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Date 10/7/68

GARY WHITE, The Tom Thomas Organization, Detroit Trade Center Building, Detroit, Michigan, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on June 4, 1968 but has no information regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He advised that he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN, did not see him and has no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

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INTERVIEWS OF INDIVIDUALS AT
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB,
DUARTE, CALIFORNIA
(FISH CANYON FIRING RANGE),
ON JUNE 4, 1968

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It was previously reported that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was target shooting on June 4, 1968, at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, Duarte, California.

Results of interviews of some of the persons present at this Gun Club on June 4, 1968, have previously been reported.

An interview of an additional person present at the Gun Club on June 4, 1968, follows:

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MICHAEL ANTHONY SACCOMAN, 240 West Walnut, Apartment C, Monrovia, California, advised that on June 4, 1968, he went to the Fish Canyon firing range in Monrovia.

SACCOMAN identified a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN as being a photograph of a person that he saw at the Fish Canyon Range on June 4, 1968. SACCOMAN advised that he and SIRHAN exchanged guns and shot with each others gun. He stated that SIRHAN's gun was a small revolver, blue steel, with about a 2 1/2" barrel. SACCOMAN stated that SIRHAN's revolver was very cheap and it held more than six shots. He stated that the gun was a .22 caliber pistol. SACCOMAN stated that SIRHAN's pistol had black plastic grips.

SACCOMAN stated that SIRHAN had several boxes of .22 caliber ammunition which he described as "hollowpoint, .22 Long Rifle, Mini-mags".

SACCOMAN stated that SIRHAN told him that he had purchased the gun for \$40.00 some months ago and he had practiced with gun "up north". SACCOMAN described SIRHAN as being a pretty good shot.

SACCOMAN advised that SIRHAN told him he was going hunting with the pistol. SACCOMAN stated that when he advised SIRHAN it would be illegal to hunt in California with a pistol of such small caliber, SIRHAN told him that the pistol could "kill a dog".

SACCOMAN advised that SIRHAN seemed to be alone at the range and he added that he had never seen SIRHAN before.

It is noted that the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club is commonly known as the Fish Canyon firing range.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING RUMOR
CIRCULATING IN ISRAEL, IRAQ AND
EUROPE IN MID-MAY 1968, THAT
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT

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It was previously reported that a Brownell Tour was conducted in the Holy Land from May 4 to May 20, 1968. It was further indicated that one of the guides on the tour had advised tour members on either May 16 or May 17, 1968, that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot. Interviews with members of this Brownell Tour have previously been reported.

Following is an interview of CLIFFORD E. KERNS, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, concerning this matter:

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1 CLIFFORD E. (JACK) KERNS, 313 South Camac Street,
advised as follows:

He is employed as a Tour Director by Brownell Tours and was in Israel with a tour during the latter part of May, 1968. He does not recall hearing any discussion concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY while on this tour. He cannot now recall where he was when he first heard of the assassination but is positive that he did not hear anything about the shooting prior to the time of the assassination.

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On 11/6/68 at Philadelphia, Pa. File # Philadelphia 62-4929
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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING DONALD WICKSON,
ALSO KNOWN AS DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA,
EXTRA BANQUET WAITER AT AMBASSADOR HOTEL,
LOS ANGELES, FROM MAY 17 TO JUNE 19, 1968

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Investigation concerning DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA, true name Donald Wickson, extra banquet waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, from May 17 to June 19, 1968, has previously been reported. Following is additional investigation in this matter:

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Background Concerning
DONALD DAVID WICKSON
also known as
Donald David Evangelista,
Paul Letsky

On May 7, 1966, DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA and PHILIP LUCIER, also known as Al Garzo, were arrested by the New Mexico State Police, West of Albuquerque, in possession of a 1965 Chevrolet Corvair, registered to SUSAN and DIANE BUTCHER of South Pasadena, California, and reported stolen to the South Pasadena Police Department on May 7, 1966.

LUCIER was known to DIANE BUTCHER as AL GARZO and had driven the car several times when with DIANE but no permission given to take the car. The United States Attorney at Albuquerque declined prosecution, May 9, 1966, in view of the association of EVANGELISTA latter identified as DONALD DAVID WICKSON, and LUCIER with the owners of the vehicle.

Investigation disclosed the South Pasadena Police planned to obtain a Grand Theft Auto warrants and that the Worcester, Massachusetts Police had warrants on both WICKSON and LUCIER as of May 1966

The Los Angeles Police Department advised June 4, 1968, that a 1968 Mustang convertible with Massachusetts license had been recovered on that date at the Los Angeles International Airport and it was ascertained that this vehicle had been reported stolen to the Worcester Police, May 9, 1968. Inquiry revealed that WICKSON, using a Massachusetts Drivers license of PAUL LETSKY of Worcester, had rented the Mustang, May 6, 1968, at Worcester from the Heywood Leasing Company. LETSKY's apartment had been broken into and license and clothing stolen.

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WICKSON during interview at his residence by SA KENNETH R. OLSON and SA GERALD F. MOORE, November 25, 1963, admitted renting the above Mustang, under the name of LETSKY, driving it to Los Angeles and abandoning it at the International Airport.

On November 27, 1963 a complaint was filed by SA STEVEN E. DUCKER, before United States Commissioner JOHN A. CHILDRESS at Los Angeles, California, charging WICKSON with a one count violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2312, the Interstate Transportation of a Stolen Motor Vehicle, which involved the Mustang Convertible.

A warrant was issued and WICKSON was in a fugitive status as of December 6, 1963.

It was further ascertained that the South Pasadena Police Department still held a Grand Theft Auto warrant for WICKSON but was delaying action on it pending the results of the Federal prosecution. The Worcester, Massachusetts Police, as of November 22, 1963, held felony warrants for DONALD WICKSON, charging 25 counts of larceny and 13 counts of uttering and forgery and one count of larceny of a motor vehicle.

The records of Grand County Colorado, October 25, 1963, revealed that DONALD WICKSON was arrested by the Colorado State Patrol; August 6, 1963, at Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado, for driving without a valid drivers license and served 30 days in the County jail. These records described WICKSON as, white, male, American, born June 29, 1943 at Worcester, Massachusetts, 5'7" tall, 140 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes.

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DONALD WICKSON, Apartment 9, 5933 Gregory Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone 466-0550, telephoned the FBI office in response to an attempt to contact him at his apartment by Special Agent LESLIE F. WARREN on the previous day. Mr. WICKSON said that he had no additional information to add to his previous interview conducted by the FBI with respect to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. WICKSON claimed that he had been employed at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot, as a waiter and had been in the room on the first floor below the Embassy Room at the time of the actual shooting and had not observed any activity before or after the shooting, which, in his opinion, was related to it. He continued that he had been examining photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspapers and on television to ascertain if he may have observed SIRHAN at any time before. He had reached the conclusion that he had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time.

Mr. WICKSON said that while employed as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel, he had used the name of DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA. His true name, however, was DONALD WICKSON, and he was born June 29, 1940, at Worcester, Massachusetts, under this name. His reason for using the name EVANGELISTA was that he had gotten into some trouble with the police in Worcester, Massachusetts, which was now straightened out, and had switched to the name of EVANGELISTA. He claimed to be presently using the name of WICKSON.

Mr. WICKSON related that he was currently attending a work orientation program at the University of California at Los Angeles, which was financed by the United States Government. He expected to obtain a position with possibly the California State Department of Employment or some related type position when he finished the course, which would be in the immediate future.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING INFORMATION
FURNISHED BY JOHN FAHEY,
LOS ANGELES, THAT ON JUNE 4, 1968,
HE AND A BLONDE WOMAN WERE
FOLLOWED BY INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED BY
FAHEY TO BE MUNIR SIRHAN

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It was previously reported that JOHN FAHEY, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968, had been in the company of a blonde woman whom he had met earlier that morning at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. During breakfast with this woman at the Ambassador Hotel Coffee Shop on June 4, 1968, FAHEY noticed a man in the entrance to the coffee shop staring at them. FAHEY subsequently identified a photograph of MUNIR SIRHAN as looking like the individual staring into the coffee shop.

Following are results of interview of JOHN FAHEY on September 9, 1968, by officers of the Los Angeles, California Police Department concerning this matter:

1 TAPE #29588

2 TAPE RECORDED INTERVIEW OF JOHN FAHEY

3 SEPTEMBER 9, 1968, 7:30 P.M.

4 TAPED IN ROOM 318, PARKER CENTER

5 QUESTIONED BY: LT. E. HERNANDEZ, S.U.S. UNIT

6 SGT. P. R. ALEXANDER, S.U.S. UNIT

7 TRANSCRIBED BY: STELLA C. ROTH, INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

8 ** INDICATES UNINTELLIGIBLE

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10 LT. HERNANDEZ: Okay, I'm going to get started
11 here and see how far we can go.

12 A Thank you.

13 LT. HERNANDEZ: Okay, John, for the purposes of
14 this interview, Sgt. Phil Alexander; my name's Hernandez,
15 and the gentleman here is John Fahey, F-a-h-e-y; the
16 stenographer, John, for your information is Mr. Ron Horlacher;
17 and he's going to take this statement verbatim. Now, what
18 we're trying to do here, John, is to determine the truth
19 concerning statements made by you to members of the FBI and
20 to other members of the Los Angeles Police Department. And
21 I hope you'll be truthful with me at this time.

22 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: Now, on June 4, 1968, did
23 you meet a young woman at the Ambassador Hotel?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q Was there anything during your association with
26 that woman that led you to believe that she was in any way
connected with the assassination of Senator Kennedy?

A No, sir.

Q Did you tell anyone, either the FBI or other

1 police officers anything that would have led them to believe
2 that she was involved in the assassination of Kennedy?

3 A At the time I was excited, and I had this fear
4 in me because of what--of the events that took place that
5 day. I could have done it erroneously; yes, sir.

6 Q Okay, erroneously now, John, do you remember
7 what you told these people?

8 A That possibly she could be the girl they were
9 looking for.

-10 Q Would you repeat that, please?

11 A That possibly she could have been the girl that
12 they were looking for.

13 Q Now, by the girl that they were looking for,
-14 were you--

15 A --for the girl that was possibly involved in
16 something.

17 Q Do you have any specific girl in mind?

18 A The girl that I was with that date.

19 Q What made you believe that the FBI or anyone
20 was interested in that girl?

21 A Because, ah, well, it was known that a girl was
22 involved.

23 Q Uh huh.

24 A And that from what the lady had made statements
25 to me about, reflection of her bad taste toward Mr. Kennedy
26 or the party that he was involved with, led me to believe

2
1 that possibly that she had something to do with it.

2 Q Okay, as a matter of fact, John, now you know
3 that in your mind all along there was nothing that happened
4 that would lead any reasonable person to form a belief that
5 she was connected with the assassination of Senator Kennedy,
6 was there?

7 A Now that I have sat down and thought it all
8 through, you're right; yes, sir.

9 Q Okay, now after you left the Ambassador Hotel on
10 the 4th of June, you had indicated that you thought (you
11 were being followed. Why did you say that?)

12 A Maybe you would drive up Wilshire, you take them
13 there with you all the way--you take a right, and they keep
14 continue going, but this man stayed right with me.

15 Q Did he at any time threaten you?

16 A No, sir.

17 Q Okay now, let's go to the Volkswagen. You
18 described that as a blue vehicle?

19 A Yes, the same color as the Ford.

20 Q Blue.

21 A Right.

22 Q Did this car follow you?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q Where did it follow you to?

25 A It was following me on the road towards Oxnard,
26 and it was apparent that we were being watched or followed,

1 and I had a desire to pull over and find out, as I said to
2 the girl, the lady, I'm going to find out who in the hell
3 they are following us. So I took a left, and I pulled over
4 on the rocks. This is the area. And I parked. He pulled
5 over and parked on my right and got out of his car.

6 Q Did you talk with that man, the driver?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q Did he say anything to you?

9 A No, sir.

10 Q Did he threaten you?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q Okay, now going back to the woman. You described
13 her to me as being a nutty individual; what did you mean by
14 that?

15 A Her statements, her conversations at times like
16 talking about Kennedy the way she did, talking about McCarthy
17 the way she did. She didn't like any of them. She was on
18 the move. She said she'd only been here three days from
19 New York. She had a lot of clothes she had to ship to
20 Australia.

21 THE REPORTER: Slow down.

22 A Excuse me.

23 THE REPORTER: She had only been here three days
24 from New York?

25 A Right.

26 THE REPORTER: She had what to ship to
Australia?

1 A [redacted] had a lot of clothes [redacted] said and she had
2 to ship them to Australia. She wanted to get out of the
3 country. She was leaving the country.

4 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: Would you describe this
5 individual as a hippie?

6 A In one respect she--you could look at her as a
7 hippie; yes, sir.

8 Q Okay, so you've described her as a hippie and as
9 a--

10 A Or a lady who travels like say the Middle East.

11 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: Not an American or like you
12 and I, we take a shower every couple of days, or we shave
13 ourselves real good to keep clean?

14 A No.

15 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: I'm trying to keep slow so
16 the gentleman can get the information.

17 A Excuse me.

18 Q Why do you say the Middle East? Why the Middle
19 East?

20 A Features. Her accent, the way she used at times.
21 She had an accent and when she gave me her real name, as
22 what she said, Oppenheimer, I figured Middle East, Middle
23 East.

24 Q Okay, but she was a nutty type person to you?

25 A Yes, sir.

26 Q And she looked like a hippie?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q Did you ever form the idea in your mind that the
3 people that were following, if they were following you, might
4 have been a boyfriend or a husband or someone that knew her?

5 A It could have been; yes, sir.

6 Q Did you think about this?

7 A Not at that time; no, sir.

8 Q Have you ever thought about it?

9 A No, sir.

10 Q Will you think about it now?

11 A Yes, sir, it could be; yes, sir, that could be
12 true.

13 Q Is there anything, John, in your mind, that you
14 could tell us that happened to you on the 4th of June that
15 might have any connection, even the slightest connection,
16 with the assassination of Senator Kennedy?

17 A There isn't anything, sir.

18 Q Are you telling the truth now?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q Is there anything you want to ask, Phil?

21 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: I just want to get this
22 cleared up about Ferrando Faura. You say that there's been
23 many times that he has insinuated things to you and put
24 words in your mouth, so to speak, led you to believe certain
25 things that you consequently found out not to be true and
26 so forth?

1 I'd like you to expound on that a little bit just to
2 say for the record to get it straight.

3 A Ah, well ask me some questions about it, and I
4 can go from there, huh?

5 Q All right, has Fernando Faura ever told you,
6 for instance, that---that this woman that you was with had
7 anything to do with Kennedy's assassination?

8 A When I first went to Fernando Faura, I explained
9 my story to him that I was with this lady, and regardless
10 whether she was the girl or wasn't the girl, was immaterial;
11 that, however, we would find this lady, and from that point
12 on he took me out to the San Fernando Police Station and
13 interrogated me at great length on several different
14 occasions. And I actually was led to believe that he was
15 part of the Police Department there through his conversations
16 with me, and he made me feel as if through the course of our
17 interrogations that this was the girl that we were looking
18 for or that you gentlemen were looking for. And as our
19 association went on, it just elevated until where that he
20 was following the FBI. There was some hotel man that he
21 contacted; that the FBI had contacted, and this was how they---
22 he and this--whoever this photographer was, got involved
23 with this hotel situation was because of this man by the
24 name of Hammond. He's a hotel manager or something of this
25 nature, and this Hammond gave him information that the FBI
26 was staking out a girl, supposed to be my girl et cetera,

1 and as things of this nature built up and elevated, and he
2 tried to make me believe that this was the girl. And
3 naturally I become excited and I become feared and appauled
4 about it, and he took me back to San Fernando Police Station
5 where I met a Lt. Stein. He had me sit with him in a--
6 I got an--Ident Kit they called? And put description of the
7 girl--my girl together. Then he took this ident composite
8 to a hippie artist, and he drew this girl in color. Then he
9 had snapshots made of this girl, and he's been showing this
10 girl to different witnesses. He took me to a hypnotist, a
11 doctor, who is supposed to have hypnotized me, and he really
12 didn't. I was--if he did, I--I was unaware of it, and there
13 was a witness there called Chuck that was supposed to have
14 worked for the Kennedy people at that time, and he identified
15 the picture as the girl or one of the girls that was supposed
16 to have been there or something of that nature. Ah, he
17 stated also that this maitre d', DiPierro, has identified
18 the girl as that--the girl, being the girl.

19 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: But as a matter of fact, John,
20 this girl that you're referring to from the Ident Kit, you
21 knew all along this girl didn't exist; didn't you?

22 A The girl exists. The girl, my girl, that was
23 with me that day?

24 Q Yes.

25 A That's who the girl is, the picture is of.

26 Q Well, is it a picture of the person that you

1 were with--

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q --or close to it?

4 A The girl--no, the picture is of the girl that
5 was with me that day.

6 Q Is it a good likeness to the girl?

7 A Pretty close; yes, sir, pretty close.

8 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: Okay, so then he did more or
9 less strengthen your mind in these beliefs?

10 A Yes, sir, he did.

11 Q He created some of these beliefs in your mind?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q In other words--

14 A Calling me up several times and wanting me to
15 meet him at the Citizen News. He had a gentleman there with
16 a bunch of pictures he wanted me to pick out a girl. There
17 were several pictures they showed me. I never picked out
18 any girl because I never saw a girl--a description of the
19 girl that was with me.

20 Q Okay, so then he did create some of this a--

21 A Romanticism or something like that.

22 Q Yeah.

23 A Right. He romanced me **.

24 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: Fantasy something that you
25 knew was not true; that he put words in your mouth?

26 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: In other words, he took the

1 situation as you laid it to him and then he related it back
2 to you and told you how it could possibly have been after
3 Senator Kennedy--

4 A Yes, sir, Sarge, that's right.

5 Q That wasn't your idea?

6 A No, sir; it was his idea.

7 Q Right.

8 A Naturally I fell into it, and I went along with
9 it because, well, like he said, possibly she could be the
10 girl or she is the girl and toward the end he kept saying,
11 well, she's the girl.

12 THE REPORTER: A little bit slower, please.

13 A Excuse me.

14 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: You went along with it.

15 A I went along with it because, well, I was with
16 this girl that day; and when he tells me something, I believed
17 it because the man works out in the police station in San
18 Fernando, and I took the man at his word. And when he would
19 tell me that another witness has identified my picture--the
20 girl that was with me, that gives you a little strength, and
21 you begin to wonder and you become feared, and I was--

22 Q When he took you to this hypnotist, can you
23 recall the hypnotist's name?

24 A Yes, Dr. LaScola.

25 Q Dr. LaScol--

26 A La, L-a-S-c-o-l-a.

1 Q Would you spell that again, please?

2 A L-a-S-c-o-l-a, and he's out in Santa Monica across
3 from St. John's Hospital in the Medical Building there.

4 Q Now, you say to the best of your recollection
5 you never were under hypnotic trance; is that right?

6 A He attempted to put me under--he attempted to
7 hypnotize me. But I say he didn't do it. I was alive like
8 I'm talking with you now.

9 Q You can recall everything that went on?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q Totally?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q What did he try to implant anything in your mind?

14 A He said we were--we were going to have later on
15 a long discussion. He was going to hypnotize me again; that
16 I would be thinking about this; and that--about the girl;
17 that he and I would have a long talk about her and the events
18 that took place that day. I will say he did stimulate my
19 mind. For example, this girl told me where her ex-husband
20 was, on the island of Taipei because he had worked over
21 there for the FAA or with them or some association. And it
22 helped to remind his name. He did stimulate my mind a little
23 bit, but he--he didn't hypnotize me. I wasn't under--I've
24 never been hypnotized, so I can't tell you what to expect
25 about it.

26 Q You do have an independent recollection now,

1 here though, the occurrences of that day?

2 A Yes.

3 Q And you say that he took you also to a polygraph
4 examination?

5 A Yes, sir, he did.

6 Q Do you recall the name of that person that con-
7 ducted your--

8 A --Mr. Chris Gugas.

9 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: John, if I may, in relation
10 to that polygraph examination, you know, and quite truthfully,
11 frankly with each other in all ** you were not truthful with
12 Mr. Gugas all the way in what you believed?

13 A Right. Yes.

14 Q Yes, upon the conclusion of the test, what did
15 Mr. Gugas tell you?

16 A He told me as a whole I was telling the truth.
17 And Fernando had called me the following Sunday at home, and
18 he says I came through like a champion.

19 Q Okay, now, forget about what Fernando told you,
20 but just knowing the way you answered certain questions there,
21 did he specifically tell you what questions you had answered
22 truthfully and which questions you had showed deception on?

23 A Yes, sir, he did tell me a couple of them. He
24 said about I had a rise, as the language rise, on what the
25 girl had said to me at the hotel about "they're going to
26 take care of Mr. Kennedy that night at the winning reception."

1 There was another one. I just don't remember it offhand.

2 Q Okay, now, which questions do you remember lying
3 about or not being truthful to Mr. Gugas on that he said you
4 answered truthfully. And you know quite well what areas--

5 A Did I tell the truth to the FBI. Did I tell the
6 truth to the LAPD and in, as I understand in myself, now that
7 going through over a period of a couple months being
8 romanced like this that I wasn't telling the truth.

9 Q I see. Has anyone promised you anything for you
10 to make these statements here tonight?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q Has anyone forced you to make these statements
13 here tonight?

14 A No, sir.

15 Q Are the statements you have made here the truth
16 to the best of your ability as you know the truth to be?

17 A Yes, sir, Mr. Hernandez.

18 Q Just for my own curiosity in concluding this
19 statement here, John, really what happened here as men we know
20 it that you were worried and possibly afraid in your wife
21 finding out about this girl. Basically that's what happened
22 that night, is that right?

23 A I was concerned about my wife that night about
24 the girl.

25 Q You were not?

26 A I was not concerned, I'm sorry. I would have

1 told her the truth and I did.

2 Q But not that night.

3 A No, sir, I didn't tell her that night.

4 Q That's what I'm saying. In essence the reason
5 that all this really happened is because you were concerned
6 about your wife misunderstanding what had happened with that
7 girl; is that a fair statement?

8 A Well, no. No, no, I didn't state all this to
9 cover up anything. No, sir.

10 Q Well, why then, John?

11 A Like I said I have been romanced over a period
12 of a couple months.

13 Q By Mr. Fernando?

14 A And led to believe certain things were true and
15 naturally you become excited. You're full of fear, and you,
16 uh, you're led to believe that she's the girl.

17 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: Let me ask you this, is this
18 a fair statement? Certain portions of all that you have said
19 in this past three months, certain portions of it, you feel
20 are basically true?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Other--other portions of the story have been
23 elaborated upon?

24 A Yes, sir, Sergeant; yes, sir.

25 Q Not because you would have elaborated on them
26 yourself, but because you have been led to elaborate upon

1 them by other people such as Fernando Faura, his hypnotist,
2 his polygraph examiner, his hippie artist?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q And other people that he has introduced you to
5 which has lent weight and credibility.

6 A Now, you're--yes, sir.

7 Q To the--to the story which Mr. Faura has tried
8 to build surrounding the basic truthful events which did
9 occur. Is that a--is that a--

10 A --that's a very clear statement; yes, sir.

11 Q Is that a fair statement?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q In other words, the nucleus of this whole story
14 is that you made a faux pas, and you went with a woman whom
15 you shouldn't have?

16 A That's right.

17 Q And as a result of having gone out with that woman
18 you attached some significance to it when you heard about
19 the assassination the following day?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q In an effort to divulge any information that you
22 felt you might possibly have, you went to the authorities
23 and then you subsequently contacted Fernando Faura. And at
24 that point he started elaborating on this story?

25 A Yes, sir.

26 Q And it built itself up to the point where it

1 stands today where there have been many fabrications and
2 elaborations on the original basic truthful story?

3 A Yes, that is correct.

4 SGT. ALEXANDER: Okay.

5 Q BY LT. HERNANDEZ: In my mind though, John, as
6 I understand you, you had no sound basis or any basis where
7 any reasonable person would have formed a foundation of
8 truthfulness as far as any connection with this woman and the
9 assassination of Kennedy.

10 A No, sir, only that someone was after me for my
11 car possibly, or I was getting hijacked or something. Yes,
12 sir.

13 LT. HERNANDEZ: Okay, the time is now 8 p.m.,
14 and this interview is concluded.

15 A Where's my wife? Did she come in?

16 LT. HERNANDEZ: No, I told you we pulled that
17 car (sic) out because we felt that you know we've had faith
18 in you even though you've wanted to hold back on us, we've
19 had faith with you all the way through this thing, and the
20 last thing we wanted to do was implicate your wife in any
21 way. There's no reason for it.

22 A I appreciate that. Believe me.

23 LT. HERNANDEZ: The whole concern--

24 A Because I love my wife and, gentlemen, and I
25 want to keep her.

26 LT. HERNANDEZ: Sure.

1 SGT. ALEXANDER: We're both married men and we
2 have families, and it's difficult to find a good woman.

3 A Yes, sir.

4 SGT. ALEXANDER: And just because you happened
5 to be a man who went out and acted a man, and we fully
6 understand this, there's no reason why we should want to
7 harm you in any fashion. All we wanted to do is get this
8 situation straightened out in compliance with the wishes of
9 our superiors, and that's what we feel that we've done here
10 by eliciting these truthful statements from you.

11 LT. HERNANDEZ: Okay, John.

12 A Could Fernando in any way attempt to come back
13 at me?

14 LT. HERNANDEZ: No, here's the thing, now I was
15 going to mention this, if he bothers you any more, you refer
16 him to us.

17 A He can be pretty nasty.

18 LT. HERNANDEZ: You don't have to talk to him.
19 Hang up on him. Tell him to call--you can use my name or
20 Alexander's name. We'll talk to him.

21 Q BY SGT. ALEXANDER: Do you have my card still?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 LT. HERNANDEZ: You tell him just that.

24 SGT. ALEXANDER: If it becomes necessary, like I
25 told you before, if he comes to your place and you have to
26 call the police to get rid of him, display that car and

1 explain that you have been down to the police station
2 relative to the Kennedy investigation and that this man is
3 attempting to concoct some story for the purposes of news-
4 paper publication surrounding the events that you discussed
5 with us and that this is not your desire and that you want
6 the police to escort that man away from your home.

7 A Okay.

8 SGT. ALEXANDER: If he refuses to go, then he
9 can be put in jail for disturbing the peace, trespassing on
10 private property.

11 LT. HERNANDEZ: Sure, this is your inherent
12 right. Nobody can go around bothering you, John. Well,
13 okay that's it.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], AGE 17,
WHO CONTACTED JACKSON OFFICE
OF THE FBI IN OCTOBER 1968,
CLAIMING TO BE SUBRINA DUBLE,
AGE 17, WHO HAD INFORMATION
CONCERNING ASSASSINATION

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Information was previously reported that on October 10, 1968, a young female telephonically contacted the Jackson Office of the FBI, identifying herself as Miss SUBRINA DUBLE, age 17. She refused to furnish her address or telephone number, but stated her call was to furnish the FBI with information concerning the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. Miss DUBLE related a rambling episode of how she met an individual whom she had cause to believe was involved in the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Another call was received from this individual by the Jackson Office of the FBI on October 16, 1968, and on October 19, 1968, she telephonically contacted an Agent of the FBI at Biloxi, Mississippi. On neither call did she furnish further information.

On December 3, 1968, [REDACTED], age 17, was interviewed at Pascagoula, Mississippi, and admitted that he had made several telephone calls to the Jackson Office of the FBI identifying himself as a 17-year old white female named SUBRINA DUBLE.

Following are results of interviews of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], and his mother, LOUISA MYRTLE PITTS:

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██████████ ██████████ ██████████, interviewed at his home, 546 North Fair Street, Pascagoula, at first denied and then in the presence of his mother admitted that he made several telephone calls to the Jackson Office of the FBI in which he identified himself as a seventeen-year-old white female named SUBRINA DUBLE and that in these calls he stated he had pertinent information regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

He stated he has no information whatsoever regarding the KENNEDY assassination except what he has heard and read in the newspapers. He said that he does not know what motivated him to make these telephone calls.

Throughout the interview, ██████████ was uncommunicative and stared at the floor.

The following description was obtained by interview and observation:

Name	██████████ ██████████ ██████████, ██████████
Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Birth	December 27, 1950, at Pascagoula, Mississippi
Height	5'9"
Weight	145 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Mother	LOUISA MYRTLE PITTS
Father	LEE JOSEPH PITTS, SR.
Residence	546 North Fair Street, Pascagoula, Mississippi
Education	High school graduate

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On 12/3/68 at Pascagoula, Mississippi File # Jackson 56-94

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Mrs. LOUISA MYRTLE PITTS, who was present while her son, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], was interviewed, advised that she is employed as a school crossing guard by the Pascagoula, Mississippi, Police Department. She stated she has had difficulty with her son who was recently arrested by the Pascagoula Police Department while making telephone calls using an assumed name and posing as a white female.

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INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE
KHALID IQBAL, WHO
APPEARED ON PODIUM IN
EMBASSY ROOM, AMBASSADOR HOTEL,
WITH SENATOR KENNEDY PRIOR TO ASSASSINATION

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Date 12/2/68

TEDDY MARIE NAPIUS, 1518 Diamond Avenue, was interviewed at her residence, at which time she furnished the following information:

During April and May of 1968, she worked as a volunteer for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. During this time she worked out of the campaign headquarters, which was located on Wilshire Boulevard. On the night of Senator KENNEDY'S assassination, she was at the Ambassador Hotel, however, at the time of the shooting, she was in the downstairs ballroom and not in the vicinity of Senator KENNEDY. She could furnish no information as to the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

She said that in talking with some of her friends who were also volunteers for KENNEDY, she had learned that the FBI had been attempting to identify various people who were around Senator KENNEDY at the time of the shooting. In observing some photographs in the June 14, 1968 "Time" magazine, she noticed a Jordanian, known to her as ALI AHMAND, standing on the podium near Senator KENNEDY, just prior to the time when he went into the kitchen. It appeared in the photograph that AHMAND was attempting to take photographs.

She had met AHMAND in May 1968 at a party held by the Volunteers for KENNEDY, after the Indiana Primary Election. She believed this party was on May 7, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel. In talking with him, she learned that he was a Jordanian, that he had been in Los Angeles for two or three years, and although he was not actually working for Senator KENNEDY, he was interested in the political process in America, and that was the reason he came to the party at the Ambassador Hotel. They discussed foreign policy and various aspects of the American political scene. During this discussion, AHMAND made no comment which indicated he had any particularly militant attitudes towards any American politicians.

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NAFIUS advised that she did not know AHMAND'S address, although he had told her that he was working at Microdot, in South Pasadena, California. She advised that she had no particular reason for bringing this to the attention of the FBI, since AHMAND did not express any violent opinions, but merely mentioned it because her friends had said that the FBI was trying to identify the Jordanian in the "Time" magazine photograph. This photograph appeared on page 17 of the June 14 issue.

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MIKE HEINEKE, Engineer, Microdot, 220 Pasadena, was interviewed at his place of employment at which time he furnished the following information:

He observed a photograph located on page 17 of the June 14, 1968 issue of "Time" magazine which showed ROBERT KENNEDY giving his victory speech after the California Primary Election, at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. In this photograph was a man who HEINEKE identified as KHALID IQBAL. It is noted that this is the same man who was pointed out by TEDDY MARIE NAFIUS at the time of her interview on November 26, 1968.

HEINEKE stated that he had known IQBAL for about nine months while he was working as an electrical engineer for Microdot at the South Pasadena Plant. He stated that IQBAL had often mentioned that he was at the Ambassador Hotel when Senator KENNEDY was shot, however, according to what he had been told by IQBAL, IQBAL did not actually see the shooting. In the course of these conversations IQBAL said that he did not know SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and was not in sympathy with SIRHAN. HEINEKE stated that IQBAL was very much impressed by Senator KENNEDY and considered him to be a great man. At no time did he show any hatred of KENNEDY and in fact was very respectful and admiring. HEINEKE last saw IQBAL on about October 19, 1968 when he left Los Angeles for the Olympic Games in Mexico City. At that time it was IQBAL's intention to return to his native Pakistan and work there as an electrical engineer in the Government Program. HEINEKE said that he does not recall what city IQBAL was from. He believed it was Illyapur, Pakistan. He was not certain of the spelling of the city. To HEINEKE's knowledge, IQBAL had no intention of returning to the United States.

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Mrs. PATRICIA WHITE, 819 South Irolo Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that KHALID IQBAL had resided at that address for a period of nearly two years. Mrs. WHITE advised that she had managed the apartments at that address for the past year and had been acquainted with IQBAL. Mrs. WHITE stated that IQBAL left Los Angeles in October, 1968 while still owing two weeks back rent. Mrs. WHITE advised that she had no idea where IQBAL might have gone but she believed he had returned to Pakistan. Mrs. WHITE stated that a number of debt collectors had been looking for IQBAL.

Mrs. WHITE stated that IQBAL was present at the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. She stated that he carried a camera around his neck and he was allowed to get very close to the stage from which the Senator had given his victory speech. She stated that IQBAL passed himself off as a representative of the Pakistanian Press and was able to get quite close to Senator KENNEDY at times.

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by SA FREDRICK E. BECKER/eja Date dictated 1/22/69

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JOHN R. MANN, Personnel Manager, Microdot, Incorporated, 220 Pasadena Avenue, South Pasadena, California, advised that KHALID IQBAL was an employee of his company from September, 1967 to August, 1968. Mr. MANN advised that IQBAL had reportedly left the Los Angeles area in October, 1968 as he was illegally charging Avis Rent-A-Car bills to Microdot from Mexico in October, 1968. Mr. MANN further advised that a number of debt collectors had been seeking IQBAL.

MANN stated that IQBAL was present at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on the night that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was shot. He stated that IQBAL went to the hotel and passed himself off as a representative of the "Pakistanian Times" and he carried a camera. MANN stated that IQBAL was able to get quite close to Senator KENNEDY.

MANN stated that he personally viewed a photograph published in "Time Magazine" which reflected Senator KENNEDY on a stage at the Ambassador Hotel and giving his victory speech. MANN stated that he was able to identify KHALID IQBAL as being in the crowd before the stage.

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1Date 1/27/69

JOHN R. MANN, Personnel Manager, Microdot, Incorporated, 220 Pasadena Avenue, South Pasadena, California, advised that he had just received a letter from KHALID IQBAL.

The letter from IQBAL stated that he had returned to his native Pakistan and had no intention of returning to the United States. The letter made a request of Microdot to refund any withheld funds he might have coming.

IQBAL is currently residing in care of M. GULZAR, Shop No. 2, Jamia Cloth Market, Lyallpur, Pakistan.

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JOHN R. MANN, Personnel Manager, Microdot, Incorporated, 220 Pasadena Avenue, South Pasadena, California, was shown an enlarged copy of the photograph recently published at the top of pages 22 and 23 in the January 17, 1969 issue of "Life Magazine." This photograph depicted Senator ROBERT KENNEDY during his victory speech at the Ambassador Hotel just minutes before he was shot.

Mr. MANN was able to identify KHALID IQBAL as being the photographer on the stage with Senator and numerous other persons. MANN described IQBAL as being the dark complected person who can be seen standing to the immediate left of JESSE UNRUH and pointing a camera at the Senator in the photograph exhibited.

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Records of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Los Angeles, reflected the following information concerning KHALID IQBAL under number A13 558957:

IQBAL entered the United States on September 28, 1962 at New York, New York as a student with a F-1 classification. IQBAL held Pakistanian Passport [REDACTED] which was to expire on November 17, 1966.

IQBAL was born on December 18, 1938 in Indo Pakistan, Pakistan.

IQBAL was financially supported by his family while in the United States.

He attended National Technical Schools, 4000 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, and Pacific States University, Los Angeles.

In 1960, IQBAL's I-53 registration card dated January 27, 1968, reflected IQBAL's residence as 819 South Irolo Street, Los Angeles. It further reflects that IQBAL was employed by Microdot, Incorporated, 220 Pasadena, South Pasadena, California, and held Social Security Number [REDACTED]

IQBAL is a citizen of Pakistan and he last entered the United States on December 24, 1965 at Honolulu as a student.

On January 15, 1968, SE GAREY D. POWELL determined from the records of the Los Angeles County Traffic Violations Bureau that IQBAL received a speeding ticket for speeding and paid a fine of \$22.50 on May 2, 1968.

KHALID IQBAL is described as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	December 18, 1938

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Place of Birth	Pakistan
Height	5'11"
Weight	165 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black

On January 16, 1968 the records of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association reflected that IQBAL had a number of bad credit collection accounts, and resided at 819 South Irolo Street, Los Angeles.

On January 17, 1969, it was determined that IQBAL had no record with the Los Angeles Police Department.

On January 17, 1969, it was determined that IQBAL had no record with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office.

On January 22, 1969, it was determined that IQBAL is currently residing in his native country of Pakistan and has no intention of returning to the United States.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING A LETTER
DATED MAY 5, 1968, ADDRESSED TO
MR. S. B. SIRHAN, c/o JOHN WEIDNER
AND POSTMARKED UTRECHT, NETHERLANDS

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JOHN H. WEIDNER, owner of Organic-Pasadena, health food store located at 1380 North Lake Avenue, Pasadena, California, previously advised that he employed SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN as a stock boy at his Pasadena store from September 24, 1967 through March 7, 1968.



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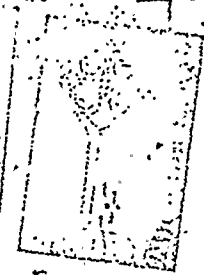
November 19, 1968

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

On November 18, 1968, the Directie Politie (Directorate of Police, Ministry of Justice, the Netherlands) furnished the following information:

The Chief Commissioner of Police, Utrecht, Netherlands, received a copy of a letter addressed to the subject and postmarked in Utrecht. This copy was forwarded by cover letter dated July 30, 1968, bearing File Reference No. 6.24 and signed by Robert A. Houghton, Deputy Chief Commander, Detective Bureau, Department of Police, 150 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California. The Los Angeles Police asked that the writer of the letter be traced and interviewed. A copy of that letter is incorporated in this memorandum as Pages 2-4.

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