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Colonel J. [REDACTED] G. [REDACTED], Room 1001, Sheraton Boston Hotel, advised that he was an aide in the campaign of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY in the California primary election. He stated that he was in an upstairs suite at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, when Senator KENNEDY was shot in the early morning of June 5, 1968. Colonel G. [REDACTED] stated he did not see the captured gunman on that occasion nor did he recognize S. [REDACTED]. S. [REDACTED] from photographs as an individual he had ever seen previously on any occasion.

Colonel G. [REDACTED] stated that the only significant change he could recall in connection with Senator KENNEDY's plans was on June 4, 1968. The original plans were that he would spend the night of June 3-4, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel. However, after a complete day of campaigning on June 3, 1968, which ended in San Diego, California, KENNEDY returned to the Ambassador Hotel late that evening and departed soon afterwards for the Malibu Beach residence of movie director J. F. [REDACTED]. KENNEDY and several of his party spent the following day at Malibu Beach and returned to the Ambassador Hotel around 8:00 p.m., June 4, 1968.

Colonel G. [REDACTED] could recall no other significant changes in regard to Senator KENNEDY's itinerary.

On 6/13/68 at Boston, Massachusetts File # Boston 44-646
by SA J. [REDACTED] H. [REDACTED] /lz/alm Date dictated 6/14/68
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J. [REDACTED], 425 Riverside Drive, New York City, furnished free and voluntarily the information regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY as follows:

He stated that he joined Senator KENNEDY's Staff on July 31, 1967, as a junior legal assistant and his duties were mainly speech writing, legal research and committee work. G [REDACTED] stated that he graduated from Yale in June, 1966, and that A. L. W. [REDACTED] interviewed him for his position with Senator KENNEDY's Staff. He said that W. [REDACTED] and he did all of the speech writing for Senator KENNEDY.

G. [REDACTED] stated that during Senator KENNEDY's campaign in Indiana, he returned to New York City on May 8, 1968, with Senator KENNEDY. He was married on May 11, 1968, in Plainfield, New Jersey, and rejoined KENNEDY's Staff in Los Angeles on May 16, 1968. He said that he and W. [REDACTED] shuttled from California to Oregon as one speech writer would be preparing speeches for the coming events.

G. [REDACTED] stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, and early minutes of June 5, 1968, he was in the 5th Floor Suite of Senator KENNEDY. He stated he was not in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel during the celebration and announcement of Senator KENNEDY's victory. He said that he never saw SIRHAN SIRHAN other than photographs in newspapers, magazines and on television. G. [REDACTED] stated that the individuals in the Suite of Senator KENNEDY on the 5th Floor were notified by P. [REDACTED] S. [REDACTED], by direct line from the ballroom to C. L. W. [REDACTED], Secretary, who was in the Suite. He said when W. [REDACTED] was informed by S. [REDACTED] that something had happened to Senator KENNEDY, W. [REDACTED] informed the individuals in the Suite, A. L. W. [REDACTED] ran down several flights of stairs to the ballroom and returned shortly afterward. G. [REDACTED] stated that he and a number of the KENNEDY Staff went to the hospital and stayed at the different hospitals until Senator KENNEDY passed away.

GREENFIELD stated that he has no additional information regarding this tragedy and all plans regarding

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On 6/14/68 at New York, New York File # NY 44-1640by SA E. [REDACTED] C. [REDACTED] /pr Date dictated 6/17/68

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the movements of Senator KENNEDY were handled by [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] and his crew, called the advance men. They made all arrangements with police departments, hotels, routes, motorcade extra.

G [REDACTED] stated that he is temporarily staying at the apartment of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. H [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and they will know his whereabouts at all times, although he does have an apartment at [REDACTED], Washington, D.C.

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I [REDACTED] G [REDACTED], 5038 Aldama Street, Highland Park, California, telephone 254-9082, was interviewed in connection with his working at the KENNEDY campaign headquarters office in Los Angeles during May 1968, during which time information was received by the FBI that SIRHAN B. SIRHAN had been seen at the KENNEDY headquarters.

G [REDACTED] advised during recent months he worked as Coordinator for the Southern California Students for KENNEDY Campaign. He stated he was hired through the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters and attended several meetings during April and May 1968. During this time he also attended several meetings at the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles between May 12-18, 1968. G [REDACTED] observed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and stated at no time did he see anyone at any of the meetings that resembled SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

G [REDACTED] advised that during the campaign meetings he became acquainted with J. A. [REDACTED], student at Compton Junior College, however, he has not seen or heard from A [REDACTED] since about June 1, 1968.

G [REDACTED] stated that if any strangers would have attended any of the campaign meetings, these individuals would have come to his attention for the meetings consisted of approximately 20 to 25 campaign workers from the local Los Angeles colleges and universities.

G [REDACTED] advised he was present at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, during the evening hours of June 4, and early morning hours of June 5, 1968. He recalled that he was standing outside the front entrance of the hotel when he first learned of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

On 7/15/68 at Highland Park, California File # Los Angeles 56-156
 by SA R. F. P. [REDACTED] and - 97 -
 SA J. C. F. [REDACTED], JR./JCF/sdb Date dictated 7/19/68

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He stated that during the time he was at the hotel or at any other time nothing came to his attention to indicate Senator KENNEDY would be shot. Also, he observed no one at the hotel who resembled SIRHAN on June 4, 1968, or at any other time.

G [REDACTED] furnished the following information concerning himself:

Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Seattle, Washington
Height	5'6"
Weight	135 pounds
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]

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E [REDACTED] advised
SA P [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] that she was one of the secretaries assigned to Senator KENNEDY's staff as it was traveling on the West Coast, handling the Oregon and California presidential primaries.

She advised that at the time of the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY, she was in the Senator's suite, Ambassador Hotel, with numerous other individuals, watching the television reports. She related that she has no firsthand knowledge of the shooting, and to the best of her recollection, she has never observed SIRHAN SIRHAN in the past.

[REDACTED] related that Senator KENNEDY was scheduled to attend a victory party with his volunteer workers after his speech; however, he decided to meet with members of the press before attending this party.

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J [REDACTED] H [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Washington, D. C., stated she was a secretary traveling with the official party of Senator KENNEDY on his West Coast presidential campaign.

She said she was in the seventh floor suite of the Ambassador Hotel on the night Senator KENNEDY was shot and therefore could furnish no pertinent details.

She said, to her knowledge, she had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assassin of Senator KENNEDY.

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Dr. M [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] Ph. D., was contacted at his office, 706 East Manchester, Los Angeles concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He advised that he was a KENNEDY supporter and member of Senator KENNEDY's Local Speaker's Bureau and he was present at the Ambassador Hotel on the night KENNEDY was shot. He provided the following observations which occurred at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968.

He arrived at the Ambassador about 10:30 PM on June 4, 1968. The guards at the door of the Embassy Room at the Ambassador would not let him enter the room. He was told that because of fire regulations they were unable to allow anyone else to enter the room. He then went through the kitchen in order to enter the Embassy Room. While he was going through the kitchen he stated that he observed SIRHAN sitting on a table in the kitchen. He stated he thought it was odd that SIRHAN was in the kitchen because he was not dressed as a kitchen employee and he was dressed in "dirty" clothing. He did not speak to SIRHAN but remembered seeing him in passing through the kitchen about 10:30 PM, June 4, 1968.

[REDACTED] H [REDACTED] stated he had been an active worker for the KENNEDY campaign in the Los Angeles area. He was with the KENNEDY party on the Senator's visit to Watts and at the Greek Theater and acted as a security man at the Greek Theater.

After he arrived in the Embassy Room he saw Mrs. JI [REDACTED] S [REDACTED] who invited him to join the private after-victory party, which was for the campaign workers. About mid-night, Senator KENNEDY came into the Embassy Room to make a short speech. It was his understanding that the Senator would leave through the crowd. Someone told him that Mrs. KENNEDY was feeling faint, so KENNEDY decided to leave through the back entrance and through the kitchen.

He joined the KENNEDY group and was following them through the "pantry door" which lead to the kitchen. Just before he went through the door, he saw many balloons floating in the air.

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SA's R [REDACTED] W [REDACTED] & JE [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] /JAH/dey 7/10/68

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Just as he entered the door, he heard what he assumed later to be the first of several gun shots fired. At first, he thought the noise he heard was caused by the exploding of the balloons. When he realized that the noises he heard were gun shots, he recalled hearing six (6) shots. He did not see any person firing the shots. The last thing he remembered of seeing Senator KENNEDY was his apparent efforts to protect himself by throwing up his hands. His next recollection was of R [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] and others trying to take a gun away from SIRHAN.

An unidentified woman shouted to him to "get a doctor, the Senator has been shot." At this point, [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] ran from the kitchen into the Embassy Room searching for a doctor. While running in the Embassy Room, he stated he remembered seeing a caucasian female about twenty-five, 5'4", 126 pounds, moving toward the exit. This woman was wearing a white dress with black polka dots and definitely had dark hair. He did not say anything to this woman, nor did he hear her say anything. He stated the only unusual thing he noticed about this woman was the fact that she appeared much calmer than anyone else in the room, and appeared to be trying to leave the room as soon as possible.

While in the Embassy Room, searching for a doctor, a man hurried past him in a furtive manner. He could not describe this man, but believed he was caucasian and carried a notebook. As he left the Embassy room into the hall, he saw Mr. S [REDACTED] S [REDACTED], who is an insurance broker with an office on Crenshaw Boulevard. S [REDACTED] said to him, "My God--he run right through our fingers." [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] stated that the man to whom S [REDACTED] was referring was the same man who ran past him mentioned above. [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] said his impression at the time that this man ran past him was that he was a newspaper reporter. He did not give this man any additional thought, since he was sure that the assassin was being subdued in the kitchen.

Just outside the Embassy Room entrance, he found Doctor F [REDACTED] F [REDACTED] T, who is a Medical Doctor, and Doctor R [REDACTED] M [REDACTED], whom he said is a surgeon. He attempted to lead them back

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to the kitchen where Senator KENNEDY had been shot. At this time security was extremely tight, and the guards at the Embassy Room entrance would not let them into the room. After proper identification, indicating that the three were doctors, the guards let them into the Embassy Room. The three of them then rushed back to the kitchen.

When they reached the kitchen, the ambulance was already there taking care of Senator KENNEDY. The first thing he saw was Mrs. F [REDACTED] lying against the wall with blood coming from her head. He advised that he is not a medical doctor, but a clinical psychologist, therefore, he did not administer first aid to Mrs. F [REDACTED] or anyone else. He did what he could to help Doctor M [REDACTED] in administering emergency treatment to the other victims of the assassin's bullets. As additional ambulances arrived the various victims were taken from the kitchen.

Shortly after he arrived back in the kitchen with the doctors, the police had SIRHAN in their physical custody. As they were taking him out of the kitchen into the main hall, he heard SIRHAN say, "I did it, but I can explain. I did it for my country."

After all the victims had been taken away in ambulances, there was still mass confusion in the kitchen and the Embassy Room. He stated ABC and CBS reporters wanted him to make a statement which he did. At this point, he advised that he became extremely exhausted and wanted to go home. He went into the Embassy Room and discovered that the police would not let anyone leave. He went back to the kitchen and had one of the kitchen employees lead him out the back way. He went to his car and went home.

In reflection, he remembered that every person he thought to be an employee in the kitchen was dressed in white. This is another reason he thought it strange to see SIRHAN in the kitchen area earlier in the evening.

He estimated that the lapse of time from the shooting until he left the hotel to go home was about thirty (30) minutes. He arrived home between 1:30 and 2:00 AM.

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[REDACTED] E [REDACTED] stated that he resides at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Los Angeles, California, 90043, and has telephone number 294-0342.

He advised that he had been interviewed by Mr. B [REDACTED] (phonetic) of the Los Angeles Police Department. He said he told B [REDACTED] everything he had just stated. B [REDACTED] showed him many photographs of both males and females. From the photographs shown to him, he was unable to identify the woman in the polka dot dress or the man who ran past him in the Embassy Room whom S [REDACTED] thought was involved.

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H. [redacted] D. [redacted], residence [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]e, Alexandria, Virginia, Assistant Press Secretary to the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, advised that he admitted volunteer campaign workers to the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, between 6:30 and 6:45 P.M., on June 4, 1968. He said around 7:15 P.M. of that date, it was decided to close the Embassy Room and thereafter admit only those who had an Embassy Room press pass. He said that following Senator KENNEDY'S victory speech in the Embassy Room, Senator KENNEDY was to go to the Colonial Room to talk to the writing press as he had in the Indiana and Oregon primaries.

[redacted] D. [redacted] stated that he was near the Colonial Room when he heard a commotion, however, he did not actually hear any shots. He said the events are just a blur to him but he recalls climbing on a steel table and seeing Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor. He said that he saw SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assailant of Senator KENNEDY, however, he was not aware that he had seen SIRHAN at any prior time.

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Date June 18, 1968

Mr. J. [REDACTED] M. [REDACTED] Mooresville, Indiana, advised that he went to Los Angeles, California, on Wednesday, May 29, 1968, from Oregon where he was working on the KENNEDY primary.

M. [REDACTED] said he accompanied the motorcade to downtown Los Angeles where he stopped at the Ambassador Hotel for the assignment in the California primaries. [REDACTED] said that he was assigned to make arrangements for a working press room which was the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel and a press distribution center which was the North Room of the Ambassador Hotel. M. [REDACTED] stated that he was assisted by R. E. [REDACTED] of Malibu, California, and that in addition to making arrangements for the above-mentioned rooms, he and R. [REDACTED] took over the registration desk of the hotel from approximately 6:00 PM, May 29, 1968, to 1:00 AM, May 30, 1968.

M. [REDACTED] said that sometime between 9:45 and 10:30 PM, R. [REDACTED] suggested that they take a break by going for a drink to a free bar which was set up near the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel. M. [REDACTED] said while sitting at a table near the free bar, a young man described as 5'3", 120 pounds, dark complexion, with heavy well-groomed black hair, wearing a sport coat with blue stripes and contrasting trousers and a dark tie open at the neck, approached him and asked for the schedule of Senator KENNEDY for the two following days, May 30 and 31, 1968. M. [REDACTED] said his first thought was "what's a Mexican American reporter doing here in Oregon", but then he recalled he was in California. M. [REDACTED] answered that he did not have the schedule but that the individual could obtain the same by going to 5615 Wilshire Boulevard or calling there.

M. [REDACTED] stated that the individual then asked what time the Senator would be in that evening, to which M. [REDACTED] answered 11:00 PM.

M. [REDACTED] said he then assumed that the individual worked for a radio station in that radio stations send young people who are inexperienced whereas newspaper media are more apt to send older, more experienced personnel. M. [REDACTED] stated that the individual had a Wednesday schedule in his right coat pocket and that he said, "I have today's schedule".

M. [REDACTED] advised that he went back to the registration desk of the hotel at approximately 11:00 PM, whereupon the press contingent came up the stairs. M. [REDACTED] said that he thought the Senator was back in the hotel at this time because of the return of the press contingent.

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by SA L. [REDACTED] R. [REDACTED] stndv Date dictated 6/17/68

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■ M ■ said he checked people in until approximately 1:00 AM, May 30, 1968.

■ M ■ recalled that he saw the individual the second time between 11:00 and 12:00 during a short trip to the North Room at which time the individual again asked the question regarding the Senator's schedule, whereupon ■ M ■ informed him that he must go to 5615 Wilshire Boulevard to obtain the same.

■ M ■ further stated that sometime after he saw the first individual (probably Wednesday morning or early afternoon) two Latin types described as well dressed, olive skin, thin faced, well-groomed dark hair with long sideburns, and wearing dark business suits, also asked for the schedule. ■ M ■ added that these two individuals looked enough alike to be cousins.

■ M ■ advised that he left on Thursday afternoon to go to New York City for campaign arrangements there.

Upon being exhibited a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, ■ M ■ said that the face on view looked like the first individual, but that he could not be positive. He, ■ M ■ added that the photograph looked a little messed up and that he had the impression that the first individual mentioned above may have had longer sideburns; however, he added the photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN seemed to him to not be totally unfamiliar. ■ M ■ said that the photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN did not in any way resemble the two Latin types mentioned above.

■ M ■ recalled that his first reaction after seeing news media photographs was that he vaguely remembered seeing someone very similar to SIRHAN SIRHAN.

■ M ■ further stated that he could not be certain if it was the first individual in the Ambassador Hotel the night of May 29, 1968, but someone was wearing a pair of dark brown buckle loafers, with a sheen, made of large grain leather with the buckle across the instep. ■ M ■ added that he appreciates good shoes, and that for some reason these stood out in his mind, perhaps because they were uncared for.

■ M ■ finally stated that it was possible that R. E. of Malibu, California, may have seen and could recall the first individual mentioned above. ■ M ■ added that he did not know

what R█████'s address was; however, he was sure that he, R█████, could be contacted through PAT BROWN's Law Office, in Los Angeles, California.

M█████ further added that either L████ G████ N and/or C████ C████ were present when the two Latin types asked for the Senator's schedule of May 30, 1968. According to M████, L████ G████ lives in New York City and could be contacted through her husband M████ C████ of Dutton, Gwirtzman, and Wise (phonetic) Law Firm of New York City; and that C████ could be readily found in the Washington, D. C. telephone book, although her address at that time was unknown to him.

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P [REDACTED] M [REDACTED], residing at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED], advised he was formerly Assistant Office Manager at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. He said his duties consisted of being in charge of supplies and campaign literature at the headquarters.

Mr. M [REDACTED] said he was at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968, and had the job of tabulating votes. He was handling this activity inside the Presidential suite, which was located on the top floor of the hotel. He said he was inside the Presidential suite all of the time he was at the hotel that evening with the exception of the period he went downstairs to get something to eat. He estimated that this was about an hour before Senator KENNEDY was shot. Mr. M [REDACTED] said he has never met a person having the name SIRHAN SIRHAN. He has seen photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspaper, and he is positive he did not see him at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968. Mr. MULLER added that he cannot recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard.

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W [REDACTED] M [REDACTED] was interviewed at his residence, [REDACTED]. He advised he was not in or near the Embassy Room during the evening of June 4, 1968, and did not see Senator KENNEDY deliver his victory speech and did not see or hear the shooting which followed. M [REDACTED] advised he was Southern California Assistant to the KENNEDY Campaign Manager during the evening he was in Assemblyman J. U. [REDACTED]'s suite at the Ambassador Hotel. M [REDACTED] advised he is employed as Executive Assistant to Mayor S. Y. [REDACTED], Los Angeles, in Room 305, City Hall.

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Mr. G [REDACTED] F [REDACTED] was interviewed at his residence, 541 East 72nd Street, New York, New York.

He stated that he was in California for approximately the week prior to June 4, 1968, making speeches in behalf of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

On the night of June 4-5, 1968, prior to Senator KENNEDY's speech, he was in Senator KENNEDY's suite at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

He left the suite with Senator KENNEDY's party and went down a back elevator, by the kitchen and on to the podium in the ballroom where Senator KENNEDY made his speech. During the speech, F [REDACTED] was on the stage and stood to the rear and to the left of Senator KENNEDY.

F [REDACTED] was not part of the planning as to the route to take to or from the ballroom and just "tagged along" therefore he did not know if the plan, if there was one, of departure was changed.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, he turned to the rear of the stage and started that way in the general direction of F [REDACTED]. F [REDACTED], anticipating that Senator KENNEDY was going out the back of the stage, preceded Senator KENNEDY and went to the right after leaving the stage. F [REDACTED] was walking along about 12 feet in front of Senator KENNEDY and would look back to see that he (F [REDACTED]) was going in the correct direction.

Evidently as he was walking along he walked by SIRHAN SIRHAN but did not notice him.

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by SA F [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] :jrf Date dictated 6/28/68

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At one point he looked back as was his practice and saw that he was going in the correct direction and Senator KENNEDY was about 12 feet behind him and was shaking hands with one of the kitchen employees. He then looked forward and at that moment he heard very sharp shots. He knew they were shots and thinks that there were five of them in very rapid succession.

He turned his head and saw people reacting, shouting and screaming.

There was a crowd around Senator KENNEDY and P [REDACTED] could not see everything clearly but he thinks that B [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] of Senator KENNEDY's staff, may have knocked down SIRHAN SIRHAN once or twice. Out of the great crowd around Senator KENNEDY came another smaller crowd. In this latter group was J [REDACTED], a red-headed male member of Senator KENNEDY's staff, SIRHAN SIRHAN and maybe B [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] Y. JA [REDACTED], the red-head, and maybe P [REDACTED] had SIRHAN. P [REDACTED] then turned back to Senator KENNEDY who was lying on the floor.

P [REDACTED] grabbed for SIRHAN who still had the gun. At this point, J [REDACTED], the red-head, and P [REDACTED] had SIRHAN by the arm and had him over a steam table trying to get the gun from his hand. There may have been a third party holding SIRHAN. At about this time, P [REDACTED] thinks the gun came loose from SIRHAN's hand but SIRHAN recovered it immediately. There were no shots fired. Things happened very fast and others were helping to subdue SIRHAN. A man wearing a seer sucker jacket had hold of SIRHAN's leg and R [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] had hold of SIRHAN.

The struggle for the gun took a long time as SIRHAN had a firm grip on it. With J [REDACTED] the red-head and P [REDACTED] holding SIRHAN's wrist, a person who P [REDACTED] thinks was G [REDACTED] got the gun out of SIRHAN's hand.

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At one point SIRHAN said something such as "You're hurting my leg." [REDACTED] did not hear SIRHAN say anything else.

SIRHAN was now subdued and being held by [REDACTED], the red-head, R [REDACTED] G [REDACTED], the male in the seer sucker jacket who had SIRHAN by the leg and [REDACTED] who had SIRHAN by the wrist. They held him until the police arrived and SIRHAN was turned over to the custody of the police. J [REDACTED] U [REDACTED] was present and did most of the talking to the police and went with the police and SIRHAN.

[REDACTED] did not go to see Senator KENNEDY as he, P [REDACTED], was holding SIRHAN. [REDACTED] thinks that Senator KENNEDY was taken out before SIRHAN was but is not sure of this as his attention was on SIRHAN.

After SIRHAN was turned over to the police, P [REDACTED] went to the Good Samaritan Hospital where Senator KENNEDY had been taken.

While SIRHAN was being held, people asked him why he did it and P [REDACTED] asked him why he did it. SIRHAN did not answer any of these people.

[REDACTED] had never seen SIRHAN prior to the shooting and PLIMPTON noticed nothing undue prior to the shooting.

P [REDACTED] did not see the other shooting incidents.

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Mrs. F [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] was interviewed at her residence, 541 East 72nd Street, New York, New York.

She stated that her husband is [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] and that she was in California with him for approximately the week prior to June 4, 1968 as her husband was making speeches in California in behalf of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

On the night of June 4-5, 1968, prior to Senator KENNEDY's speech, she was in Senator KENNEDY's suite at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

She left the suite with Senator KENNEDY's party and down a back elevator, by the kitchen and on to the podium in the ballroom where Senator KENNEDY made his speech. During the speech, Mrs. P [REDACTED] was on the stage to the rear and left of Senator KENNEDY.

She was standing in front of the stage curtain and near some stairs that went down. She was standing with R [REDACTED] J [REDACTED] who was possibly standing on the stairs. Because she is short, she could not see much but noticed nothing undue.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, she followed Mr. J [REDACTED] down the stairs and thought that Senator KENNEDY followed behind them. She later learned that Senator KENNEDY did not come down these stairs.

She was then in a corridor and thinks she waited with Mr. J [REDACTED] for Senator KENNEDY to "catch up". She then continued walking assuming that Mr. J [REDACTED] was near her.

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As she was walking along she was about four or five feet in front of Senator KENNEDY and about three feet to his right.

As she was walking along she was looking back at Senator KENNEDY and saw him turn to his left to shake hands with a male kitchen employee.

At this moment, Senator KENNEDY gave a slight jump and his hands went up to the side of his face in a motion as if to push something away. She then saw an arm go up towards Senator KENNEDY's head, but did not see a gun, heard shots and it was obvious to her that Senator had been shot.

All of this happened very quickly and some of it almost simultaneously.

She saw SIRHAN SIRHAN very clearly. She saw his arm up toward Senator KENNEDY's head but did not see the gun. She saw SIRHAN SIRHAN's arm working and his eyes were narrow, the lines on his face were heavy and set and he was completely concentrated on what he was doing.

In view of the fact that Mrs. P [REDACTED] considers herself short and that she could see SIRHAN SIRHAN very clearly she is of the opinion that he was raised in some way. That is, he may have been sitting on a table or the crowd which was very thick, may have pushed him on to or against a table. This would have been before the shooting.

Mrs. P [REDACTED] is of the opinion that Senator KENNEDY, in turning to his left to shake hands, put himself in close range of SIRHAN SIRHAN and that when Senator KENNEDY gave a slight jump, he was being shot in the arm.

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Mrs. P [REDACTED] is of the opinion that there were about five shots in very rapid succession and two or three scattered shots after that.

Mrs. P [REDACTED] went out a door by the press room for a doctor. On her way out she went by a group of people where SIRHAN SIRHAN was, but did not see him. She learned later that her husband was also in this group but she did not see him.

When she got out the door, she saw a girl standing there and told this girl to get a doctor.

Mrs. P [REDACTED] then went back in through the door. The door was blocked by someone but she pushed her way in.

She saw SIRHAN SIRHAN lying on a table, R [REDACTED] lying on his legs and Mr. P [REDACTED] standing or kneeling on the table.

She went to R [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] as he was "broken-up".

She saw SIRHAN SIRHAN released to the police and then she and Mr. P [REDACTED] took Mr. G [REDACTED] to the kitchen and gave him some water, then she and Mr. P [REDACTED] took Mr. G [REDACTED] to Senator KENNEDY's suite and "put him in bed".

Mr. and Mrs. P [REDACTED] then went to the Good Samaritan Hospital where Senator KENNEDY had been taken. Mr. G [REDACTED] appeared at the hospital later.

Mrs. P [REDACTED] had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN prior to the shooting and she heard him say nothing.

Mrs. P [REDACTED] is of the impression that SIRHAN SIRHAN was removed before Senator KENNEDY was taken out.

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Mr. I [REDACTED] R [REDACTED]
Malibu, California, telephone [REDACTED] who is a self-employed writer, who works out of his home, was interviewed at his home and he furnished the following information:

He was a salaried speech writer for the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and had been so employed for about one month prior to the Senator's death.

On Wednesday, May 29, 1968, he came to Los Angeles from Portland, Oregon, and on that evening was in the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, where he had a drink at the free bar with J [REDACTED] M [REDACTED] of Moorsville, Indiana. He could not recall the details of any specific instance where someone had asked the Senator's schedule because he said he must have been asked one hundred or more times where the Senator would be from time to time. He could not recall what the individual looked like, but had a faint recollection of [REDACTED] M [REDACTED] telling someone to go to the campaign headquarters for some information. He said [REDACTED] M [REDACTED] must have a much better memory than he has because he recalls no details of the incident and the description of the individual as furnished by [REDACTED] M [REDACTED] meant nothing to him.

He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated he could not recall having ever seen him in person.

He said he spent considerable time during the day and in the evenings working in the North Room of the Ambassador Hotel and had spent very little time at the campaign headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard.

He stated that on the night of June 4 and the early morning of June 5, 1968, he and his wife, V [REDACTED], were working at the anchor desk to the left of the stage in the Embassy Room and heard Senator KENNEDY address the group in the Embassy Room.

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Senator KENNEDY then left the Embassy Room via the kitchen area to go to the Colonial Room when Mr. R█████ heard a "popping noise" which he said he thought was the bursting of balloons. He momentarily heard that the noises were gunshots and that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. He said he did not go to the area where the Senator was shot, but watched the commotion on the television monitors. He said he did not see who shot the Senator nor did he see the Senator after being shot. He did not recall having seen a woman in a polka dot dress in the area of the shooting.

He said he had heard the plans were for Senator KENNEDY to go to the ballroom, after leaving the Embassy Room, to address a group that had assembled there. Someone changed his plans to where he would be going to the Colonial Room through the kitchen area for a press conference. He said D█████ K█████ who lives in Pacific Palisades, California, telephone ██████████, told him he knew fifteen minutes before Senator KENNEDY left the room that he would be going to the Colonial Room and, allegedly, KLINE was to have been interviewed by the FBI on June 1⁴, 1968.

Mr. R█████ said he did not know who actually changed the route Senator KENNEDY was to take, but understood it was done for the benefit of the press, particularly the members of from the East whose deadlines were shorter than the West Coast because of the time differences.

He said the only person he knew who had seen SIRHAN B. SIRHAN was J█████ R█████, who said she had seen him about an hour before the shooting in the kitchen area and she had "run him out". He said he wanted to explain something that previously came up in connection with an interview with him and R█████ by the Los Angeles Police Department. During the interview, R█████ said she had run the man, later identified

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as SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, from the passageway behind the stage in the Embassy Room after being told to do so by R [REDACTED]. He said he and R [REDACTED] later discussed what they had told the Los Angeles Police and he wanted to correct the statement to the effect that she had not ordered SIRHAN out of the passageway at the specific request of R [REDACTED] because Mr. R [REDACTED] said he did not know anyone was in that area, but it was her job to keep the passageway clear.

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Mrs. V [REDACTED] R [REDACTED], wife of R [REDACTED] F [REDACTED], was interviewed at her residence, [REDACTED] Malibu, California, telephone [REDACTED] and she furnished the following information:

She was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on the evening of June 4 and the morning of June 5, 1968. She and her husband were at the anchor desk in the Embassy Room, to the left of the stage, when she heard what sounded like gunshots seconds after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY left the Embassy Room through the kitchen area. She did not see who shot the Senator and she did not go to the area where he had been shot, but remained at the desk and watched the activity on the television monitors. She did not see a woman in a polka dot dress, to her recollection, and has not personally talked to anyone who had seen the person who shot the Senator.

She was shown a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and said she could not recall having seen this man at any time in person.

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Date 6/18/68

P [REDACTED] S [REDACTED] Attorney with firm of Shea, Gallop, Climenko and Gould, 330 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, voluntarily furnished the following information concerning the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY:

S [REDACTED] said he was a personal friend of ROBERT KENNEDY having previously worked with him during 1964.

J [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] was in charge of the advance party for the state of California. SMITH was in charge and the head of the Advance party of the Los Angeles Office and was responsible for the movements of KENNEDY in the Los Angeles area during KENNEDY's campaign.

On the night of June 4-5, 1968, his specific job was to make arrangements to move, and to move KENNEDY in and out of the various rooms of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. He said that J [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] was in Los Angeles and desired to assist so he too was aiding with the KENNEDY party movement plans. S [REDACTED] said that B [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] and F [REDACTED] D [REDACTED] were acting as KENNEDY's immediate body guards and that R [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] and P [REDACTED] J [REDACTED] were also assisting in a similar capacity, but it was D [REDACTED] and B [REDACTED] who actually set the routes for ROBERT KENNEDY to follow within the Ambassador Hotel.

S [REDACTED] related that all went well and according to prior arranged plans at the Ambassador Hotel. He said that they were assisted by a Mr. "U" [REDACTED], Catering Manager of the hotel on this occasion, and they had been assisted by him in the past when they were in Los Angeles. He explained that he did not know this person's real last name and that "U" [REDACTED] was as he understood it the man's first name, but that everyone called him "U" [REDACTED].

S [REDACTED] said that he was in the Embassy Room with KENNEDY and his numerous other aides as the results began to come in. He said that as the favorable totals came in everyone became more jubilant and that as it became evident

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that KENNEDY was going to be the winner he, KENNEDY, became more relaxed and in better spirits than he, S [redacted] had seen him in many months. He said that the Senator personally came to him and invited him to be sure and come to "The Factory", a night club in which he said he believed P [redacted] S [redacted] had some interest, and one in which the Senator had decided to give a private party for his close friends immediately following the proceedings at the Ambassador Hotel. He said that the Senator told him that he was getting his staff together at "The Factory" and that for him to be sure and come.

S [redacted] stated that as victory became assured for the Senator, a small conference was held between KENNEDY and his staff and it was discussed that the Senator would have to hold a press conference as soon as he thanked his loyal supporters in the hotel ballroom. He said that it was decided that the best place to have such a press conference would be in the Press Room, a room on the same floor as the Embassy Room and one in which the press had made their temporary headquarters.

S [redacted] said that he understood that F [redacted] D [redacted] and B [redacted] B [redacted] had reviewed the route to be taken, but that Senator KENNEDY was the one who made the final decision about the matter.

S [redacted] said that at about the time that Senator KENNEDY began his victory statement he, S [redacted], left the podium to make his way downstairs to assure that the motorcade was in position at the street. S [redacted] explained that it had been necessary for the Senator's party to contract with the Riggs Funeral Home people for them to furnish escort service for the KENNEDY party while they were in Los Angeles. He said that they did not have police escorts and adequate police protection in Los Angeles that everyone was led to believe that they were offered and that this was the reason that they had engaged Riggs as escort service.

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S [redacted] explained that he left the Embassy Room and proceeded out of the hotel to the street. He said that as soon as he had checked to see that the motorcade was in position he immediately returned back upstairs to the Embassy Room. He said that upon his return he could not get into the Embassy Room so he made his way to the Press Room where he spoke with R [redacted] D [redacted]. He said that D [redacted] told him at that time that the plan was to bring Senator KENNEDY into the Press Room and have a press conference and then go through the kitchen and out to the motorcade.

S [redacted] said that there was a guard stationed at the entrance to the Press Room when he entered the door. He said he had this brief discussion with D [redacted] and then walked to the Press Room door and opened it. He said that at that very instant he heard what sounded to him like several firecrackers going off in rapid succession. He said that he saw nothing of the actual shooting itself, but heard the shots and saw the mass of people. He said it was a weird sight as the complete mass of people seemed to him to be swaying back and forth. S [redacted] stated that he did not at that moment see either Senator KENNEDY or his assassin, SIRHAN. He said that he noticed that when he did focus on the area where Senator KENNEDY had fallen that Mr. UNO and J [redacted] G [redacted] appeared to have been in front of the Senator so this would indicate that they knew the exact intended route of the Senator.

S [redacted] said that he realized then what had occurred and that he then returned to the far entrance of the Press Room to get the guard to stop everyone and seal off the entrance way. S [redacted] said that he then returned to the Press Room door. He said that he saw several people rush past him and that a couple of these people were women. He said, however, that none of these women who dashed past him were dressed in a polka dotted dress and that he never

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saw anyone dressed like that at anytime. He said that he believed that most of those persons who dashed past him were reporters rushing to get to a telephone.

[REDACTED] stated that when the assassin, SIRHAN, was taken from the hotel kitchen area by the police they passed right by him and that he got a good look at this person. He said that he could not recollect having observed SIRHAN prior to that time.

S [REDACTED] explained that in this respect, however, he had given a soundman named G [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] a pass to get into the Embassy Room that night. He said that C [REDACTED] was on the platform in the vicinity of the lectern during the evening. S [REDACTED] said that later after KENNEDY's death, Q [REDACTED] told him that he, C [REDACTED], had viewed SIRHAN in the Embassy ballroom and had moved SIRHAN off of the platform during the evening.

S [REDACTED] further related that he, himself, had gone to the Central Receiving Hospital and had remained with the KENNEDY party at the Good Samaritan Hospital and throughout the entire time traveling back to New York City and then on to Washington, DC. S [REDACTED] said that something struck him as unusual at the hospital. He said that a telephone call came in for B [REDACTED] and that B [REDACTED] was not available at the time so he, S [REDACTED] took the call. He said that the caller was this G [REDACTED] D [REDACTED], the same individual who was later picked up by New York City Police attempting to enter St. Patrick's Cathedral with an unloaded .38 caliber revolver in an attache case on June 8, 1968, just prior to President JOHNSON's arrival. S [REDACTED] said that D [REDACTED] requested him to ask B [REDACTED] if B [REDACTED] wanted him, D [REDACTED], to bring B [REDACTED]'s wife out to Los Angeles. He said D [REDACTED] said that he would bring her there if B [REDACTED] wanted him to.

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S [redacted] said that when at a later time he gave B [redacted] this message B [redacted] described this caller to him as a "hanger-on" from Syracuse, New York. S [redacted] said that it puzzled him as to how this person was able to get a call through to the KENNEDY party at the hospital to get in touch with B [redacted]. He said that this individual would, in his opinion, have had to have known the telephone number and the extension or that he would have had to resort to trickery to get the call put through.

S [redacted] said that in addition he wanted to add that contrary to what has been in the news and what people have been given to believe the Los Angeles Police Department refused to give the Senator and his party adequate police protection. He said that when Senator KENNEDY and his party came off the freeway into Los Angeles they were met by the police and told that they could not run any lights. He said that after they proceeded several blocks the crowds began to gather each time the motorcade stopped for a light and that finally the police returned and because they were halting traffic they, the police, took them straight on through the traffic lights to their destination in downtown Los Angeles. He said that then the police issued the motorcade citation for passing the traffic lights. S [redacted] said that he personally considered their relations with the police as strained from the outset.

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Mrs. M [REDACTED] S [REDACTED], Volunteer Coordinator of the KENNEDY for President Committee of Southern California, [REDACTED] California, telephone [REDACTED] advised as follows by telephone.

Mrs. S [REDACTED], who had been previously interviewed by SA L [REDACTED] W [REDACTED] on June 7, 1968, and by SA R [REDACTED] D [REDACTED] on June 8, 1968, was questioned whether she had any knowledge of any photographers who reportedly were shooting a movie film at the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California on the late afternoon of June 4, 1968. She said that there were a number of people taking shots of the interior of the headquarters on this and other dates, and that she had heard reference made to some Swiss group, but had not made any arrangements for them to shoot. She had also heard some reference made to a group known as Educational Films and knew nothing about such a firm or who may have authorized them to film in the headquarters. She did recall there was a crew of four or five people shooting a film in the headquarters and she recalled that it was on June 4, 1968 in the mid-afternoon.

The news department at the KENNEDY headquarters headed by D [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] would in all probability know whether a specific arrangement had been made for anyone to bring a crew of photographers on that or other dates. She did not have the address or telephone number for D [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] but was of the opinion that this information would be available at the KENNEDY Headquarters, which she felt was currently open on an intermittent basis. Mr. A [REDACTED] S [REDACTED] who had been in charge of the overall campaign in Los Angeles, may have some knowledge of any photographic groups at the headquarters.

In response to the question as to whether she had observed a young girl dressed in a polka-dot dress in the

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headquarters, particularly on the afternoon or late afternoon of June 4, 1968, Mrs. S [redacted] said that she had no recollection of any person fitting such a description. She mentioned there were crowds of people in and out of the headquarters and she was quite busy doing administrative affairs.

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E [REDACTED] T [REDACTED] advised he was an aide to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on his West Coast presidential campaign and that he handled the press. T [REDACTED] stated that he was an "itinerant" as far as permanent residence; however, he could be reached at 900 North Beverly Glen, Los Angeles, California, phone GR4-4396.

T [REDACTED] stated that after Senator KENNEDY had completed his short victory statement and had left the podium, he was trailing the Senator by 12 to 15 feet when he heard a noise sounding like a piece of wood cracking. He said he took his coat off and went to the assistance of Senator KENNEDY. He said the crowd was intense and he did not see the assailant during the commotion that followed, as he went to the side of Senator KENNEDY.

T [REDACTED] stated that it was agreed that Senator KENNEDY following the victory talk would go to the Colonial Room to talk to the press.

T [REDACTED] stated that he could not recall ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assassin of Senator KENNEDY during his travels with the KENNEDY campaign.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 14, 19681

Mr. J [REDACTED] U [REDACTED], Speaker of the California State Assembly, [REDACTED] California, furnished the following information:

On June 4, 1968, he was on the fifth floor of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, along with members of his staff and Senator KENNEDY and his staff, awaiting the results of the California Presidential Primary. People in the room off the main lobby, who were awaiting the arrival of Senator KENNEDY, began to get restless and it was suggested that he (U [REDACTED]) go down to speak to them.

At about 11:30 p.m. he went down and spoke to the group. At approximately 11:45 p.m. he felt there were sufficient returns for Senator KENNEDY to claim victory and sent his assistant, Mr. J [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] to get the Senator and his party.

The Senator came down to the hall and addressed the group congregated there for about eight minutes and then started to walk away. He proceeded to his right, towards a table where P [REDACTED] S [REDACTED] and D [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] were seated. He was propelled, by someone whom he could not see, towards the back of the stage. The stage was so jammed he (U [REDACTED]) decided to go down the stairs from the stage and go to the hallway by the door located at the foot of the stage.

. When he stepped out into the hallway Senator KENNEDY had already passed that area and was about ten paces ahead of him. He then heard two or four pops followed by four or five more. At this point he did not realize these were pistol

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shots and thought they might be balloons. All at once the crowd parted in front of him as he continued to walk forward. He then observed P. S. lying on the floor with an obvious bullet wound in his head and immediately noticed Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor ahead of S. Senator KENNEDY brought his hand down from his head and appeared to clutch at his stomach, hence he believed the Senator had been shot there. Someone had already gotten to the Senator and had undone his shirt.

Inasmuch as the crowd was pressing in, his first thoughts were to make room for the Senator and prevent his being trampled on. He then attempted to push newsmen, photographers, and other people in the area away. Noticing a photographer on top of a table where R. G. had pinned SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, he pulled him off the table and into the corridor. At this point it was the first time he had seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and at no time did he ever observe SIRHAN holding the gun.

Recalling the fate that had befallen LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and hearing voices in the crowd yelling to kill SIRHAN, he recalls yelling to the group holding SIRHAN to protect him. He could not recall exact words used but, remembering the events in Dallas when OSWALD had been shot, he did not want to see the same thing happen there. He did recall saying something like, "If the system works at all, we are going to try this one".

When the police arrived he attempted to keep the police all around SIRHAN . . . to protect him. He . . . grabbed SIRHAN by the scruff of the neck and helped to propel him down the hallway through the lobby and to a police car parked in front of the hotel.

He accompanied the police officers in the car that SIRHAN was in to the Rampart Division. He sat in front with the driver and SIRHAN was in the back seat between two other

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police officers. About the time they entered the car SIRHAN mumbled, " I did it for my country". He could not recall at just what point he (U [redacted]) asked the question during the ride, but since SIRHAN looked like a Latin-American he asked SIRHAN, "Why him? Why him? He was trying to do something". SIRHAN muttered, "It's too late, it's too late". He also recalls SIRHAN saying, "I can explain, I can explain". He could not, however, recall the exact sequence of the statements except for the one made as they entered the car.

They arrived at the Rampart Division and SIRHAN was taken into a room there by one of the officers. His sole concern there was that SIRHAN not be in a position to do himself any harm and he was assured by an officer that SIRHAN was still handcuffed and would not be able to do himself any harm. Shortly after their arrival at the Rampart Division he noticed the time was 12:43 a.m.

SIRHAN subsequently was brought out, placed into a police car, and taken to the Central Division. He followed in another car. Upon arriving SIRHAN was taken to an isolation room and interrogated and that is all he saw of SIRHAN.

He added that he was not aware of any formal plans for Senator KENNEDY to address the press. The only plan he was aware of was that there was to be a victory celebration at the "Factory" a discotheque in Hollywood, California, to which he and his staff had been invited. To his knowledge all plans were made by the Senator's staff.

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C [REDACTED] W [REDACTED], Washington, D. C., advised that she was a secretary traveling with the official travel party of Senator KENNEDY on his West Coast campaign.

She stated at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot in the Ambassador Hotel, she was in a upstairs suite of that hotel. She stated that she could not recall ever seeing the suspected assassin SIRHAN SIRHAN during her travels with Senator KENNEDY.

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Mrs. J [REDACTED] W [REDACTED] North
Redmond, Washington (206-TU 5-1153), advised SAs W [REDACTED]
S [REDACTED] and P [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] that she is a personal friend
of the KENNEDY family and is presently residing with Mrs.
KENNEDY at their Mc Lean residence. She related that she
was in the suite of Senator KENNEDY's party at the Ambassador
Hotel in Los Angeles, California, when the assassination of
Senator KENNEDY occurred.

Mrs. W [REDACTED] did not see the individual who shot
Senator KENNEDY at any time prior to the shooting and is totally
unfamiliar with the Senator's departing route after giving
speeches.

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1Date 7/15/68

F [REDACTED] Y [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Los Angeles, advised that she was a staff member for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and she furnished the following information with respect to her knowledge of the events at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4 and June 5, 1968, where Senator KENNEDY was shot.

She worked at the Senator's campaign headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard until approximately 10:00 p.m. on June 4, 1968, and then drove to the Ambassador Hotel to participate in the rally. She parked her car on Eighth Street, south of the Ambassador Hotel, and proceeded from there to the Embassy Room. She was informed by a guard that she could not enter since the fire marshals had closed the room. She then went to the Colonial Room and was able to enter that area but her husband, K [REDACTED] Y [REDACTED], who was with her and several other friends who did not have staff badges, could not get into this room.

She stated that she stayed in the Colonial Room only a few minutes and then went to the lower ballroom with her husband and the friends she was with. She remained in the lower ballroom with the large crowd and heard from someone in the audience, after the Senator had made his speech, that he had just been shot. She did not believe this until she heard the announcement made over the public address system.

She advised that shortly before the Senator began his speech, her husband decided that, due to heat and the crowded room, he would go home.

She was shown photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and she advised that she did not see this individual at any time in the Ambassador Hotel.

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Date July 5, 1968

Doctor [REDACTED] R [REDACTED] Superintendent of Public Instruction and Director of Education, California State Department of Education, 721 Capitol Mall, advised that during the evening of June 4, 1968, he remained in a private room at The Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles.

During this period he was viewing television election returns with close friends and political supporters concerning his candidacy for the Republican nomination to a seat in the United States Congress.

Shortly after 11:30 p.m. it became apparent that he had won the election so he and his group went to the Venetian Room of The Ambassador Hotel, where his main victory celebration was in progress, attended by 300 to 400 persons.

Doctor R [REDACTED] said that at about midnight he began addressing the group in the Venetian Room but was interrupted with the news that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot. He was immediately escorted to another room in the hotel where he remained for the rest of the night under protection of the Los Angeles Police Department.

Doctor R [REDACTED] related that he had no personal knowledge of the possible presence of KENNEDY murder suspect SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the Venetian Room on the

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night of June 4-5, 1968. He added, however, that it was his understanding that the wife of his Special Assistant, B [REDACTED] F [REDACTED] had claimed to have seen SIRHAN there.

Doctor R [REDACTED] noted that the June 21, 1968, issue of "Life Magazine" carried allegations that SIRHAN had been thrown out of the Venetian Room and had been refused a drink by a bar hostess there but that no such information had come to his attention from any source who attended the party.

Doctor R [REDACTED] said that he did not know if any security guards were present in the Venetian Room or if invitations had been required to gain entry there; however, this information would be readily available at his campaign headquarters in Los Angeles.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.Date July 5, 1968

Mrs. L [REDACTED] F [REDACTED], advised that she is the wife of B [REDACTED] F [REDACTED], who is a Special Assistant to Dr. M [REDACTED] of the California Department of Education, and that she attended a party and victory celebration for Doctor R [REDACTED] in the Venetian Room of The Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on the night of June 4-5, 1968.

She recalled that at approximately midnight, Doctor R [REDACTED] appeared before television cameras in the Venetian Room to deliver a victory speech following his apparent winning of the election.

Approximately ten minutes prior to this time, she observed a person in the middle of the Venetian Room whom she believed resembled SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. This person was wearing light-colored trousers and a blue, lightweight nylon jacket, zipped up the front. She did not know any other person who noticed this individual or if he was accompanied by anyone else, and she did not see him again. She stated she only had a fleeting glance at this person but remembered him because he appeared to be a Mexican or similar minority racial group member. She said he appeared to be tired and thought at the time that he was one of several young people who had been working as stagehands and helpers in the Venetian Room.

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Y [REDACTED] B [REDACTED], 1828 Prosser Avenue, Los Angeles, California was contacted at her place of employment, Radio News West, 417 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, California, and voluntarily advised as follows:

On the night of June 4, 1968, she was working at the Ambassador Hotel assisting in handling Wire Service and Tape Services for Radio News West in reporting activities from the campaign headquarters of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, A [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] and M [REDACTED] R [REDACTED]. She was working in all three headquarters from time to time and was also in the Embassy Room on three occasions

She advised she was working in the Garden Room at the Ambassador, which was R [REDACTED] headquarters, when she heard the news that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Upon hearing this she left the Garden Room and attempted to go to the Embassy Room. She stated the corridor was extremely crowded and when she got to the entrance to the Embassy Room, the guards at the door would not allow her or anyone else to enter the Embassy Room. She advised she did not witness the shooting nor did she see the person doing the shooting.

She stated that earlier in the evening, approximately thirty minutes before Senator KENNEDY arrived at the Embassy Room, she went to the Embassy Room to see if her associate, S [REDACTED] M [REDACTED], needed any assistance. When she arrived at the Embassy Room, she was directed to enter through the kitchen entrance, which she did. She recalled the kitchen area was extremely crowded and there were many people standing in the foyer between the kitchen and the Embassy Room. She does not recall the description or appearance of any of the persons she saw and does not recall seeing anyone in particular. She could not find S [REDACTED] and left the Embassy Room leaving by the kitchen door. She returned on two other occasions prior to the arrival of Senator KENNEDY, but could not locate S [REDACTED] so she, B [REDACTED], returned to R [REDACTED] headquarters, where she was when she heard about the shooting.

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B█████ stated she could furnish no first-hand information regarding the shooting or the assassin.

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V [REDACTED] B [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
telephone [REDACTED] advised she, along with P. [REDACTED] R. [REDACTED]
and several others, manned the press table at the R [REDACTED]
Headquarters in the Ambassador Hotel the night of June 4,
1968. She does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN by description and
could not recognize his photograph. She further stated
that she has no knowledge of an incident involving a \$20 tip.

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Miss G [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] American Airline Reservation Saleswoman, 140 Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts, who resides at 277 West Street, Reading, Massachusetts, furnished the following information:

She formerly worked for American Airlines at Los Angeles, and while there became a close friend of P [REDACTED] R [REDACTED], Press Secretary of Dr. M [REDACTED] R [REDACTED] State Superintendent of Instruction, who was running for, and subsequently won the nomination for U.S. Senator from California. At the request of R [REDACTED], she went to Los Angeles and assisted in the campaign of R [REDACTED].

She was at the R [REDACTED] Headquarters the night of the California Primary collecting and circulating complimentary drink tickets. During the course of the evening she was unable to recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN or to recall an incident involving a \$20.00 tip by SIRHAN or by any other individual at the bar at the R [REDACTED] Headquarters on the night of the California primary, June 4, 1968.

Miss B [REDACTED] stated she had observed newspaper photographs of SIRHAN since that date and used them as a basis for above information.

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(telephonically)

by SA T [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] Date dictated 7/5/68

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J. [REDACTED] C. [REDACTED] advised he is an employee of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and was present in the R. [REDACTED] for Senator Room and the adjacent anteroom the night of June 4, 1968. He recalled no incident involving a \$20 tip.

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A [REDACTED] D [REDACTED] was interviewed at her residence, [REDACTED] Los Angeles, telephone [REDACTED]. She advised she was one of the "Rafferty Girls" on duty at RAFFERTY Headquarters the night of June 4, 1968, and she does not recognize SIRHAN SIRHAN by description or photograph. She has no knowledge of any incident involving a \$20 tip.

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