer conducting interviews."

The three supervising officers were also critical of "detective note-taking," and failure to properly describe witnesses. Polaroid photographs would have been useful, serving the same purpose as Keene's recommendation that "there is no place in an operation of this type for handwritten reports." In short, the modern ease of sound tape proved itself.

I would agree with these constructive criticisms of the investigation. In retrospect, anything can be improved. Generally, however, I believe the department responded well in those first hectic, confusing hours. Men like Hughes, Jordan, Sillings, Sharaga, and many others, took the first shock. So did citizens at the scene, men like Dr. Abo, Jesse Unruh, Karl Uecker, Rosie Grier, Rafer Johnson and Juan Romero. They responded without hesitancy.

On July 25, 1969, Special Unit Senator was finally and officially closed out. It had been in existence for more than a year, and the ending marked the completion of the longest, largest and most expensive criminal investigation ever undertaken by the Los Angeles Police Department, possibly the most extensive investigation ever conducted by any local law enforcement agency.

On that date the voluminous SUS files, in four locked

cabinets, were shifted out of Room 803 in Parker Center for storage. Contained in them is more than fifty thousand pages of documentation and material evidence. Evidence too large for the cabinets has been recorded by photography.

The Filing Guide to these records, drawer by drawer, tells the broad story of people, places and events from the birth of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan to the conclusion of his trial. Beyond that, to the final posttrial investigations of the special unit.

The indexed story is a more intimate view into these files and shows, for example, that 4,818 separate interviews and interrogations were conducted. The official correspondence, daily logs, section reports, progress reports, gun and gun-range reports, case preparations, conspiracy-potential investigations seem to be endless. To this small mountain of paper may be added 155 items of booked evidence, 1,700 photographs, 190 reels of tape, and 20 reels of sixteen-millimeter film.

Although I read the reports daily and met constantly with Captain Brown and SUS team heads to explore one aspect or another of the investigation, I was astonished by the sheer mass of the unit's total effort.

Now it has all been boiled down to ten illustrated bound volumes entitled *An Investigation Summary of the Sen. Robert F. Kennedy Assassination, June 5, 1968*. These volumes represent my report to the Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department. Two sets will remain with LAPD, and the third set has been forwarded to the Attorney General of the United States.

Throughout the entire SUS investigation, parallel investigations were conducted by the FBI and the District Attor-