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DATE: 7/30/68

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FROM : Director, FBI

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Albuquerque (62-1295)**

Date: **August 1, 1968**

Re: **KENSALT**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **62-387**
Lab. No. **D-680720048 AT**

Examination requested by: **Albuquerque**

Reference: **Letter 7/9/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

Specimen Q29 and Q28 (submitted previously) are similar post cards. Each contains names of prominent persons including many movie stars. The writings on Q28 and Q29 do not appear to be intelligible.

The contents of the post card do not appear to be related to the investigation being conducted by the District Attorney at Los Angeles. Therefore a copy of this report is not being sent to the District Attorney.

Enclosures (3) (Q29, 2 Lab report)

1 - Chicago (Enclosure (Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (56-156) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Albuquerque (87-1988)**

Date:

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August 1, 1968**82-587****D-680729000 AT**Re: **KENSALT**

Specimens received

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Q19 Post card of the Harrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, postmarked "CHICAGO ILL. 3A AM 6 JUL 1968," bearing handwritten address "To F.B.I 4308 Federal Office Bldg Albuquerque, New Mexico," bearing handwritten and hand printed notations on same side

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the handwriting and hand printing on Q29 and the handwriting and hand printing on Q18 (submitted previously in this case) were written by the same person.

Q19 is returned herewith. Photographs were made.

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Enclosed for Los Angeles are the following:

- 30 copies investigative insert of SA GEORGE H. BENIGNI;
- 30 copies of investigative insert of SA GIRARD M. ANNINO;
- 30 copies of investigative insert of SAs JOSEPH B. GRAFF, JEROME F. NOLAN and ROBERT C. ROBINSON;
- 30 copies of investigative insert of SAs DAVID R. STRUCK, JAMES W. GERBLICK and HARRY A. WALKER;
- 30 copies of investigative insert of IC JACK RAY RIDENHOUR;
- 30 copies of investigative insert of SA KENNETH L. GROEPER;
- 30 copies of two-page investigative insert of SA DAVID R. STRUCK;
- 1 copy of memorandum to SAC, Chicago, from SA EARNIE L. WALDRUP, dated June 5, 1968;
- 30 copies of two-page FD-302 of SA DAVID R. STRUCK, interview of ARTHUR LINDENBAUM;
- 30 copies of three-page FD-302 of SAs EDWARD KINZER, Jr. and JOHN M. MC DONOUGH re interview of ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL;
- 1 copy of memorandum of SA GERALD B. BROWN dated June 5, 1968;
- 30 copies of FD-302 by SAs ROBERT A. GACCIONE and PETER J. WACKS, Jr. re interview of GLORIA ABDO;
- 30 copies of FD-302 by SAs ROBERT A. GACCIONE and PETER J. WACKS, Jr. re interview of CHARLES B. MILLER;

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1 copy of memorandum to SAC, Chicago, dated June 6, 1968,
by Supervisor VERNON E. DANIELS;

30 copies of FD-302 by SAs CHARLES E. BRUNNER and RAY I.
SHRYOCK re interview of BEATRICE PIEPKORN;

30 copies of FD-302 by SAs BRUNNER and SHRYOCK re interview
of Mr. LARRY SHERMAN;

30 copies of FD-302 by SAs BRUNNER and SHRYOCK re interview
of EVA JASPERSON;

30 copies of FD-302 by SAs BRUNNER and SHRYOCK re
interview of LEE DENNIS;

30 copies of FD-302 by SA EDWARD KINZER, Jr. re interview
of FRANK CROSBY.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (134-2846)

DATE: 8/6/68

FROM : SA JOHN F. MILLER

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

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SUBJECT: SALEEN ABASSY

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Dates of Contact 7/19/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted / KENSALT	
POSSIBLE BOMBING OF ISRAELI CONSULATE . . .	89-61
AND JEWISH FEDERATION OF METROPOLITAN	105-26862
CHICAGO . . . IS - JORDAN	
BOMBING MATTERS	174-257
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC See attached.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating
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When subject was contacted on June 18, 1968, regarding conditions in the Arab-Jordanian community in Chicago after the assassination of Senator KENNEDY, after he had called and made a telephonic complaint that he had received threatening messages because he was an Arab, subject agreed to attempt to obtain information regarding the Arab community conditions insofar as planned violence against the Chicago Jewish-Israeli community might be concerned. Specifically, he stated he would contact one NICK (LNU).

When subject was contacted on July 19, 1968, he stated that his efforts to contact NICK were unsuccessful but that as far as he could determine he could find no evidence of trouble brewing or violence planned between the Arab and Jewish communities in Chicago.

Because the subject has no contact with the Arab or Jordanian communities in Chicago on a continuing basis and because he has volunteered to contact this office should information regarding friction between the above peoples come to his attention, and because subject is generally not in a position to obtain information of this nature, this matter is being closed.

Dear Mrs. Kennedy,

The fellow who robbed the
University National Bank
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recently Mr. Kennedy the brother
of Mr. John F. Kennedy ~~lives~~
lives at the following address:

Mr. William Ertl
1402 Greenwood Ave.
Chicago, Illinois

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20226

CO-2-51,327

Date: August 13, 1968

BY LIAISON G. M. McLeod

TO : Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attn: Special Agent Ragner 8/14
FROM : JAMES J. ROWLEY, DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: Sirhan Sirhan
(Unknown Letter Writer to Ethel Kennedy)
Suspect: William Ertl

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Unknown letter writer states that a Mr. William Ertl, 1402 Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois was responsible for the assassination of the late Senator Kennedy.

William Ertl is not of record with this Service. The attached letter was received this date in the office of Senator Kennedy. Washington, D.C.

Please furnish any reports you may have as a result of investigating this matter.

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Original letter addressed to Ethel Kennedy

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FROM : Director, FBI

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No record could be located in Bureau files identifiable with William Ertl.

Chicago should immediately conduct necessary investigation to identify and locate Ertl with respect to these allegations. Submit results of your investigation in appropriate insert form.

Expedite.

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Director, FBI

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Re Los Angeles airtel to Chicago, 7/25/68, regarding information from Chicago State Hospital requested by the Los Angeles Police Department.

On August 6, 1968, Mrs. SONIA HOWARD, Medical Records Library, Chicago State Hospital, 6500 Irving Park, Chicago, advised NORMAN SYDNEY WEXLER was committed to their institution on March 28, 1950, as being mentally ill. Her records indicated WEXLER was discharged April 30, 1950, marked as recovered, in remission, which indicates his symptoms had disappeared. WEXLER was discharged into the custody of his mother living in Chicago at that time.

WEXLER was brought to Chicago State Hospital as a result of his arrest by Chicago Police Department at Midway Airport, where he was attempting to board an airliner. WEXLER indicated to the airline people he had connection with the gansters, and was carrying a toy gun at the time. His explanation was that he was working on an undercover story for the newspaper.

WEXLER was diagnosed as a manic-depressive. WEXLER's history indicates he has had previously marked breakdowns, one while attending high school, and one serious breakdown when he was a senior at Harvard. His records indicate he did not graduate, and was placed in a private hospital at that time. During his interviews at Chicago State Hospital, WEXLER made various anti-Semitic statements indicating that as a group these people were taking advantage of the world. WEXLER indicated that he had a newspaper job in Chicago which could not be verified. Her records indicate he was seeing a psychiatrist in Detroit.

No contact is registered with the Chicago State Hospital since WEXLER was discharged. Mrs. HOWARD advised had WEXLER been committed to any mental hospital in the state of Illinois, their records would indicate that fact.

No further investigation being conducted at Chicago.

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3 ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL, a resident of 87th and Orchard Streets, Lemont, Illinois, was interviewed at West Suburban Hospital, 530 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois, where he is currently employed in the Department of Pathology, on leave from the Northwestern University Medical School, 303 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

JIBRIL is now age 38, and he stated that he was born in Palestine on September 5, 1929. He came to the United States in 1952, and attended Loyola University in Chicago. In 1956, he went to Canada so that he could return to the United States with a visa in order to enable himself to become an American citizen. He related that he returned to the United States with the visa in 1956, and ultimately obtained a PHD from Oklahoma University in 1964. He obtained his American citizenship in 1964 at Oklahoma City. He related that he is currently a consultant in pathology at West Suburban Hospital. He related that he was married in Chicago in 1961 to the former CAROLINE B. HOFFMAN, who was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin, and they have four children as follows: [REDACTED], age 6, [REDACTED], age 4, [REDACTED], age 2, and [REDACTED], age 1. He stated he has one brother in the United States, ABDEL KARIM JIBRIL, age 28, who was also born in Palestine, and who is also employed at West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois.

He stated that his father, OTHMAN KIBRIL, age 67, is residing in Israel-occupied Palestine and he has another brother, OMAR KIBRIL, who is employed by the Ministry of Finance, Amman, Jordan. In addition, he has two brothers in Israel-occupied Palestine and also a sister in that location. He also has a sister living in Kuwait and another sister residing in Amman, Jordan.

He stated that approximately one year ago he was employed at the Argonne Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois,

On 6/6/68 at Oak Park, Illinois File # CG 89-61 - 88
by SA EDWARD KINZER, JR. and
SA JOHN M. MC DONOUGH/mah Date dictated 6/10/68

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and one of his superiors there at the time was ARTHUR LINDENBAUM. He said that LINDENBAUM was of Jewish extraction and was aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, was of Arab extraction. He said that LINDENBAUM was further aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, had been born and lived at least part of his life in Israel-occupied Palestine. He related that LINDENBAUM constantly "needled" him regarding Arab - Israeli relations, particularly in regard to the formation of the State of Israel in 1948 from former Arab territory. JIBRIL noted that he has a "low boiling point" over the Arab - Israeli political situation and LINDENBAUM, in his opinion, was obviously aware of this. He at first denied ever having made the statement to LINDENBAUM or anyone else that he was a member of a secret organization whose purpose was to assassinate political leaders and others in power in this country. Upon reflection, however, he stated that in the heat of argument with LINDENBAUM he may have in fact made such statement, however, if he did, it was merely an emotional outburst on his part, and had no basis in fact. He added that as far as he knows there is absolutely no Arab terrorist group operating in the United States, however, he does know that such groups do operate in Israel and in other areas of Palestine now occupied by the State of Israel.

He further commented that he does not personally know and never heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, the alleged assassinator of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

He stated that he considers himself a loyal American citizen and in this regard commented, "I love this country". He also related that he is Vice President of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine, which has no official address other than a post office box in Chicago, Illinois, the identity of which he does not know. He said the purpose of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine is to aid Arab refugees who have

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been forcibly removed from their homes by the formation of the State of Israel in 1948, as well as the former Arab lands which have been conquered by the State of Israel. According to JIBRIL, this aid consists of food and other necessities of life, such as clothing and medicine, but does not include firearms or other things of this nature.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JOSEPH B. GRAFF at Waukegan and Woodstock, Illinois on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts re subject were negative.

JAMES HARRIS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Waukegan - North Chicago, 405½ Washington Street, Waukegan, covering Lake County, Illinois;

Lieutenant JAMES REPP, Chief Deputy, Lake County Sheriff's Office, Waukegan;

Officer ROBERT SODERQUIST, Identification Officer, Waukegan Police Department;

POLLY HOBGET, Manager, Credit Bureau of McHenry County, Woodstock;

JOHN CARROLL, Sheriff, McHenry County, Woodstock;

Chief of Police HERBERT W. LANGE (NA), Woodstock Police Department.

On June 6, 1968, SA JEROME F. NOLAN contacted the following individuals who advised their records contained no information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN:

KATHY SHARP, Clerk, Rockford Police Department;

BILL BRCHENY, Deputy, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office;

Mrs. VIOLET NORD, Rockford Credit Bureau.

The following individuals were contacted by SA ROBERT C. ROBINSON on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative re subject.

FRANKIE DIXON, Credit Bureau of Aurora, Aurora, Illinois;

RITA ORTA, Bureau of Identification, Aurora Police Department;

Chief Deputy LOU SPUHLER, Kane County Sheriff's Office;

RUTH COLLINS, Record Section, Elgin, Illinois Police Department;

BESS DIETRICH, Elgin Credit Bureau

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The following individuals were contacted by SA GIRARD M. ANNINO on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding the subject.

Chief DONALD DENING, Winnetka, Illinois Police Department;

Chief HAROLD GIDDENS, Evanston, Illinois Police Department;

Chief ARTHUR PANTLE, Glencoe, Illinois Police Department.

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The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK, all with negative results:

ROY OUMSTED, DuPage Sheriff's Office, Wheaton, Illinois

MARY WACKENHUT, Downers Grove, Illinois Police Department;

WALLY BLAIR, Elmhurst, Illinois Police Department;

WYNN ZOLIN, DuPage Credit Bureau - Wheaton, Illinois.

The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA JAMES W. GERBLICK with negative results regarding the subject:

Mrs. MARY THEODORE, Western Cook County Credit Bureau, Oak Park, Illinois;

Chief BERNER KELLOUGH, Maywood, Illinois Police Department.

The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA HARRY A. WALKER. All listed contacts regarding subject were negative.

Chief ARTHUR HINTZ, DesPlaines, Illinois Police Department;

Chief GLENN FORD, Northbrook, Illinois Police Department;

Chief WILLIAM BARTLETT, Glenview, Illinois Police Department;

Chief HARRY EIGER, Park Ridge, Illinois Police Department.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA KENNETH L. GROEPER on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding subject.

Mrs. MILDRED WORTHY, Credit Bureau, Chicago Heights;
STANLEY SLACK, Credit Bureau, Southern Cook County.

These cover all cities in Chicago Heights Resident Agency.

Lt. JOSEPH CORSINO, Chicago Heights Police Department;
LEROY KNAPP, Chief, Harvey Police Department;
RON DORSEY, Calumet City Police Department;

Capt. THOMAS BROWN, Cook County Sheriff's Office,
Bedford Park, Illinois;

Captain CLYDE VASCANELLOS, Illinois State Police,
Blue Island, Illinois

The following individuals were contacted by SA ROBERT F. PEVAHOUSE on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding the subject.

Lt. MAURICE ENGLISH, Arlington Heights, Illinois Police Department;

Detective WALTER SCHOENFELD, Palatine, Illinois Police Department;

Sgt. JOE BOPP, Mt. Prospect, Illinois Police Department;
EDWIN KUNZE, Credit Bureau of Palatine, Incorporated.

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The following investigation was conducted on June 5, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK:

The following individuals advised they were unable to locate any record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN:

Sergeant ROBERT RYAN
Elmhurst, Illinois Police Department

MARY WACKENHUT, Dispatcher
Downers Grove, Illinois Police Department

Captain DAN MITCHELL
DuPage County Sheriff's Office'
Wheaton, Illinois

The following investigation was conducted at Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois, on June 6, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK:

WILLIAM SHAW, Security Department, made available the Argonne Personnel File concerning ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL. A review of this file reflected the following information:

Male
Born September 5, 1932, Yazur-Jafee, Palestine
5'7"
160 pounds
Wife - CAROLINE B.
SSN [REDACTED]
Address: 429 Wellington Avenue
Chicago, Illinois
Naturalized citizen: [REDACTED]
Education: B. S. in Chemistry
Beirut, Lebanon - 1951
Masters in Organic Chemistry
Loyola University, Chicago - 1956
Ph. D in Philosophy (Chemistry)
University of Oklahoma -1964

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Prior employments: University of Illinois, 1954 - 1955;
E. C. De Witt, Chicago, 1956 - 1959;
Mt. Sinai Research, Chicago, 1959 - 1961;
VA Research Hospital and North
Western University, Chicago, 1961 - 1962;
Oklahoma Medical Foundation, 1962 - 1964

Brother: ABDEL KIRIM O. JIBRIL
705 North Austin
Chicago, Illinois

JIBRIL was employed at Argonne from July 21, 1964, until January 31, 1966, in a temporary research assistant's position, following his receipt of a doctoral degree. When he resigned, his exit interview indicated he was a loaner, his research was impeded by personal biases against some of his fellow employees and he is very suspicious about others.

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On June 6, 1968, the following sources of information were contacted in Joliet, Illinois by SA GEORGE H. BENIGNI and no record was located for the subject:

Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification,
FAYE SMITH;

Joliet Police Department, Miss SHARON COX;

Will County Sheriff's Office, Mrs. MILDRED PURDY;

Credit Bureau of Will County, Incorporated, Miss KATHY
TURNER.

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Mrs. DOLORES COFFEY, Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, advised IC JACK RAY RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that a search of her records failed to reflect any record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN, date of birth, March 19, 1944, Jerusalem, Jordan, or the family.

Personnel of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, advised IC RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that their records reflect nothing identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN or the family.

It should be noted that this is based on available police records only.

Mrs. BONNIE DAVIS, Clerk, Cook County Credit Bureau, 218 South Wabash, advised IC RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that a search of their records reflect nothing identifiable with subject, and subject's mother and brothers.

Mrs. BARBARA KENNER, Clerk, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 219 South Dearborn, Chicago, advised IC RIDENHOUR she could locate no record of SIRHAN or his family.

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On June 6, 1968, FRANK CROSBY, Executive Director, Illinois Bureau of Race Track Police, 160 North LaSalle Street, advised that this office maintains records of all current and past employees at the Chicago area race tracks. These records would include all those individuals who have worked for horse owners such as exercise boys. He stated that he could locate no record for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN under his true name or alias.

On 6/6/68 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 89-61 -96
by SA EDWARD KINZER, Jr./mam Date dictated 6/12/68

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Date June 14, 1968

ARTHUR LINDENBAUM, Scientist, Biology - Medical, Building 202, Room 277, provided the following information:


ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL began working in post-doctoral work at Argonne in approximately July of 1964. At this time JIBRIL was assigned to him for supervision purposes. As the time passed, JIBRIL and LINDENBAUM began discussion of various social nature during which discussions JIBRIL made brief statements along the lines of being anti-Jewish. As time passed, these statements grew stronger and were made in front of other employees, many of which had Jewish backgrounds. LINDENBAUM advised these feelings of JIBRIL stemmed from childhood and the teachings in his native country. Several of the other Jewish workers in the laboratory began to complain to LINDENBAUM about JIBRIL's statements.

LINDENBAUM stated one day he was able to get JIBRIL into a lengthy discussion concerning his feelings at which time JIBRIL "broke down" emotionally and began making various statements, including one dealing with "keeping track of the Jews" and mentioning plans to "take care of the Jews." JIBRIL also spoke of an organization which is "taking care" of the above-mentioned items. He did not state the name or location of this organization. At no time did he mention anything about political leaders or attempted assassination of any individuals.

LINDENBAUM advised he then spoke with Dr. ROBERT FEINSTEIN, Argonne Laboratory, concerning these statements at which time FEINSTEIN felt the matter should be discussed with the Argonne Security Department. This was the only contact FEINSTEIN had with this situation as he only knew JIBRIL from having seen him in the building.

LINDENBAUM advised after discussing this matter with the Security Department he learned JIBRIL had approached two other individuals.

One of the individuals approached was a Negro who is employed in the building. According to the unrecalled source of this information, JIBRIL was talking to this Negro

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by SA DAVID R. STRUCK/mam  Date dictated 6/12/68

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about being a member of a minority race and perhaps he, the Negro, should join forces with JIBRIL, a Jordanian, yet no specific objective was stated.

The other individual approached was Dr. KLAUS KUETTNER, currently employed at St. Luke Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. According to information received from KUETTNER, JIBRIL approached him and discussed the fact that the Germans, of which ancestry KUETTNER is a part, had a "hatred" for Jewish people and they, Dr. KUETTNER and JIBRIL, should join forces, again no specific purpose named.

LINDENBAUM pointed out it is his opinion JIBRIL, as a member of the Jordanian people, even though born in Palestine, which is now Israel, has such a deep emotional seating of his hatred of Jewish individuals, he is not able to adjust to life in the United States. LINDENBAUM advised he felt this was in all probability taught to JIBRIL as a youngster and this is the only line of thinking he knows.

LINDENBAUM again advised JIBRIL did not make any statements about political leaders, or figures, nor did he ever make any statements concerning any assassinations. He did note, however, JIBRIL did talk once about being involved in the murder or murders of British soldiers who were in Jordan when he, JIBRIL, was about fifteen or sixteen years of age.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/17/68

CHARLES B. MILLER, Assistant Vice-President, Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, 3430 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is the owner of the building at 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois. MILLER advised that the ABDO family were not model tenants, but neither did he think that RICHARD ABDO would have had anything to do with the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that he had not made a telephone call to the Chicago Police Department suggesting a tie-up between Mr. ABDO and the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that various tenants have lived downstairs from the ABDO family and RICHARD ABDO has had some difficulties with them. He therefore suggested that possibly one of the tenants had made the telephone call. He did not recall the names and addresses of tenants, but said if necessary he could make them available to the FBI Office.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/14/68

GLORIA ABDO, 5313 South 73rd Street, Summit, Illinois, advised that she is the wife of RICHARD ABDO. She stated that she and her husband have been residing at that address for approximately three years. She described her husband as follows: White male, born June 20, 1929, at Chicago, Illinois; height, 6'; weight, 220 pounds; brown eyes; brown hair; Selective Service Number [REDACTED] discharged Corporal, 1954, ER [REDACTED] place of employment, Basic Brothers Construction Company, 61st and Cicero.

She stated that he is of Lebanese extraction, but that he lived his entire life in Chicago.

She stated that she is absolutely positive that her husband had nothing to do with the KENNEDY killing, and that she would be glad to allow agents to search her garage.

She then executed a form setting forth her rights and waiving them to be giving permission to have the garage at the rear of 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois, searched.

The search of said garage by SAs GACCIONE and WACKS revealed nothing of an incriminating nature.

Mrs. ABDO stated possibly her landlord, who she has had difficulties with, had made the telephone call suggesting that something incriminating was in her garage. She had no other idea as to why someone would attempt to involve her husband with the KENNEDY killing.

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

Re Bureau letter to Los Angeles, 8/22/68.

RE GEORGE KATSAFOUROS

Photograph furnished to Los Angeles with referenced communication exhibited to Los Angeles Police Department Detective Personnel familiar with SIRHAN and Agent Personnel, Los Angeles Division, who have observed SIRHAN on many occasions since his arrest. Those individuals all of opinion individual in right foreground of photograph, holding camera, definitely not identical with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 18, 1968

BEATRICE PIEPKORN, waitress, Sherman House Coffee Shop, stated the whole terrible mistake was started in error by one of the waitresses repeating information furnished to her by PIEPKORN when the other waitress misunderstood.

PIEPCORN advised that she was talking to one of her customers who informed her that there was an article in the Saturday Chicago newspaper about KENNEDY being at the beach in California and someone (thought to be one of his children) was caught in an undertow and Senator KENNEDY in an attempt to save this person was hit on the head by a rock or surfboard. She stated she and the customer were discussing the newspaper article and she passed it on to one of the other waitresses claiming she (PIEPCORN) said "Did you hear about Senator KENNEDY being hit in the head?", which, of course, was totally wrong.

She stated she had no intention of starting any such rumor. She was merely repeating information which appeared in the newspaper and through a misinterpretation of her original information it was conveyed to a few customers that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head.

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by SAs RAY I. SHRYOCK and CHARLES E. BRUNNER/mam Date dictated 6/12/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 14, 1968

Mr. LARRY SHERMAN, Puritan Finance Corporation, 188 West Randolph Street, was re-interviewed concerning the information he previously furnished about a waitress at the Sherman House Coffee Shop informing him on Saturday, June 1, 1968, that she had just heard that "ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head."

Mr. SHERMAN stated he and a group of four other men were having lunch at the Sherman House Coffee Shop (Clark and Randolph) between 1:00 and 2:00 P.M., June 1, 1968. While having lunch one of his waitresses, a LISA, or similar sounding name, informed his group that she had just heard that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head. Mr. SHERMAN stated he and his group were "stunned" by the news and while the group was discussing the information, the waitress returned and said she was mistaken about KENNEDY being shot in the head but made no attempt to clarify her mistake or elaborate further.

Mr. SHERMAN described the waitress as being white female in her 50's, about 5'6", weighing 140 - 145 pounds, dark hair, wore glasses and spoke with a slight accent, possibly German. He stated his group sat in the South East corner of the Coffee Shop.

Mr. SHERMAN stated since Senator KENNEDY was shot in the head on June 5, 1968, he thought he should furnish the above information to the FBI.

On 6/6/68 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 89-61 702
by SAs RAY I. SHRYOCK and CHARLES E. BRUNNER/mam 6/12/68
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 18, 1968

LEE DENNIS, waitress, Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Streets, advised she remembered the incident of Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, concerning KENNEDY being shot. She heard BEATRICE PIEPKORN, another waitress in the coffee shop, talking to ROSE TURCK, waitress, about KENNEDY being hit in the head. She stated ROSE misinterpreted the information and passed it on to a group of customers that KENNEDY had been shot in the head. After ROSE learned that the information was not true either ROSE or BEA informed the customers that the information about KENNEDY was not true.

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Date June 18, 1968

On June 6, 1968, EVA JASPERSON, Manager, Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Street, advised that she remembered the incident or "rumor" about ROBERT KENNEDY being shot in the head. She stated it happened Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, and stated she did not know who started the rumor, but she did know it was a statement made in error by one of the waitresses "overhearing" a conversation between a customer and another waitress. This concerned KENNEDY receiving a blow on the head which was misconstrued as being shot in the head and subsequently passed on in error to other customers.

Miss JASPERSON stated the waitresses on duty Saturday afternoon June 1, 1968, who worked the South east section of the coffee shop were ROSE TURCK, LEE DENNIS and BEATRICE PIEPKORN.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 9/10/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re: MR. & MRS. JOSEPH KRAFT, aka Croft
Hall Syndicate
400 No. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Attached is Xerox copy of a Los Angeles Police Department interview form wherein the above-captioned person is named by the person interviewed as being present in or adjacent to the Embassy Ballroom, Ambassador Hotel, on 6/4, 5/68, which room was being utilized by the campaign forces of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY to hear the results of the California primary election and to celebrate the Senator's victory in California. Senator KENNEDY was fatally shot by SIRHAN B. SIRHAN as he left the ballroom area and exited through the kitchen area in the rear of the ballroom. Photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and diagram of ballroom area attached.

LEAD:

Locate the above-captioned person and interview regarding his location at the time of shooting (12:15 A.M., 6/5/68), what he did at the time and any knowledge of SIRHAN being in the Ambassador Hotel prior to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. Results to be on FD-302 (22 copies to Los Angeles). Background and description of person interviewed should be included.

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The following investigation was conducted in Chicago, Illinois, by SA NELSON E. BOSE on dates indicated:

On August 19, 1968, it was determined, through Leonard's Street Guide of Chicago and Suburbs, the Chicago address 1402 Greenwood is non-existent.

The Chicago Telephone Directory lists no individual, WILLIAM ERTL.

On August 21, 1968, a credit and arrest check conducted by IC RALPH MC CLAIN with the Chicago Police Department and the Chicago Credit Bureau was negative regarding WILLIAM ERTL, 1402 Greenwood, Chicago.

The Chicago indices are negative regarding ERTL and contain no reference regarding a large robbery or theft of cashier's checks, from the University National Bank, Chicago.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

8/27/68

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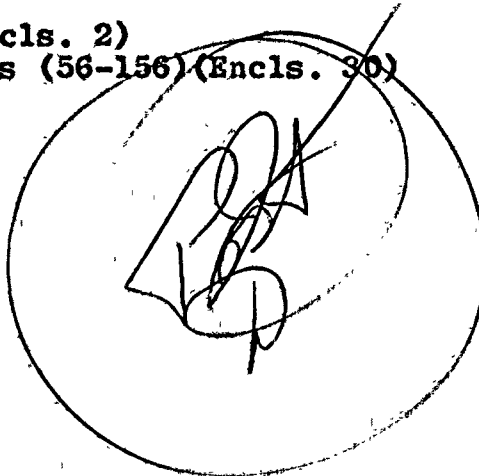
Re Director letter to Chicago dated 8/15/68 regarding
WILLIAM ERTL.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an insert
reflecting investigation in Chicago.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are thirty copies of above
insert.

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Bose

June 7, 1968

Mr Chet Huntley
NBC News
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York City, N Y

Dear Mr Huntley:

Have waited two days to write this, trying carefully to review in my mind, over and over, what I think I heard during your broadcast over TV, Wed eve, June 5th.

The more I think of it, the more I'm convinced I heard right.

I refer specifically to the portion of the program which showed Sen Kennedy being taken out of the hotel to the ambulance. Just about at curbside, when the stretcher was being brought to the doors of the ambulance, while there was a great deal of shouting and noise, it seems to me, that even above all the noises, there was the loud shout of a woman saying "Jordan". Not only do I think I heard it once but certainly twice and possibly a third time.

I'm sure you and NBC are in an excellent position to rerun that portion of your news coverage and determine if what I say is so. If so I'm certain you will know what to do about notifying the proper law enforcement officials.

If I'm wrong I apologize in advance for causing you any trouble.

Would certainly appreciate knowing though.

Sincerely,

Harry Cooper

2459 W Balmoral
Chicago, Ill 60625

P S: I might add a personal thought—these films were made within a few minutes of the time of the shooting—when the identity, either by name or nationality, had not as yet been made.

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September 6, 1968

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
1340 W 6th Street
Los Angeles, California

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a photocopy of a letter sent by me to Chet Huntley on June 7th.

Inasmuch as they have never replied to my letter I feel it in order and important enough to write further—to either confirm or reject my impression of that newscast.

Sincerely,

Harry Cooper
Harry Cooper

2459 W Balmoral
Chicago, Ill 60625

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 9/16/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELESRe: Mr. G. POLLOCK
Reinsurance Agency
141 West Jackson
Chicago, Illinois ATTN: Miss EAGEN

On 6/4/68 the above-captioned person was a registered guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

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The Los Angeles Police Department requested the assistance of the Bureau in the location and interview of guests of the hotel in an effort to determine whether or not any of the guests might be in possession of any information concerning a possible conspiracy, might know SIRHAN, or might have seen him about the hotel on the night of 6/4/68.

All information, negative or positive, should be incorporated into an FD-302, as all information is being disseminated to the District Attorney, Los Angeles County, in report form, such reports being prepared by Los Angeles.

Trial date is tentatively set for the first part of November 1968, and it would be appreciated if the lead is covered in an expedite fashion. For your assistance, there is enclosed a diagram of the hotel area and location of the shooting.

22 copies of FD-302 should be submitted.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 9/16/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re: Mr. C. ANDREW -

Gilbert Hotel Reservations30 N. La Salle Street

Chicago, Illinois ATTN: Mrs. GILBERT

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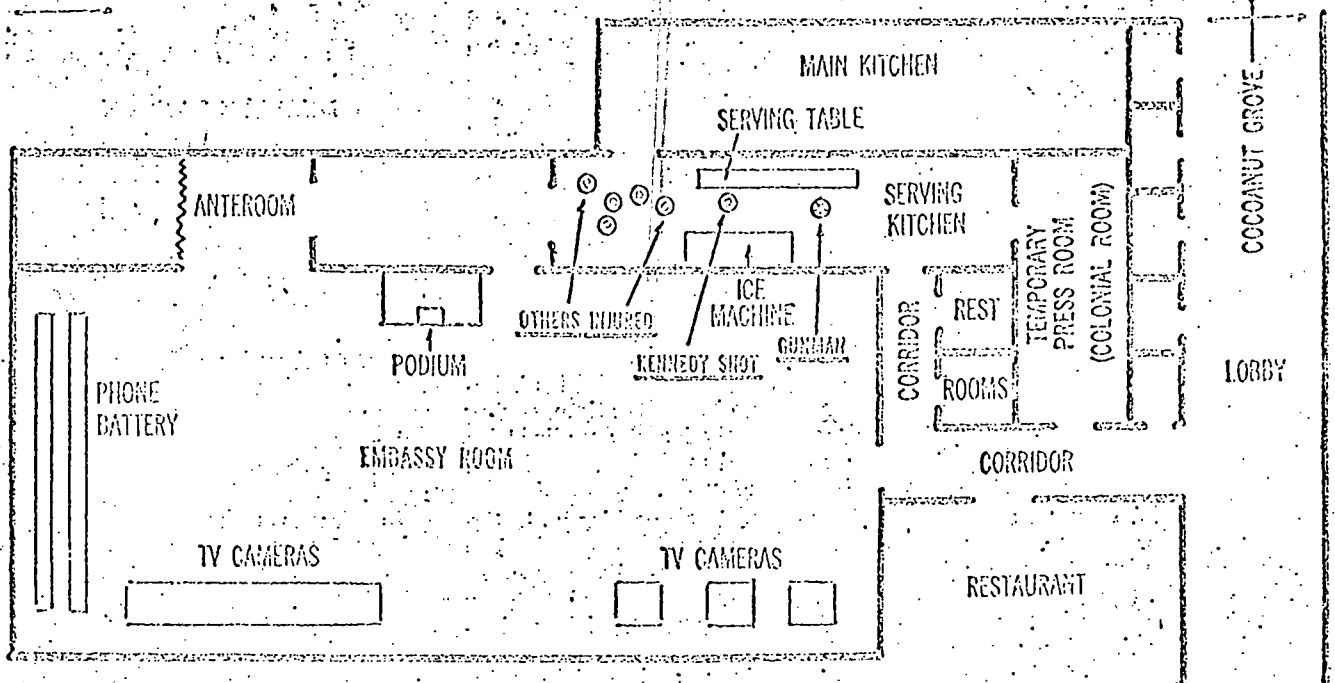


DIAGRAM OF SHOOTING SCENE—Sketch shows the doors leading from behind podium at Embassy

Room and the serving kitchen through which Sen. Kennedy was leaving when he and others were shot.
Times drawing by Oliver French

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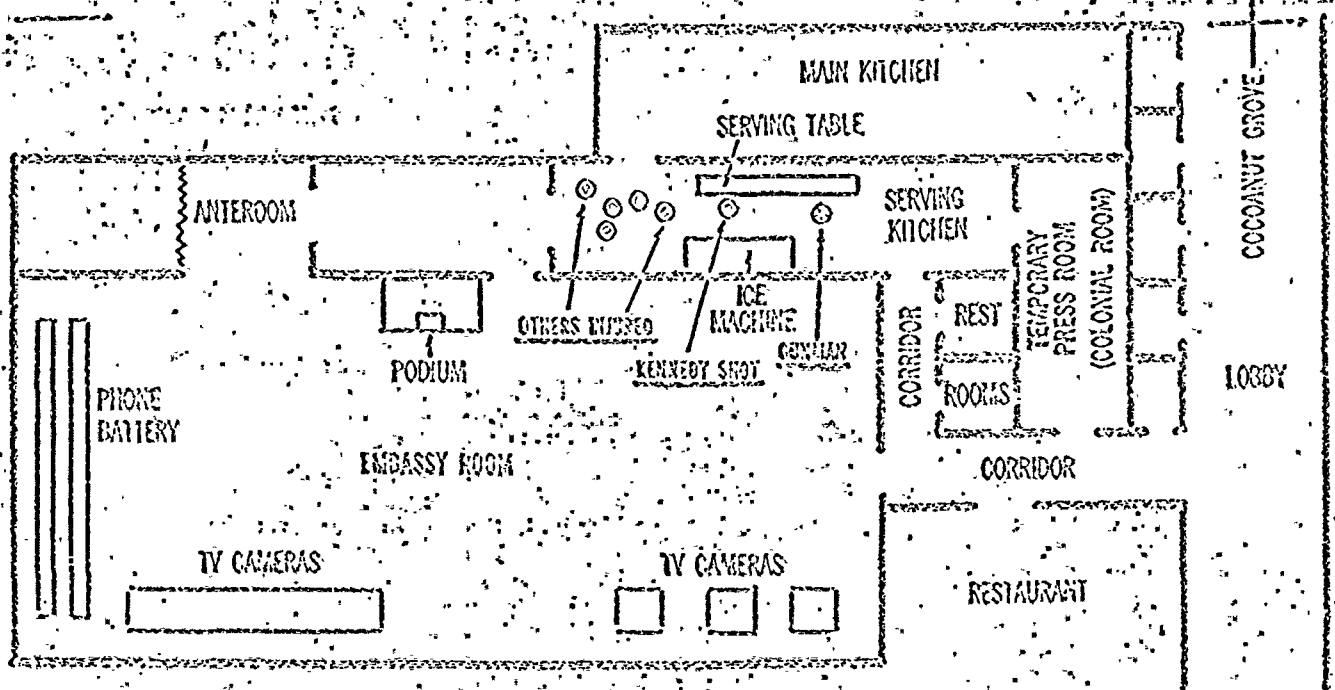


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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

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Re: Mrs. NERMON YORSTSKY
430 N. Adams Street
Hinsdale, Illinois

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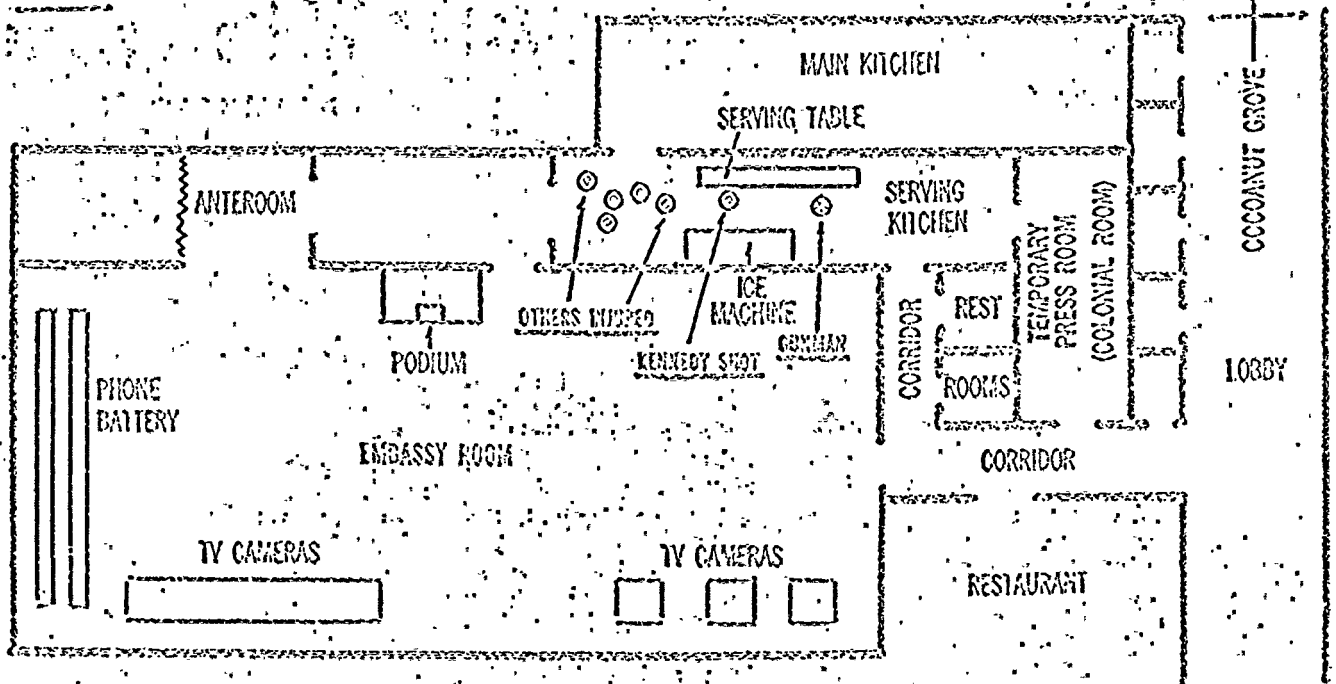


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