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FROM: *WJS* SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: KENSALT
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A review of investigation conducted to date in the captioned matter indicates that interviews previously requested by Los Angeles have not been completed. It is requested that all interviews be completed by 11/30/68. If previously submitted, please advise as to date of communications and spelling of names.

Records indicate interviews are still outstanding on the following:

DR. PHILLIP D. BONNET ✓

JAMES L. DENNIS ✓

MR. and MRS. ATTILLIO GRANITO ✓

KENNETH HUMPHREYS

VIRGINIA M. SATER ✓

FRANK L. SNELL ✓

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (P)
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(OO: LA)

Re LA let to SF, 11/5/68.

Enclosed for San Diego is a copy of a diagram of the area of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, where former Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot about 12:15 A.M., 6/5/68.

The following is furnished for the information of San Diego:

Mrs. VIRGINIA M. SATIR was one of the speakers at a seminar on hospital administration held at the Ambassador Hotel from June 3 through 6, 1968. She stayed at the Ambassador Hotel during this period on the basis of a reservation made for her by the American College of Hospital Administration, San Francisco, California.

The Los Angeles Office has requested that she be interviewed in an effort to determine whether she might be in possession of any information concerning a possible conspiracy in the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, might know SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, or might have seen SIRHAN about the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

All information, whether positive or negative, should be incorporated into an FD-302, with 22 copies to be furnished the Los Angeles Office.

No photograph of SIRHAN for display to Mrs. SATIR is being furnished San Diego as it is assumed that office has such photographs.

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SUSAN M. POWERS, 1900 Eddy Street, San Francisco, secretary to Mrs. SATIR, advised on 11/16/68 that SATIR is in practically a continual travel status, talking at various seminars held throughout the United States, and it is not known when she will return to San Francisco. However, SATIR will be giving a seminar at Kairo's, P. O. Box 350, Rancho Santa Fe, San Diego, California, telephone number 756-1123, from Monday, 11/18/68, through Friday, 11/22/68.

The Los Angeles Office has requested that all outstanding investigation in this case be completed no later than 11/30/68.

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SAN DIEGO OFFICE

At Kairo's, P. O. Box 350, Rancho Santa Fe, California, will locate and interview Mrs. VIRGINIA M. SATIR.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/14/681

KENNETH HUMPHREYS, Executive Director, California Veterinary Medical Association, 3630 Park Boulevard, Oakland, California, advised as follows:

On June 3 and 4, 1968, he was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and left for Palm Springs, California, on June 5, 1968. At 12:15 AM, June 5, 1968, he was in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel known as the Embassy Room. At the time of the confusion and statements by unknown individuals that someone had been shot, he was attempting to make his way toward JESSIE UNRUH, a California politician, but because of the crush of people, was unable to reach him. HUMPHREYS then returned to his room in the Hotel.

HUMPHREYS stated that he has never known SIRHAN SIRHAN and cannot state that he saw this individual around the Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968. He said he has no information concerning the murder of Senator KENNEDY and no information concerning a possible conspiracy.

On 11/14/68 at Oakland, California File # SF 62-5481-371
by W. H. NOTT:bfr Date dictated 11/14/68

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Re: KENNETH HUMPHREYS
California Veterinary Medical Association
3630 Park Boulevard, Oakland, California

Re LA let to SF, 10/17/68.

Attached are 22 copies of an FD-302 covering the interview
of HUMPHREYS.

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Re LA airtel to SF, 11/14/68.

Reairtel requests the status of leads to this office to interview Dr. PHILLIP D. BONNET, JAMES L. DENNIS, Mr. and Mrs. ATTILLIO GRANITO, and FRANK L. SNELL. By airtel 11/14/68 addressed to your office, leads were set out for other offices to conduct the interviews of these persons.

Reairtel also requested information concerning a lead to this office for an interview of VIRGINIA M. SATER. By airtel dated 11/18/68, addressed to your office, a lead was set out for the San Diego Office to interview Mrs. SATIR.

The results of the interview of KENNETH HUMPHREYS as referred to in reairtel were forwarded to your office by cover letter dated 11/20/68.

Reairtel also refers to a request for an interview by this office of an AMY F. TALISMAN. Enclosed with our letter to your office dated 10/9/68 were 21 FD-302s including an FD-302 covering interview with a HENRY R. KING on 9/24/68. It will be noted that the requested interview with AMY F. TALISMAN was handled in this FD-302.

All investigation requested of this office in connection with this investigation has now been completed.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

FROM : *Wally* SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: Los Angeles

DATE: 11/18/68

Re Chicago letter to Los Angeles dated 10/9/68.

For the information of the San Francisco Office, referenced letter forwarded 22 copies of an FD-302 to Los Angeles reflecting results of an interview with Mrs. NORMAN YERETSKY of 430 North Adams Street, Hinsdale, Illinois. Mrs. YERETSKY was registered as a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on 6/4 and 6/5/68. In this interview, Mrs. YERETSKY advised that her sister, PHYLLIS MYERS of Wingate Road, Sunnyvale, California, was also registered at the Hotel at the same time.

LEAD

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA: Will interview PHYLLIS MYERS for any information concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

*Mrs Jack Myers
66 Wingate Dr Sunnyvale
(245-2769)*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

FROM : SA WILLIAM P. O'CONNELL

DATE: 11-24-68

SUBJECT: ASSINATION OF ROBERT KENNEDY

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MR. ROBERT IVANOFF, 1603 Lake Street, Calistoga, California, telephone 942-4835 telephoned the San Francisco Office today and advised that he has information that SIRHAN SIRHAN resided in a hotel in Calistoga. He refused to discuss the matter further on the telephone and requested to see an agent. He will be home all day on 11-25-68.

RECOMMENDATION: Have agent covering Calistoga contact IVANOFF for further details on 11-25-68.

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could furnish no info.
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restaurant. No action*

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Date 12/6/68

Mrs. PHYLLIS MYERS, 662 Wingate Drive, advised as follows:

Early in June, 1968, she and her two sisters, Mrs. NORMAN YERETSKY and Mrs. CHARLOTTE CHERRY, went to Los Angeles because of the illness of their mother. The two sisters registered at the Ambassador Hotel, but she did not register herself, as she just slept in an extra bed that was in the room.

They were in the Coffee Shop at the hotel on the night that Senator KENNEDY was killed, but they left just before midnight and went to their room. They noticed nothing unusual or suspicious at that time. They did not hear about the shooting until they woke up the following morning. They did hear a lot of noise in the hall after they went to their room but they did not think anything about it.

She knows nothing at all concerning the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

On 12/3/68 at Sunnyvale, California File # LA 56-156
SF 62-5481-376
by GEORGE HARTLEY / ER Date dictated 12/5/68

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Enclosed are 22 copies of an FD-302 containing results of interview with PHYLLIS MYERS, Sunnyvale, California.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: 12/9/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
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Re: BARBARA BARNETT
1311 Jackson Street
San Francisco, California

In connection with interviews being conducted of guests of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, the New York Division by letter dated 12/4/68 advised that interviews conducted by that office reflected that the captioned person was in the Embassy Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. Miss BARNETT is a former employee of Papert, Lois and Koenig of New York City. She was believed to be in the company of JOAN DWORKIN and CAROL LEWIS, both of whom have been interviewed.

San Francisco is requested to contact Miss BARNETT for any data that she may have that would be of assistance in this investigation.

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Date 1/9/69

BARBARA BARNETT, 1312 Jackson Street, Apartment 11,
telephone 775-0763, advised as follows:

In early June, 1968, she and another girl, CAROL LEWIS, were attending a party given in honor of former Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She was in the Embassy Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel at the approximate time when the Senator was assassinated. She recalls hearing only some noise and a lot of confusion after the noise. She was later told that the noise she probably heard was the sound of shots but she could not identify them as such. In the confusion she did not see the individual involved nor any of the events as they took place.

She is presently employed as a secretary at Glore, Forgan and Staats, Stockbrokers, 221 Montgomery Street, San Francisco.

On 1/8/69 at San Francisco, California File # LA 56-156
SF 62-5481 - 379
by H. ERNEST WOODBY / ER Date dictated 1/9/69

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Re LA let to SF, 12/9/68.

Enclosed are 22 copies of an FD-302 containing results of interview with BARBARA BARNETT, San Francisco, California

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LAURENCE DAVID STRICK, also known as Larry Strick, 11930 Iredell Street, Studio City, California, telephone number TR 7-6151, a student at Hollywood High School in Los Angeles advised as follows:

Mr. STRICK said that for several days before the California Primary Elections on June 4, 1968, he had been a volunteer worker at Senator KENNEDY's Campaign Headquarters at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. He said that he had seen a young man at the KENNEDY Headquarters who he possibly believed to be SIRHAN SIRHAN who had been arrested for shooting Senator KENNEDY. He claimed that he had seen this young man on June 2, 1968, at about 2:00 p.m. and that this person had come into the headquarters and was standing by the front door at the same time a Mr. KHAIBAR KHAN, who had been doing some voluntary work at the KENNEDY Headquarters, was standing at the information desk which is located near the front door at the headquarters. Mr. KHAN had been bringing in a number of young people as volunteer workers, all of whom appeared to be descendants of people who resided in the Arabian countries of the Middle East. Mr. KHAN, himself, appeared that he may have been from the Middle East and reportedly was from Iran.

Mr. STRICK continued that he had asked the young man in question who was standing by the door on June 2, 1968 if he, STRICK, could help him, whereupon the young man replied, "No thank you. I'm with him" and pointed towards Mr. KHAN.

Mr. STRICK said that this young man was possibly around headquarters that afternoon but that this was the only time that he could recall seeing him.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN taken by the Los Angeles Police Department on June 5, 1968 were exhibited to Mr. STRICK who voiced the opinion they were photographs of the person who he believed to be identical to the aforementioned young man who was in the KENNEDY headquarters on June 2, 1968 at approximately 2:00 p.m.

On 6/6/68 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 58-156
by SA LESLIE E. WARREN/alm Date dictated FEB 1 9 25 AM '69
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Mr. STRICK said that he had, since the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, discussed the possibility of SIRHAN SIRHAN having been in the KENNEDY Headquarters, with Mrs. ELLENORE SEVERSON who had been on the information desk at the headquarters at the time and they both had been of the opinion that there was a strong possibility that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been in the headquarters and that he might possibly be known to Mr. KHAN.

STRICK said that Mr. KHAN appeared to be a man 50 years of age, five feet ten inches in height, stocky build, dark hair, fairly dark complexion, large forehead, wore "snappy clothes" and had a plaster cast on one arm.

Mr. STRICK noted that a young girl on crutches had been in the company of Mr. KHAN on one or two occasions between June 2, 1968, and June 4, 1968, at the KENNEDY Headquarters. She had no cast on her leg which appeared to be normal in appearance and on one occasion she came in alone. It was noted that she was driving a blue car of the Camaro type which had a large KENNEDY sticker on the side. She appeared to be in her early 20s, five feet three inches in height, fair complexion, dark hair, slight build.

Mr. STRICK related that he had learned from Mrs. SEVERSON that an itinerary sheet for Senator KENNEDY for June 2, 1968 had turned up missing. There was suspicion that maybe Mr. KHAN had taken it as he was known to have been standing near her desk just before it had been missed.

Mr. STRICK said that all of the voluntary workers brought in by Mr. KHAN reportedly furnished the same address as Mr. KHAN but he could not identify them. He was of the opinion that their names would be on the registrations of volunteer workers in the KENNEDY Headquarters.

Mr. STRICK examined a photograph of SHARIF BISHARA SIRHAN, taken December 18, 1963, and of ADEL SIRHAN, taken June 5, 1968, both brothers of SIRHAN SIRHAN. Mr. STRICK said he had no knowledge of seeing anyone resembling either of these brothers around the Senator KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters or elsewhere.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)
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 SUBJECT: KENSALT

CO: Los Angeles

RE: KHAIBAR KHAN, aka
Khaibar Goodarzian
and family

KHAIBAR KHAN and certain members of his family were volunteer workers at the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign headquarters in Los Angeles from 6/1/68 through 6/4/68.

One of the witnesses who had identified KHAIBAR KHAN, an Iranian National, as having been a volunteer worker at the headquarters was LAURENCE DAVID STRICK, aka Larry Strick, a Hollywood High School Student (see enclosed FD 302 re interview with STRICK 6/6/68).

STRICK had claimed he had seen a person in the headquarters at about 2:00 p.m., 6/2/68, who resembled a photo of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and who had indicated he was with KHAIBAR KHAN:

KHAN and certain members of his family admitted being in the Senator KENNEDY headquarters as volunteer workers between 6/1-4/68 but denied any connection with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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KHAIBAR KHAN and his Secretary MARYANN KOUSHAN, aka Kouchan, who was also a volunteer worker at the headquarters 6/1-4/68 and who was on crutches due to a leg injury at the time, both claimed they had observed a person around Senator KENNEDY's headquarters who closely resembled a photo of SIRHAN SIRHAN, KHAIBAR claiming he had seen this person late on the afternoon of 6/4/68 and MARYANN saw him on the afternoon of 6/2/68 at about 2:30 p.m.

It is desired that STRICK be re-interviewed per lead set out below.

Mrs. SHIRLEY STRICK, mother of LARRY STRICK, 11930 Iredell, Studio City, California, phone TR 7-6151, advised 2/3/69, that LARRY was currently a student at the University of San Francisco.

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: At San Francisco University Box 244, Phelan Hall, San Francisco, California will re-interview LARRY STRICK and exhibit enclosed photos of KHAIBAR KAHN and family to resolve the possibility that the person STRICK previously stated resembled SIRHAN SIRHAN and who indicated he was with KHAIBAR KHAN 6/2/68 (per FD 302) at the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign headquarters in Los Angeles, might in fact have been one of KHAIBAR KHAN's sons.

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(2) Will also ascertain if STRICK recalled seeing any of the female members of KHAIBAR KHAN's family (per the photos) at the campaign headquarters. No photo of MARYANN KOUSHAN available.

Will submit results in FD 302 to the Los Angeles Office.

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The following items are enclosed for the
San Francisco Division:

1. FD 302 of LAURENCE DAVIS STRICK (dated
6/6/68).
 2. Photo of KHAIBAR KHAN (taken 1965)
 3. Photo of TALAT KHAN (divorced wife of KHAIBAR
KHAN).
 4. Photo of AMIER HUSSIN KHAN, aka Todd Khan.
 5. Photo of AMIER BAKHTIAR KHAN, aka Bob Khan.
 6. Photo of AMIER KHOSROW KHAN, aka Mike Khan.
 7. Photo of SHIRAN KHAN, aka Sherry Khan.
 8. Photo of FARAHANGIESE KHAN, aka Fara Khan.
 9. Photo of ROUHANGIZ KHAN, aka Rose Khan
- All other photos above taken in 1968.

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Date 2/17/69

LAURENCE DAVID STRICK, Phelan Hall, University of San Francisco, was shown photographs of the following individuals:

KHAIBAR GOODARZIAN, aka Khaibar Khan
AMIER BAKTIAR GOUDARZIAN, aka Amier Baktiar Khan,
Phillipe Khan, Bob Khan
AMIER HUSSIN GOODARZIAN, aka Amier Hussin Khan, Todd Kahn
TALAT GOODARZIAN, aka Mrs. Khaibar Goodarzian, Mrs. Khaibar
Khan, Mrs. Talat Khan, Mrs. Talat Scandani
SHIRIN GOODARZIAN, aka Shirin Khan, Sherry Khan
FARANGIESE GOODARZIAN, aka Khan, Fara Khan
ROUHANGIZ ROUHI GOODARZIAN, aka Khan, Rose Khan

After viewing the above photographs, STRICK stated that he recognized the photograph of KHAIBAR KHAN as definitely being the individual who was doing voluntary work at the KENNEDY headquarters in Los Angeles. He stated that the only other photograph he recognized is that of ROUHANGIZ ROUHI GOODARZIAN, also known as Rose Khan. He stated that the photographs of the sons of KHAIBAR KHAN are definitely not the individuals whom he believes to be SIRHAN. He said their features are somewhat similar, but in his own mind he still believes that it was SIRHAN who was with KHAIBAR KHAN on June 2, 1968.

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by H. ERNEST WOODY / ER Date dictated 2/17/69

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)

KENSALT
(OO: LA)

RE: KHAIBAR KHAN, aka
Khaibar Goodarzian
and family

Re LA airtel to SF, 2/4/69.

Enclosed are 19 copies of FD-302 representing re-interview
of LAURENCE DAVID STRICK.

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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Richard G. Kleindienst
Deputy Attorney General

Assassination of
Senator Robert F. Kennedy
on June 5, 1968

In connection with your investigation into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, it has been brought to my attention that one Walter S. Crowe, Jr., and one Thomas D. Good, both of whom were high school and Pasadena City College acquaintances of Sirhan B. Sirhan, and who have been identified as close friends of Sirhan, have been members of youth sections of the Southern California District Communist Party.

Crowe has admitted to the Bureau that on May 2, 1968, approximately four weeks before the assassination, he spent an evening with Sirhan and that their conversation on that occasion included a discussion about the Communist Party. According to information furnished on June 5, 1968, to your Bureau by a reliable confidential source, the conversation also included an attempt by Crowe to recruit Sirhan into the Communist Party. On July 18, 1968, Crowe admitted to a Los Angeles Police Department polygraph examiner that he and Sirhan had also discussed politics, Senator Kennedy, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and revolutionary tactics. According to the transcript of the polygraph examiner's interview, Crowe stated that he "may have tried to interest" Sirhan in joining the Communist Party, and that Sirhan "could have" spoken of the possibility of shooting Senator Kennedy. Finally, Crowe has told your Bureau that he has a "dreadful" fear that he might have

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been responsible for the assassination, and he has told the polygraph examiner, "I would have to say that I have to share the guilt." Unrelated "Security Matter" investigations by your Bureau have confirmed the Communist Party memberships of Crowe and Good.

In view of the foregoing, I want to make sure that your investigation into this matter includes a full inquiry into the possibility that the killing of Senator Kennedy might have had its genesis in a conspiracy involving Communist Party members and that Sirhan might have been a knowing or unknowing instrument thereof. Your inquiry in that regard should include efforts to:

1. Identify and interview the other two individuals who, according to Crowe, were with him and Sirhan on the evening of May 2, 1968. (Crowe said that the other two persons were former students whom he recognized and who were friends of Sirhan.) Notwithstanding Crowe's and Good's statements to the contrary, your inquiry should include the possibility that Thomas Good was with Crowe and Sirhan on May 2, in view of Crowe's statement to the Los Angeles Police Department that:

I -- suppose he had never met, you know, Tom [subsequently identified by Crowe as Tom Good] and I, suppose we hadn't been there, what -- would he have -- would his frustrations have come out on a -- to -- on a political level.

In this regard, we have noted that numerous revolutionary-type writings, as well as notations under date of May 18, 1968, about killing Senator Kennedy, appear in Sirhan's notebook just a few pages after the notations "Tom" and "Walter." In attempting to identify the other two persons, please also identify and interview the "other seven members" of the

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"Student Club of the Communist Party" which Crowe admitted forming at UCLA in April 1967, as well as the persons mentioned by Crowe to the Los Angeles Police Department as being mutual friends of Crowe and Sirhan (Charles Krill, Lou Bennett, Walter Hahn, and Gordon Wear). Finally, please identify and interview Crowe's "friend Bill the guy that lives at the co-op" (see polygraph examination), whom Crowe apparently spoke to about his May 2 meeting with Sirhan.

2. Ascertain, if possible, the activities of Crowe and Good on June 4-5, 1968.

3. Corroborate and/or refute the inconsistent stories of Crowe and Crowe's mother concerning the circumstances leading up to the May 2 meeting between Crowe and Sirhan (apparently their first contact since 1965).

We would appreciate your obtaining for us any Los Angeles Police Department reports relating to their investigation into this aspect of the case (other than the interview of Crowe's mother and the polygraph examination of Crowe).

Finally, I have noted the information set forth in September 1968 memoranda of your Bureau concerning Students for a Democratic Society that on August 24, 1968, Thomas Good traveled from Dallas, Texas, to Havana, Cuba, by way of Mexico City. Please advise whether any other information is available concerning this trip, and whether there is any indication that Crowe traveled outside the United States at any time.

In view of the fact that the Sirhan trial is now in progress, please contact District Attorney Evelle J. Younger and Deputy Chief Robert A. Houghton of the Los Angeles Police Department before conducting the investigation requested above. If District Attorney Younger or Deputy Chief Houghton have any objection to this aspect of the case being explored at this time, the inquiry should await the conclusion of the Sirhan trial.

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February 27, 1969

Airtel

To: SACs, Los Angeles (Enclosure)
Miami (Enclosure)
New York (Enclosure)
San Francisco (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI

KENSALT

Enclosed for the assistance of each recipient office is one copy of Department letter to the Bureau dated 2/25/69 captioned, "Assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy on 6/5/68."

Pursuant to instructions contained in the enclosure on page three, last paragraph, Los Angeles should immediately contact District Attorney Evelle J. Younger, and Deputy Chief Robert A. Houghton of the Los Angeles Police Department to determine if these individuals have any objection to the Bureau conducting at this time investigation requested by the Department as set forth in the enclosure. Advise the Bureau and the San Francisco Office of the results of this contact.

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If no objections are interposed, both Los Angeles and San Francisco should promptly proceed with the requested Department investigation as outlined in the enclosure. Interview of other Club members of the Student Club, Los Angeles Communist Party (CP), should be conducted unless some reason prevails dictating against same. In each instance of this type submit pertinent details concerning the proposed interview to the Bureau along with your recommendations.

Every effort should be made to comply with the Department's requests in this matter and your investigation must be penetrative and thorough. It is desired that the

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results of your inquiry leave no doubt as to the exact relationship that existed between Walter Crowe, Thomas Good and Sirhan B. Sirhan prior to 6/5/68, and the extent of influence of Crowe and/or Good over Sirhan, if any.

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Additionally, recipient offices should contact respective top-level sources to determine if these sources are in possession of any information indicating a possible conspiracy involving the CP and/or its members in the assassination of the late Senator Kennedy. These sources should be specifically queried as to whether Crowe, Good or Sirhan were or are known to them personally and, if so, the extent of such knowledge should be fully explored. For the information of the New York and Miami Offices, Crowe is described as a 23-year-old white male, 5'7", 135 pounds, medium build, brown hair and brown eyes. He is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles and is currently employed as a social worker by Los Angeles County. He was a member of the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs and a member of the Student Club, Los Angeles CP from 1966 through 1968. Thomas Good is described as a white male, aged 23, 5'2", 135 pounds, brown hair and brown eyes. He is a graduate of San Jose State College, California, is currently unemployed and resides at 245 Page Street, San Francisco, California. He became affiliated with the Students for a Democratic Society in 1965 and became a member of the San Jose CP Youth Club in either late 1967 or early 1968.

Los Angeles and San Francisco should insure that photographs of Crowe and Good are promptly furnished recipient offices where needed.

Results of the above-requested investigation should be submitted in memorandum form suitable for dissemination bearing the above caption. This matter must be handled maturely and exhaustively and no undue delay will be tolerated.

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Date: 3/4/69

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)(P)
 SUBJECT: KENSALT

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On 3/3/69 LYNN COMPTON, who is head of the District Attorney's staff handling the case involving SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, was contacted regarding the inquiries made by the Department of Justice. These inquiries were reviewed with Mr. COMPTON, and he advised that he had no objection to the FBI conducting discreet inquiry in this matter at this time. He further added that the questions posed by the Department as concerns WALTER CROWE had been resolved to a great degree by the investigation conducted to date, and that he considered the CROWE matter completed.

On 3/3/69 Deputy Chief ROBERT A. HOUGHTON, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), was contacted, and Deputy Chief HOUGHTON advised that he felt inquiries along this line might be better instituted following the conclusion of the current trial. He advised that the LAPD, on the basis of the polygraph examination and FBI reports, has concluded that THOMAS GOOD has no connection with the current matter, and that WALTER CROWE has fully cooperated in his interviews that were conducted by the LAPD.

In connection with Item 1 of the Department's request,

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the Departmental memorandum notes parenthetically that CROWE identified two other persons who were former students whom he recognized and who were friends of SIRHAN. The polygraph examination, on page 14, indicates that two friends of SIRHAN came into the restaurant where CROWE and SIRHAN were speaking, and that CROWE did not know these individuals, though he did indicate that they all went out and had some beer. CROWE was also asked during the polygraph examination whether or not GOOD was present on ~~March 4~~ 2, to which he answered "No", which was not indicated as an untruthful response.

With regard to Item 2, the activities of CROWE were set forth for June 4 in Los Angeles letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated 1/27/69.

In connection with the Department's request for additional police reports, they are now in possession of all data with regard to the WALTER CROWE aspect of this matter.

The Department also asked, in addition to interviewing members of the Students Club, that the FBI identify and interview CROWE's "friend BILL." This is LA 4688-S, who was interviewed at length by Departmental Attorney ROBERT CRANDALL while he was in Los Angeles at the specific request of the Department concerning CROWE.

It is anticipated that WALTER CROWE will possibly be utilized by the defense on 3/5/69 as a witness.

At the present time Los Angeles has developed a source who is closely acquainted with CROWE at his place of employment, and as of 3/4/69 CROWE advised that he had been in contact with the defense attorney, GRANT COOPER, on the morning of 3/4/69, and that COOPER plans to ask him only one or two questions on the stand, which would concern themselves with the change in SIRHAN's personality from the time CROWE last saw him in 1965 until he saw him in early May of 1968.

For the information of other offices, Los Angeles LHM of 1/27/69 reported on CROWE's joining the Communist Party and his subsequent dropping the Communist Party in approximately October 1968.

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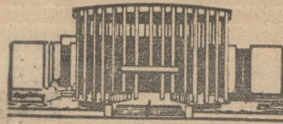
The request of the Department concerning other members of the Student Club of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP) is being reviewed. Their individual files are being analyzed, and it is anticipated that following CROWE's appearance on the witness stand, which will receive due publicity, these members will be contacted for any information they may possess regarding statements by CROWE as concerns SIRHAN and any information they themselves may possess concerning SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. At the same time, it should be noted that there is absolutely no indication that any members of this Club have ever been associated in any way with SIRHAN, the SIRHAN family or the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

The San Francisco Division is origin in the case involving THOMAS GOOD, and, accordingly, for the benefit of San Francisco there is enclosed herewith a photograph of WALTER CROWE to be utilized in connection with their interview of GOOD. (San Francisco File 100-56267). It is noted that the Department in the opening paragraph of its memorandum indicates that GOOD, as well as CROWE, was a member of the SCDCP. There is no information available at Los Angeles to indicate that GOOD was ever a member of the Communist Party in the Southern California District. His membership apparently is at San Jose, California, in the Communist Party Youth Club in the Northern District.

For the benefit of the Miami and New York Divisions for display to high level informants, there are enclosed photographs of THOMAS GOOD, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and WALTER SHERRILL CROWE. Each office is requested to prepare the results of their efforts in an insert form suitable for inclusion in a LHM that will be prepared by Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles Division will interview all persons named by the Department and attempt to identify the two individuals whom CROWE and SIRHAN met on 5/2/68.

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Max Lerner

Sirhan Pictures Self Martyr In Arab Cause

At first thought, one's reaction to Sirhan B. Sirhan's blurted demand to be sent to death is: Why not? Why not admit his courtroom confession and let him take the penalty for having (as he puts it) "willfully, premeditatedly and with 20 years of malice aforethought" killed Robert Kennedy?

On second thought, one remembers that the rights of an accused man in an American court include the right to be protected against himself as well as against the state. Then one remembers that Sirhan, however sick or healthy his mind, has thought much about propaganda, obviously sees himself as an Arab commando hero and might well dare the state to send him to the gas chamber and thus make of him the historic martyr he wants to be.

Judge Herbert Walker has sensibly allowed the three Sirhan notebooks to be released to the press, on the view that press disclosures and comments cannot reach a tightly sequestered jury. Actually the admission of the notebooks into evidence gives the defense a chance to underscore its basic court tactic. It can use the tortured, scribbled pages in a further try at

ignorant pseudothinker that Sirhan must be classed.

Such men are likely to use words they don't quite understand, or grammatical syntax they have not mastered. Here is a rather pathetic example: "For a person to put his thoughts into words is a difficult task if you are to remember that that person is a troglodyte who is therefore more physically inclined than his urban contemporary."

It is not surprising that such a man, with little or no knowledge of Marxism, should write "I firmly support the Communist cause and its people" or should assert "I believe that the U.S. is ready to start declining." Nor is it surprising that he should have reached out to the mysticism of the Rosicrucian Society, writing on an application, "By reading your book, Mastery of Life, I have discovered how much I do not know about myself despite all the philosophical works I have been reading."

It is exactly out of such hotchpotch of contradictory strands that the master strand may emerge: to wreak oneself on circumstance by seeking out the enemy and killing him, to impress oneself thus on life and history.



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Can Action Line help me get the proper forms for the \$70 property tax refund? In March of 1968 we owned and lived in a home in Woodland Hills, Los Angeles County. We moved back to San Jose in October. I have called the tax assessor's office here in San Jose and I have been told that they do not have forms here in Santa Clara County that would apply to Los Angeles County and that I must get the forms from Los Angeles County. I have written to Los Angeles with a legal description of our property in Woodland Hills, but they haven't even bothered to reply, much less send me the form to fill out. Could you help us?

—Mrs. H. C. K., San Jose

Not only does every county have to process its own forms, but each county even has independent time schedules. Santa Clara County mailed out 186,000 applications last month, two weeks behind a self-imposed deadline, but in Los Angeles County, where they have a potential 1.6 million applicants, they have just started mailing forms. They elected to save postage and mail the applications with assessment notices, which cannot be issued prior to March 1. You aren't on that mailing list, but, for mysterious reasons involving their office work, you have to wait, too. The L.A. Assessor's office says that your inquiry automatically puts you on another mailing list and that you should receive an application by March 15. If you don't, they say to write again. However, you only have until April 15 to file your application, so you might also let us know if you don't get a reply. The state is supposed to issue the \$70 refunds around June 15, but we wouldn't count on that date. To verify and process refunds, the counties and state have had to set up a huge government structure in a hurry, and expecting them to meet that June 15 deadline seems overly optimistic.

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On Aug. 28, 1968 I sold a pick-up truck. My wife and I signed and dated the pink slip and delivered possession of the vehicle the same day. Our buyer promised to go to the Department of Motor Vehicles the following day and transfer the truck to his name. Later I tried to transfer my interest in the vehicle at DMV, but I neglected to obtain the buyers address at the time I sold the vehicle and was told I had to obtain it first. Approximately three months after I sold the truck, the individual who purchased it was involved in a serious accident. Since the truck was still registered in my name, I am being sued. Could you please tell me if the buyer or seller is legally responsible for the transferring of the owners interest?

—Ralph Cheda, Fremont

Either the buyer or the seller is legally responsible depending upon the circumstances, which would be up to the court to decide. Section 5602 and 5902 (a) of the vehicle code put the responsibility of transfer on the buyer and Section 5900 puts it on the seller. No matter which party you are, the buyer or the seller, you should have obtained the title of the sale. In this way you are protected no matter what the other

party restraining order in a ruling in which he noted a section of the state elections code allows any registered voter to circulate a nomination paper.

Comparing the code sections cited by Fell and Dep. City Atty. Harry Kevorkian, the judge said:

"There is a different time limit, a different number of names required, the forms are different, and the procedures are different, and inherently an entirely different plan was contemplated by the legislature in each case."

In Rogers' suit, he seeks an injunction to stop Greiner from listing Lisher as an incumbent, since there is a legal question about Lisher's right to hold office. No date has been set to hear this case.

Lisher's candidacy was brought under legal attack last month in a quo warranto action filed by Joe Martinez, 2054 Evelyn Ave., who contends Lisher was not qualified for appointment to the vacancy created last August when Robert I. Welch resigned from the Council.

Martinez charges Lisher was neither a registered voter nor an elector of the city, because he had not resided in San Jose for more than 54 days prior to his appointment.

The court has scheduled a March 18 hearing on this suit, which does not block Greiner from acting in the election process.

AND ANOTHER

Another suit, filed by C. N. Hill, 240 E. Mission St., will be the subject of a 9:15 a.m. hearing Friday.

Hill contends all 30 candidates' nominations are void, because Greiner failed to follow state election code provisions requiring him to type in the name of the candidate and the office on nomination papers, failed to imprint the words, "official filing form" on the



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Rosicrucian Park » San Jose, California 95114, U. S. A.

March 7, 1969

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
1777 Hamilton Avenue
San Jose, California

Dear Sir:

Last summer we were approached by your agent regarding any information we had on Sirhan Sirhan. At that time, the agent was given Sirhan's original application for membership in the Rosicrucian Order. He assured us that this application would be kept confidential and absolutely restricted to Federal Bureau of Investigation files.

In last night's paper, Thursday, March 6, San Jose News, we find in Max Lerner's column a direct quotation from the application. Since no one but your office and our executive here at Rosicrucian Park have had access to the application, we are wondering what the policy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is in this regard. We are now concerned as to what extent information given to the Federal Bureau of Investigation is held in confidence. Is it your policy to give confidential information to news media? They could use this to their advantage.

We can certainly understand such information being released for the purpose of the trial itself, and perhaps unknown to us the application has been admitted as evidence and is therefore available to news media.

This is just a point of inquiry in which we feel both your office and ours are concerned in the event that there is a leak somewhere.

We appreciate the good relations held between your office and ours over the past years, and we would be interested in having your comments on this particular question.

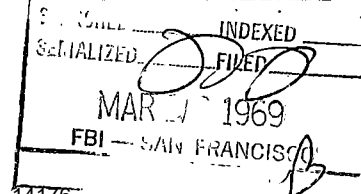
Sincerely yours,

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Arthur C. Piepenbrink

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SUPREME SECRETARY

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450 Golden Gate Avenue, Box 36015
San Francisco, California 94102

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March 12, 1969

Mr. Arthur C. Piepenbrink
Supreme Secretary
The Rosicrucian Order
Rosicrucian Park
San Jose, California 95114

Dear Mr. Piepenbrink:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 7, 1969, concerning the original application of Sirhan Sirhan for membership in The Rosicrucian Order, which your organization so kindly made available to an agent of this office.

Immediately upon receipt of your letter, a review was made of the files of this office concerning the handling of this application. It was ascertained that Sirhan's application for membership was among the evidence presented for consideration of the Grand Jury at Los Angeles, California, which returned an indictment charging Sirhan with the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. With such presentation, the application became a part of the case of the State of California against Sirhan in this matter.

You may rest assured that the policy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is most strict concerning the extent to which information obtained in its investigations is held in confidence. However, I am sure that you will understand that when it becomes necessary for such information to be used in connection with the case as evidence under the jurisdiction of the courts, such information necessarily becomes known to individuals outside our organization. It is not the policy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to release such information for publication, and you may rest assured that information concerning Sirhan's application was not released to the news media by this Bureau.

1 Addressee

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I spoke to Mr. Piepenbrink 3/14/69. He understands the situation. He is assured of cooperation to us. (Kidwell)

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We too are most appreciative of the good relations existing between your office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation over the years and look forward to continuing this spirit of cooperation in the future.

If you have any further questions concerning this matter, or others pertaining to policy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES W. BATES
Special Agent in Charge

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app. sent to you
C. W. Bates
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On March 4, 1969, a source, who is knowledgeable of high-level Communist Party, U. S. A. (CP-USA) activity in New York City and also phases of leadership activity in the Southern and Northern California Districts, advised that no information was ever received indicating a possible conspiracy involving the CP-USA and/or its members in the assassination of the late Senator KENNEDY. Source does not know SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, WALTER CROWE or THOMAS GOOD.

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From: SAC, Miami (44-1880) (RUC)
Subject: KENSALT

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Enclosed for the Bureau and Los Angeles are two copies each and for San Francisco and New York one copy each of an insert in captioned matter.

This insert contains results of interview with MM 1070-S*.

Informant was interviewed prior to receipt of the photographs enclosed with reference Los Angeles airtel. These photographs will be exhibited during the next informant contact and any positive information received will be promptly furnished.

Informant furnished the following which was not included in the insert due to its compromising nature:

During the 1/4-6/69 and 2/22-23/69 National Committee meetings in New York City, informant had several conversations with BEN DOBBS of the Southern California District and AL RICHMOND and ARCHIE BROWN of the Northern California District. These conversations were conducted in an atmosphere where all phases of Party activity were discussed and no statements were made by any participants about SIRHAN B. SIRHAN.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)

DATE: 3/18/69

FROM : SA CHESTER L. JACOBY

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On 3/17/69, SF 2579-S, who has knowledge of Communist Party activities in Northern California on a District, County and club level, advised that he has heard no discussion of the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY which would give any indication whatsoever that the Communist Party was in any way involved or had any knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN or any contact with SIRHAN. Any comment heard by this source from individual members of the CP involved only ~~shock~~ expressions of shock.

SF 2579-S believed he may have heard the name of TOM GOOD but he could not connect it with any CP activity and said GOOD is unknown to him. He had never heard of WALTER CROWE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC (62- 5481)

DATE: March 17, 1969

FROM : SA C.M. SULLIVAN

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On March 17, 1969, SF 2585- S advised that the names of WALTER S. CROWE, Jr., and Thomas D. Good, are unknown to him. The informant advised that he knows of no CP involvement in this case and only knows Sirhan Sirhan through press reports/

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RE: 62-5481

March 19, 1969

Mr. Charles W. Bates
Federal Bureau of Investigation
450 Golden Gate Avenue, Box 36015
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Mr. Bates:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 12. It
was kind of you to take the time to outline your pro-
cedure on confidential information, and we appreciate
it.

Sincerely,

ROSICRUCIAN ORDER (AMORC)

Arthur C. Piepenbrink

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I personally contacted this person 3/17/69, and stated this information will in no way affect cooperation with this office.

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)

KENSALT

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, dated 2/27/69, Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, dated 3/4/69, and Los Angeles tele call, 4/21/69.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 3/17/69, SF 2579-S, who has knowledge of CP activities in Northern California on a District, County and club level, advised that he has heard no discussion of the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY which would give any indication whatsoever that the CP was in any way involved or had any knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN or any contact with SIRHAN. Any comment heard by this source from individual members of the CP involved only expressions of shock.

SF 2579-S believed he may have heard the name of TOM GOOD, but he could not connect it with any CP activity and said GOOD is unknown to him. He had never heard of WALTER CROWE.

On 3/17/69, SF 2585-S advised that the names of WALTER S. CROWE, JR. and THOMAS D. GOOD are unknown to him. The informant advised that he knows of no CP involvement in this case and only knows SIRHAN SIRHAN through press reports.

On 4/21/69, SF 2580-S advised that he knows THOMAS D. GOOD and knows of no involvement that he has in this case. The name of WALTER S. CROWE, JR. is not familiar to him.

In accordance with information furnished by your office in referenced telephone call and since this matter appears to have been resolved with the interview of WALTER S. CROWE, JR., no further efforts will be made to interview THOMAS D. GOOD.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

May 12, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
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On April 22, 1969, an individual who identified himself as Mr. "Alfie" telephonically contacted a representative of the FBI in Los Angeles. He advised he was a "journalist" and had been recommended by "Bob Kaiser."

"Bob Kaiser" is identical with Robert Blair Kaiser, 2762 Woodshire, Hollywood, California, and a member of the defense team representing Sirhan Bishara Sirhan. In that capacity Kaiser had access to all the defense files as well as having been permitted to interview Sirhan and other members of his family.

When "Alfie" called, he stated he desired to speak with a Special Agent of the FBI since he felt that he had something to offer in connection with the investigation of the assassination of the late Robert F. Kennedy.

Correspondingly on April 28, 1969, an arrangement was made to meet with "Alfie" at which time he first introduced himself to the Special Agent as "Ed Alfie". He explained he had been doing some checking and investigation into the activities of Jerry Owen. He stated that he was referring to Jerry Oliver Owen, a religious personage who has sometimes referred to himself as "Shepherd of the Hills." According to "Alfie", Owen also referred to himself as "The Walking Bible."

Shortly after the discussion began "Alfie" advised that his true name was actually John Christian, and he explained he has been conducting investigation into the assassination, centering around Owen, and has come to the conclusion that Owen's appearance on the scene surrounding the assassination of Robert Kennedy must be

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considered suspect. He further advised that in his opinion the story which Owen furnished to representatives of the Los Angeles Police Department shortly after the assassination could certainly be considered or calculated to convey ulterior ideas. Christian explained he was referring to Owen having advised police authorities about an individual he picked up hitchhiking in his truck on June 3, 1968, who resembled Sirhan. In attempting to pursue his theory of a conspiracy, Christian talked at quite some length concerning that particular aspect of the investigation and explained that he had been in contact with "Charlie" O'Brien, the Deputy California State Attorney General, Los Angeles, California. In addition to Mr. O'Brien, he has been in touch with Jesse Unruh, current Minority Leader of the California Assembly at Sacramento, California. He also mentioned that he has been in touch with one Frank Burns, a Los Angeles attorney, and has attempted to discuss his theory with Captain Hugh Brown of the Los Angeles Police Department, and Deputy Los Angeles County District Attorney David Fitts.

Christian went on to explain that one of the taped interviews in his possession was conducted by former FBI Special Agent William Turner, who conducted the interview with Owen in Northern California.

Christian in his continuing discussion regarding Owen, stated that Owen has used various names and has been affiliated in some type of "religious" pursuits for a long period of time. Owen has, in the past, according to Christian, utilized the legal services of Attorney George Davis, also from the Northern California area. Christian explained he felt Owen was assigned to volunteer the story which he furnished to the Los Angeles Police Department to distract authorities from other more pertinent areas of the investigation. He went on to explain that Owen has connections and other involvements with elements in the United States which he characterized as "paramilitary" in nature; "right wing" and the "underworld." He went on further to state that a man with Owen's criminal record would not involve himself in the assassination of a presidential candidate unless the stakes were high enough.

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Christian stated that Owen has had affiliations with the Minute Men Organization in the Northern California area. He also stated that Owen, in the past, has been affiliated to some degree with Carl Mc Intire, a well-known religious figure.

Dr. Carl Mc Intire, is President of the International Council of Churches, who is originally from Collingswood, New Jersey. Dr. Mc Intire has been active over numerous radio stations throughout the United States engaging in religious broadcasts.

During his discussion Christian also mentioned one Eugene Bradley as also being affiliated with Dr. Mc Intire. The Eugene Bradley to whom Christian was referring is E. Eugene Bradley who recently figured prominently in newspapers articles in the Los Angeles area as being an individual sought by New Orleans, Louisiana, District Attorney James Garrison, according to Christian.

Christian explained he has attempted to discuss the Owen aspect of this investigation with responsible members of the Los Angeles Police Department, none of whom will speak with him concerning it. Likewise members of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, have refused to comment to him regarding his theory.

With respect to William Turner, mentioned above, Christian explained he introduced Turner to Attorney George Davis and it was by that means that Turner was able to interview Owen following the assassination of Mr. Kennedy. He explained Turner had written a book concerning the assassination, which had been submitted to a publisher in New York, and which publisher had returned to Turner unpublished, in about December 1968. According to Christian, Turner had been paid in advance \$5,000 in connection with the writing of the book, which money he could not see fit to return to the publisher.

Christian stated that in his inquiry into this particular phase of the investigation, he determined that Sirhan had been to the race track at Caliente, Mexico,

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shortly prior to the assassination of Robert Kennedy, where he allegedly gambled heavily on the horses at that time.

Christian explained further that none of the authorities with whom he has spoken concerning the foregoing, are in sympathy or agreement with his belief that a conspiracy exists, or that a conspiracy exists involving Owen.

During the interview, Christian continually mentioned "Charlie O'Brien", stating that he had access to files and investigation conducted by law enforcement authorities, through O'Brien. He stated that on one occasion, he met with O'Brien in the latter's Los Angeles office. Present at that time, were representatives of CBS TV. On that occasion, O'Brien had just learned that Christian had come from the Los Angeles Police Department where he had talked with Captain Brown and Lieutenant Roy Keene, of the Special Unit investigating the assassination of Robert Kennedy. Upon so learning, O'Brien became quite upset with Christian for having gone to the Los Angeles Police Department and berated him for having done so.

Christian has advised that he resides at 840 North Larrabee, Building Number 2, Apartment 318, Los Angeles, California. He has telephone numbers 659-1439, and 279-1853.

With respect to the investigation of Oliver Jerry Owen, the following is being set forth:

Owen voluntarily appeared at the University Division of the Los Angeles Police Department on June 5, 1968, at which time he advised police officers that on June 3, 1968, he had picked up hitchhikers with his truck in Los Angeles, California, and had driven with them to the vicinity of the Ambassador Hotel on the afternoon of June 3, 1968. One of those persons, according to Owen at that time, strongly resembled Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

Los Angeles Police Department has thoroughly investigated that aspect of this investigation and has concluded that Owen was not actually in contact with Sirhan as suggested by him.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
 SUBJECT: KENSALT

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) regarding information received from JOHN CHRISTIAN concerning phase of investigation conducted by him in connection with the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Also enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of an 11 page "confidential" report made available by CHRISTIAN to the Los Angeles Division.

CHRISTIAN's "report" has been marked confidential by him with the express request by him that the contents not be disseminated outside of the Bureau or the U. S. Department of Justice.

JOHN CHRISTIAN advised that he is a writer, journalist, and former news representative who is currently writing a book on what he considers to be a conspiratorial plot in the assassination of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

CHRISTIAN has specifically requested that the information contained in the 11 page enclosure prepared by him not be made available to Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, or any other agency other than the FBI and or the U. S. Department of Justice.

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CHRISTIAN has been advised that the Los Angeles Division will accept any information he sees fit to volunteer, and it is pointed out that the 11-page enclosed document was volunteered by CHRISTIAN. No information will be given out to CHRISTIAN, and it is not anticipated that any further meetings with CHRISTIAN will be had.

With respect to CHRISTIAN's assertion that SIRHAN had been to Caliente, Mexico, at the race track just prior to the assassination, investigation to date has not placed him in that area or established any loss of funds.

Two copies are being furnished to San Francisco in view of information concerning JERRY OWEN and WILLIAM TURNER and GEORGE DAVIS, all of whom are familiar to that office.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished to the U. S. Attorney at Los Angeles in view of his continuing interest in this matter.

It should be noted that CHRISTIAN has given his views at length to the Los Angeles Police Department, who have expended considerable time in attempting to corroborate or refute, and they have concluded they are without value and are currently preparing a summary of this area, which will be made available when completed.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re: THOMAS DANIEL GOOD

Re Los Angeles telephone call to San Francisco, dated 5/20/69.

A review of San Francisco files revealed the following concerning THOMAS DANIEL GOOD:

It was determined on the afternoon of 6/5/68 that TOM GOOD resided at 22 South 11th Street, San Jose, which is a rooming house for students at San Jose State College. Efforts were made to contact him later in the day of 6/5/68. Fellow students advised that his present whereabouts were unknown, but that this was not unusual. He was frequently away from his room without explanation.

In the early morning of 6/6/68, it was determined that GOOD had returned to his room sometime during the night, but was not presently there. A note was left on his door stating that he could be reached thru A. GROSSMAN, telephone numbers 647-0428 or 661-2630.

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It was noted at this time that students were taking exams at San Jose State College.

Mrs. GRACE MAC MILLAN, Registrar's Office, San Jose State College advised on 6/6/68 that GOOD is enrolled in a Special Program Project. This course does not meet at regular times and does not require the student to be on campus at any particular time.

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Sirhan Has Breakfast In Death Row

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan was secretly spirited to San Quentin Prison today from Los Angeles, where he was sentenced Wednesday to die in the gas chamber for the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Sirhan was taken from the Los Angeles Hall of Justice at 3 a.m. and flown by sheriff's helicopter to Van Nuys Airport in the San Fernando Valley, placed on a seven-passenger, twin-engine state airplane, and

flown to Hamilton Air Force Base.

From the base, two carloads of special agents from the state Department of Corrections and four California Highway Patrol cars convoyed Sirhan to the huge prison on San Francisco Bay, arriving there at 5:31 a.m.

Whisked through fingerprinting and processing, he was issued a standard set of prison denims and put in his tiny cell on Death Row by 5:50 a.m. And

he got a number: B21014.

About two hours later, Sirhan and the 77 other condemned men had breakfast in their cells, including mixed fruit, rolled oats, cheese omelet, bacon, toast, jam, coffee and milk. Death row inmates eat only twice a day.

Associate Warden James W. L. Park, asked how the other condemned men reacted to Sirhan's arrival, said they regard Sirhan "as one of us — with the

same fight for his life."

"Nevertheless, we will guard against any stray impulse," Park said. "We don't anticipate any great interest in harming him, but we have to protect him against the stray nut that comes along that may want to 'dust him,' as the boys say."

Park declined to detail Sirhan's reaction to his arrival at what could be his home for the rest of his life. The prison's

policy is not to discuss individual condemned men, said Park, adding "our job is to be neutral."

But Park noted that Capt. Donald Weber of the prison guards reported Sirhan was "quite alert, interested in his surroundings, and asked a great number of questions."

The 25-year-old assassin was locked into Cell 33 on Death Row. As a special security measure, on each side of his cell there are locked, empty cells. An exercise area directly outside measures 10 by 15 feet.

Thus, no other prisoner can get closer than to Sirhan than 15 feet.

His cell is two floors above the green gas chamber where 194 persons have been executed since 1938, when hanging was halted.

But in the past six years, 93 death sentences have come up for review in California courts, and only two have been carried out. The last was in April 1967.

Since Sirhan gunned down Senator Kennedy in the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles last June 5, he has been one of the most heavily guarded prisoners in California history. The cost of his trial and confinement so far has been estimated at up to \$1 million.

Sirhan's execution, if ever carried out, is at least 14 to 15 months away because of the automatic appeal process that will carry his case to the California Supreme Court. From there, of course, Sirhan's attorneys could appeal up to the U.S. Supreme Court.

More than half of the men on Death Row have been there for more than two years, Park noted.

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