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Mrs. VAN ANTWERP were both of the opinion that he was probably beginning a week or month long drunk. He advised that his wife could be contacted at 2591 Hamner. He stated that he did not recall this SAUL SIRHAN and had no conversations with him.

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On June 6, 1968, ANNA JEANNE VAN ANTWERP was contacted at her home, 1184 Fourth Street in Norco, California. She advised that she and EDWARD VAN ANTWERP had been together since about February of 1967. She said he had never mentioned a SAUL SIRHAN or a SIRHAN SIRHAN. She advised that EDWARD was an alcoholic and had been "dry" for about six months. He had been working at Thermal Chemergy, phone number 628-1813, an Ontario number, and had gone to work on the morning of June 4, 1968. He worked for a Mr. DINWITTY and a BERT RILEY. He ran a skiploader and handled general repair work.

Mrs. VAN ANTWERP advised that she had called friends and relatives in the entire area and that she had not been able to locate EDWARD. She said she had called his employment and talked extensively to BERT RILEY who told her he had appeared for work on the morning of June 4, 1968, and that about nine or ten o'clock, he had sent him from one area of work to another and that he never showed up at the other place. He was driving his 1957 blue pickup with California license number unknown. She advised that he had been dry since December of 1967, and that she was afraid that he was starting on a drunk. She said that sometimes his drunken bouts lasted for as much as a month and that he ordinarily ended up in the hospital. She said that there was a trailer owned by some friends of theirs in the desert near Joshua Tree, California, and she would check this trailer out late this afternoon and tonight. She advised that if and when she located EDWARD, she would immediately contact the FBI.

She advised that EDWARD had never mentioned any type of politics and that he was not registered to vote. She advised that he had not been arrested at any time to her knowledge, and that he had never attended any meetings or organizations of any kind. She said that he probably did not even give it a thought that the liquor stores and bars would be closed on Election Day. She advised that he had not even had a drink of liquor of any kind since December and that he could not take one drink or he continued on and on.

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Mrs. GENEVIEVE TAYLOR, 2591 Hamner, Norco, California, advised that she was the sister of EDWARD VAN ANTWERP. She advised that in the summer of 1966, she had rented a motel room for her brother EDWARD at the Highlander Motel on Hamner. She advised that this was about May or the first of June, 1966. She said that he told her he was sitting on the front porch and SAUL SIRHAN came to the motel looking for a room as he had just begun work in this area. No rooms were available and as SIRHAN was leaving the motel, EDWARD invited him to stay with him as EDWARD was lonesome. Mrs. TAYLOR said EDWARD and SIRHAN lived at the motel for approximately six weeks then stayed at a small house rented from Mrs. ROWNDS. She said that SIRHAN continued to live with EDWARD until sometime about December of 1966. She said that SIRHAN was very polite and acted a complete gentleman at all times. She said that he was practically a nursemaid for EDWARD and would take care of him during his drunks and would call her whenever EDWARD became ill from his drinking or if he was in some place and could not get home. She said the only meetings or organizations that she recalls SIRHAN ever attending was when he took EDWARD to a couple of Alcoholic Anonymous meetings and attempted to get EDWARD straightened out regarding his drinking. She said she never had any political discussions and never heard him mention any particular gripes about any part of the Government or any part of the country.

Mrs. TAYLOR said that she had been calling various places and friends in an effort to locate EDWARD. She said that EDWARD went to work on the morning of June 4, 1968, but that a short time after being at work, he had disappeared and his wife, JEANNE GREEN VAN ANTWERP had not been able to locate him. She said that he had been working for Thermal Chemergy located on Helman Road just south of Chino, California. She said she did not know the address, but this place was located near what was known as the Chino Dung Farm.

She gave the full name of EDWARD as EDWARD SHIRLEY VAN ANTWERP. He is white, male, 5'6" or 5'7", 135 pounds, born  Last known to be driving a 1956 or 1957 blue

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Chevrolet pickup. She advised that EDWARD had never been a member of any organization and had never had any political ideas or entered into any discussions of a political nature whatsoever. She said that he had never been arrested to her knowledge.

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On the morning of June 7, 1968, Mrs. VAN ANTWERP contacted SA LANFORD L. BLANTON by phone and advised that she had checked out the desert cabin and had not found EDWARD VAN ANTWERP. She advised that she had also called his brother, JACK VAN ANTWERP, at 877-2938 in San Bernardino County and that he had not seen EDWARD at any place. She said that EDWARD usually carried \$300 or \$400 in cash with him and that when he started on a drinking bout, he would go to a small motel somewhere, buy his liquor, and drink alone. She said he usually ended up in the hospital and that she would start to contact the hospitals. She again said that if she found EDWARD, she would immediately notify SA LANFORD L. BLANTON.

It is noted that the address listed for TERRY M. WELCH when he was with the Granja Vista Del Rio Farms was 392 Cota in Corona. On June 5, 1968, by observation, it was noted there was no 392 Cota, 1392 Cota, 293 Cota, 932 Cota, or 923 Cota in Corona. There was also no record regarding WELCH at the Corona Police Department.

There was a record located at the Riverside County Sheriff's Office regarding one TERRY MICKEY WELCH listed as a horse trainer and he was arrested on December 6, 1965. This arrest was for drunk in public. He has FBI Number [REDACTED] This arrest was the last contact in Riverside County. The arrest was made at the Long Branch Saloon in Temecula, California. At that time, he was employed by the Circle "W" Bar Ranch in the Temecula area. He gave his date of birth as [REDACTED] height 5'9", 140 pounds. WELCH listed his nearest relative as ROLLIE WELCH, a brother, whose address he gave as the Sheriff's Department, Main Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan. He did list one other address for himself, as 428 River Street, Northville, Michigan.

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LINDA SEABOLT was contacted at the Norco High School where she is employed in a clerical position. Her home is 1288 Second Street in Norco. LINDA advised that she worked at the Granja Vista Del Rio Farms for about two and one half months in the summer of 1966. She advised that she and JANICE BUCY knew SIRHAN SIRHAN as SOL SIRHAN during this summer. He was employed as an exercise boy, along with TERRY WELCH, an unrecalled Mexican boy, and her and JANICE. She recalled he lived in some small apartments she believed to be near the corner of Fifth and Hamner in Norco. She believes that he lived alone most of this time. She said that he had no close friends at the farm, because he was very argumentative and seemed to be sullen and sarcastic in most of his comments. She recalled he was teased quite often by TERRY WELCH and by the Mexican boy, and that they did not associate with each other very much. She said SIRHAN made a good first impression, as he was neat and clean, had a good vocabulary, and used good English. She advised that after knowing him for awhile, it became apparent that he had a strong temper that he could not control ~~it~~ around animals ~~that~~ that he was egotistical in that he thought he was a good rider and was going to become a jockey, but he was not, in fact, a good rider. She advised that he was not a hard worker and appeared lazy to her. She said they had no particular discussions of a sociological or political nature, and she had very little information concerning his morals or his particular outlook on political life. She said that he did use foul language on many occasions in the presence of both girls and men, and that he was generally of a belligerent nature. She said that he did not have any girl friends that she knew of in this area and that he traveled to Pasadena on most weekends. She said he had an old model car, make unknown, when he was working in this area.

LINDA is certain that he was not well acquainted with PEGGY OSTERKAMP and that he never dated her. She advised that she has known PEGGY for several years and that she had

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never heard PEGGY mention this person. She said that she did recall that SIRHAN mentioned PEGGY on several occasions and believed that he was an admirer of hers because, as LINDA pointed out, PEGGY was a very attractive person.

LINDA is a white female, 5'3", 105 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes, born

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GHALEB MOHAMMAD BADRAN, also known as Ghaleb Muhd Ahmad Badran, Apartment 7, 5733 Benner Street, Highland Park section, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his apartment home.

BADRAN advised that he entered the United States at New York on January 31, 1961, on a non-immigrant visa as a student, passport number [REDACTED]

BADRAN stated that immediately after arriving in Los Angeles in February 1961, he enrolled as a student at Pacific College, Los Angeles, California. He stated that he subsequently attended Pasadena City College (PCC) from September 1961, until June 1963, and is currently enrolled as a student in Television Speech and Arts at Columbia College, 2328 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, California.

BADRAN advised that he was employed part-time as a salesman for the Broadway Department Stores at the Pasadena and Crenshaw Stores, from September 1965, until February 1968. He stated he is now employed as a salesman by the Silwani Company, an import gift shop owned by his uncle, MUSTAFA SIAM, at 6519 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

BADRAN advised that he first met SIRHAN SIRHAN at PCC where they both were students. He stated he believes that he met SIRHAN in the fall of 1963. He stated that he does not recall who introduced him to SIRHAN but that he is sure that he met him at the International Club at the college, which club is an association of American and foreign students primarily established for social activities.

He stated that he has, on occasion, had coffee with SIRHAN at the college. He stated that he has never socialized with SIRHAN and has only been in his company by chance meetings at activities off the campus with one exception; that exception being a time, after learning that SIRHAN was interested

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in horses and horse racing, -when he decided to go with SIRHAN to the Santa Anita Race Track at Arcadia, California. He stated that he has seen SIRHAN on a number of occasions at the Santa Anita Race Track.

He stated that he thought SIRHAN to be a very intelligent, quiet and nice mannered individual.

He stated that he discussed politics very little with SIRHAN and never discussed the Arabic - Israeli War with him. He stated that their conversations always were about horses.

BADRAN stated that he was watching television at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot, however, he did not learn who the alleged assassin was until sometime the next morning when he heard this news on television.

BADRAN stated that he was shocked upon learning that the alleged assassin was SIRHAN SIRHAN.

BADRAN stated that he last saw SIRHAN SIRHAN at the Santa Anita Race Track in February 1968.

BADRAN stated that in his limited association with SIRHAN, he has never heard SIRHAN express any resentment or animosity towards either Senator KENNEDY or the United States Government.

BADRAN stated that he does not know of any girl friends or close friends or associates of SIRHAN.

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CAROL FRANCIS NEAL was interviewed at her residence, 12252 Ellen, Garden Grove, California, telephone 636-1086, and she advised as follows:

SIRHAN SIRHAN is known to her in that he was a student in her third period social studies class, which consisted of politics and geography, and her fourth period English class at the Elliot Junior High School located on North Lake Street, Altadena, California. She and SIRHAN attended these classes from September 1959, to June 1960. Mr. SAM SOGOHOMIAN was the instructor of the third period class and Mrs. FITZGERALD was the instructor of the fourth period class. FITZGERALD's first name is unrecalled. There were about 30 to 35 pupils in both classes. She could only recall the following other students in these classes:

CAROL SPRUNG, address unknown. Her mother operates an upholstery shop on Woodbury at Los Robles in Pasadena.

ROGER ELLIOT, address unknown, however resided Altadena, California.

BONNIE BRABBS, address unknown.

The above students transferred to the John Muir High School, Pasadena, California.

She regarded SIRHAN as an odd person. SIRHAN did not associate with the other students. He did not go with any of the girls to her knowledge. He did not attend dances or school games. He is not believed to have held a student body card and he did not obtain a school annual.

SIRHAN frequently argued with Mr. SOGOHOMIAN in class and if not called upon during discussions he would wave his hand and snap his fingers when he desired to express his views. She does not recall anything specific SIRHAN

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might have said against the United States and its government, however, when the United States was discussed SIRHAN was forever comparing his country with the United States, and as she recalled she thought his country was Syria. SIRHAN gave the impression he did not care about the United States, and she wondered why he did not go back to his own country.

She recalled that SIRHAN was considered quite intelligent. She stated that the students prepared term papers about countries and she believes SIRHAN wrote about his own country. She recalled that MR. SOGOHOMIAN kept SIRHAN's term paper to display to future students as an example. She said that SIRHAN was neat and meticulous about his homework.

She recalled that SIRHAN appeared to be very gentlemanly and that if a girl dropped her pencil he would immediately pick it up.

She stated that SIRHAN, during the third period sat in the first seat of the first row from the door of the room, and he sat in front because he could not see too well.

She stated that SIRHAN usually wore long sleeve plaid shirts rolled up a couple times, his shoes were always scuffed, his hair was uncombed and he gave the impression that he did not have access to a lot of money.

She stated that she transferred to the John Muir High School and attended this school from September 1960, to June 1961, and SIRHAN was also attending this school but she does not recall him being in any of her classes.

She was shown two photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN one being Los Angeles Police Department Number [REDACTED] taken June 5, 1968, and she stated this person is identical to the person mentioned herein.

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GWENDALEE GUM was interviewed at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. JOHN D. GUM, 1009 North Ninth Street, Arcadia, California. The telephone number at her residence is 447-3744. Miss GUM advised that she was born on [redacted] at Long Beach, California, and that, although she was presently residing with her parents, this was only a temporary situation while she recovered from a knee operation. She advised her permanent address is 150 East Highland, Apartment E, Sierra Madre, California.

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Miss GUM advised she did know SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and that she met him in May 1964 when she was running for "Carnival Queen" at Pasadena City College. She stated that she was sitting in a booth on the campus collecting votes for the queen contest. She explained she got votes for each penny that was donated in her name in the contest, and that, while she was sitting in the booth, SIRHAN came up and put a \$10.00 bill in the collection jar. She stated that, after that time, she saw him periodically on the campus and they would sit together with another group of fellow students drinking coffee or just visiting and talking.

Miss GUM stated she never had any dates with SIRHAN although he asked her out on several occasions and called her several times at her home. She stated that, while at school, her impression of him was that he was very well mannered and treated everyone courteously and with respect. She stated he always had plenty of money and seemed to enjoy spending it on others. She said he was very quiet and did not to her recollection discuss politics during these visits with her and her friends, but that she got the general impression of his being anti-Jewish, although she could furnish no specific incidents which led her to thus believe. She stated he had not impressed her as someone who was very ill-tempered and that the only time she remembered him being upset or angry was when

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someone would say something bad about the country of Jordan.

Miss GUM advised she last saw SIRHAN approximately 1½ years ago at the Santa Anita Race Track in Arcadia, California, where he was apparently working as a groom and apprentice jockey. She said she believed that, prior to that time, he had worked at a gas station somewhere in the Arcadia area. Miss GUM advised, after this encounter and short visit with him at the Santa Anita Race Track, SIRHAN called her home numerous times to visit with her by phone and also to ask her for dates; however, she stated that she did not have any dates with him as she always had something else to do when he asked. She stated he also came by her house and drove around the block several times on numerous occasions but did not stop and come in. She recalls that she thought he had been driving an old model green-colored Cadillac.

Miss GUM advised she did not think SIRHAN to be a violent or dangerous individual when she knew him and that she only remembered him losing his temper on a few occasions when offended by someone else's bad manners or lack of social graces. In these instances, she felt that he responded more than was called for.

Miss GUM stated she could not remember any time when SIRHAN spoke to her or any of her friends concerning his political views and that she had been extremely shocked when she heard that he was a suspect in the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

Miss GUM advised that, if she recalled anything which she felt would be of importance, she would immediately contact the interviewing agents and furnish this information to them.

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Miss JANET NEILSON was interviewed at her place of employment, 3925 East Huntington Drive, Pasadena. She advised that she resides at 404 Harvard Drive, Arcadia, with her parents. The telephone number at her home is 447-4974. She stated she was born in Los Angeles, California on

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JANET stated that she met SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in 1964 while she was a Freshman at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California. She stated that they were both in a Freshman Biology class and that, on several occasions, SIRHAN asked her questions about the course or perhaps would borrow some information from her notes. She further stated that, during that semester of school, she saw him again several times when he would have a cup of coffee with her and some of her friends on the Pasadena City College campus. She stated that she did not know him at all on social basis as she never dated him or saw him on any occasion other than at school.

She advised that he always appeared to be a very quiet, well mannered individual, but that for some reason he gave the impression of being very troubled. She stated that she never heard him mention anything at all about politics or any dislike for any special group of people or individuals. She further added that he seemed to be very intelligent and well spoken and always treated her very courteously. She advised that she did not know what his nationality was and that she did not realize that he was an Arab until she heard his name announced on the television in connection with the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and she realized at that time that this was the individual she had known at school.

JANET advised that, after the first semester in 1964, the only contact she had with SIRHAN was to greet him cordially as they met on the Pasadena City College campus. She said that she graduated from that

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school in June of 1966 and that since that time she has neither seen nor heard of SIRHAN until she heard his name in the news.

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On June 6, 1968, DAVOR PEVEC, who stated he is known as DAVE PEVEC, was interviewed at his residence, 1126 North Mentor Avenue, Pasadena. He stated he had been acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN since the summer of 1959. They had been close friends during their mutual attendance at George Washington Junior High School, Pasadena. PEVEC stated that they had also delivered newspapers for the Pasadena Independent newspaper at that time, resided approximately one block from each other, and visited each other in their homes. He stated at that time they were too young to be interested in politics or to discuss adult matters. He stated their close friendship ended when he attended St. Francis Catholic High School, Pasadena, and SIRHAN attended Muir High School. PEVEC again met SIRHAN when they took the same English course at Pasadena City College (PCC) in 1965; however, they did not resume a close association because of a difference in their interests and friends. He stated he had never discussed political, social, or economic matters with SIRHAN and did not know his feelings in this regard. PEVEC stated their relationship at PCC consisted of saying hello to each other when they met. He stated he had always considered SIRHAN an honest and thoughtful person during the time he knew him. He stated he and SIRHAN engaged in the normal number of fights with other boys during their early acquaintance and SIRHAN indicated he was frequently teased because he was a foreigner. SIRHAN told PEVEC that at first he did not fight back when teased and would allow himself to be beaten, but later on learned how to fight and usually won his fights. PEVEC stated SIRHAN was strong, of wiry build, and of average height during this period.

He stated SIRHAN was strongly nationalistic and had pride in his Arabic origin. He was sure SIRHAN had told him he was born in Egypt and was surprised when he read in the newspaper he had been born in Palestine.

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PEVEC could not think of any reason other than national pride to explain SIRHAN's alleged action in the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and stated he did not consider SIRHAN the type of person capable of killing anyone.

PEVEC stated he had just finished attending Santa Barbara City College, Santa Barbara, California, and would reside one more week at 6763 Abrego, No. 15, Goleta, California, telephone No. 968-0097, after which he would reside at his parents' home during the summer.

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JOHN SHEAR, Paddock Guard, Hollywood Park Race Track, advised he lives at 526 West Huntington, Arcadia, California, telephone 446-5606. He was born in England and has been in the United States 20 years. He works at the race track during the season, now through July 22, 1968, from 11:00 AM to the last race.

He advised in 1965, he was working at Santa Anita Race Track and SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN worked there as a hot-walker, one who cools down horses after a race or a workout. SHEAR knew SIRHAN all through the 1965 racing season at Santa Anita. SIRHAN, after that, went to work hot-walking horses at the Los Angeles County Fair in Pomona. At this time, SHEAR was working for trainer GORDON BOWSHER, (phonetic) and SHEAR was BOWSHER's foreman with supervision over SIRHAN. BOWSHER would not have personally known SIRHAN. SHEAR states that SIRHAN wanted to be a jockey and SHEAR did not believe SIRHAN had the disposition, so recommended he become an exercise boy. SHEAR loaned SIRHAN books and tack to learn to be a rider and let SIRHAN work with a non-thoroughbred pony to learn to ride. SIRHAN was a poor rider, was constantly being thrown or would fall from various horses.

After this, SIRHAN went to work for REX ELLSWORTH, a horse owner, of 3985 Schaefer Avenue, Chino, California. SIRHAN then returned to the Los Angeles area and worked at Hollywood Park for LYNN WHEELER galloping horses during the 1966 season. WHEELER finally laid him off.

SHEAR saw SIRHAN at the track, as a customer, in March 1968, and did not talk to him.

SHEAR does not recall SIRHAN having any friends. He was driven to and picked up at Santa Anita by a brother. SHEAR recalled one discussion where SIRHAN became incensed during a discussion of Jews in the Arab countries. SIRHAN

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was well versed in American politics, knew names of members of Congress well. SIRHAN appeared very intelligent and may have had a degree in mathematics. He did not smoke, drink, swear, and apparently did not have many girl friends. SHEAR recalls SIRHAN as a very stable person.

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ROBERT LYNN WHEELER, Horse Trainer for PAUL PALMER and CAROL BOHM, residence 750 Oakdale, Monrovia, telephone 359-2719, was interviewed at Hollywood Park Race Track. He works with his father, ROBERT LAWRENCE WHEELER, 1101 Norumbega, Monrovia, telephone 357-2921.

WHEELER met SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at the "Grande Vista Horse Farm" in Corona, California, in 1966 when SIRHAN was working as an exercise boy. He knew SIRHAN for about five months, from September 1966, to January 1967. He described SIRHAN as a nice person, never smoked, drank, or swore, was well educated and was well informed on American politics. He believed SIRHAN was a real gentleman. He recalled one time, SIRHAN lost his temper when dealing with a horse. WHEELER explained he thought some horses were stupid and from time to time, persons working around horses lose their tempers. On this one occasion, he came upon SIRHAN who was kicking and hitting a horse with his fists. SIRHAN was in a rage of temper. WHEELER interceded and called SIRHAN, who immediately stopped and then said as way of explanation, "Mr. Wheeler, the horse provoked me". WHEELER felt this statement was a different way of putting the complaint against the horse's actions.

WHEELER states SIRHAN told him that SIRHAN came to the United States to study law and get into politics, but that SIRHAN became interested in horses and becoming a jockey. WHEELER said he could not keep SIRHAN because he kept falling off of horses and was not a good rider.

He has not seen SIRHAN since January 1967.

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JERRY NORRIS, Trainer of horses at Granja Vista Del Rio Farm, 13200 Citrus and Norco, and whose home address is 18211 Stover, Bloomington, California, was contacted at his work. He advised that he came to this job in October of 1966. He recalled SIRHAN SIRHAN being at the farm at this time, and knew him as SOL SIRHAN. SIRHAN was an exercise boy until about the middle of December of 1966. He recalled he lived somewhere in the local area of Norco or Corona, California. He does not recall exactly with whom he lived, if anyone. He does recall there was a TERRY WELCH who lives out of town and that they worked together quite often. He remembers that SIRHAN was discharged from his job here, and he went to the Santa Anita Race Track and worked for WARNER ROBERT LYNN WHEELER, who was a trainer at the Santa Anita Race Track at that time. He has not heard of SIRHAN's activity in at least a year. He advised that he has not heard or seen TERRY WELCH in at least a year. He said the last he heard the Sheriff of Riverside County was looking for TERRY WELCH.

Mr. NORRIS advised that he had no discussions with SIRHAN other than to give him instructions as an exercise boy. He said that SIRHAN desired to watch him as he worked. He stated that SIRHAN desired to be a jockey and that he, Mr. NORRIS did not believe he could be a jockey as he could not make the grade of a jockey as he was not good around horses, and seemed to be somewhat frightened of them. He advised that this certainly would not be a good disposition for a jockey.

Mr. NORRIS advised that he recalled that when he came here in October that SIRHAN had just returned to work after having been off a few days just after taking a fall from one of the horses. He advised that SIRHAN indicated that he was only scratched up painfully. He had no serious injuries at that time. Mr. NORRIS advised that he did not know of any close friend of SIRHAN and that he did not seem to have any girl friends or close buddies which were usually formed at the farm.

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Mrs. CONSTANCE PRESTWOOD, 13223 Corley Drive, La Mirada, California, was located at her place of employment, Ramyr, 6750 Caballero, Artesia, California, at which time she advised she met SIRHAN SIRHAN in early 1966. She said that when she met SIRHAN, he was employed as an exercise boy at Granja Vista Del Rio boarding and training stable for thoroughbred horses in Norco, California

Mrs. PRESTWOOD said that SIRHAN was introduced to her by the trainer, whose name she cannot recall, as SOL SIRHAN. She said SIRHAN later advised her his name was actually SIRHAN SIRHAN.

Mrs. PRESTWOOD said that she took her thoroughbred horse, Jet Spec, to Granja Vista Del Rio for training, and SIRHAN exercised the horse. Mrs. PRESTWOOD said that SIRHAN was not paid by her but was paid by BURT ALTFILISH (phonetic), who is the owner of Granja Vista Del Rio. She said that she went to Granja Vista Del Rio about twice a week to check on her horse, and she would talk with SIRHAN each time. She said that SIRHAN was always courteous and polite and appeared not to be excitable. She said that her conversations with SIRHAN were always confined to her horse or horse racing in general. She said that SIRHAN never spoke of his political views, friends or associates. She stated that SIRHAN had mentioned that he resided in Pasadena, California, with his mother.

Mrs. PRESTWOOD stated that she had never seen or visited with any of SIRHAN's family.

Mrs. PRESTWOOD stated that the only additional information she has regarding SIRHAN is that she believes he drove a Volkswagen automobile on one occasion when he came to her home.

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by SA's JAMES E. ETHRIDGE and \_\_\_\_\_  
VERNON E. JOSSY (JEE:jmk) \_\_\_\_\_  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/8/68

RAYMOND SICHTER, 485 River Road, Apartment D, Corona, California, telephone 737-2977, telephonically advised at 9:30 a.m. as follows:

SICHTER advised that he was formerly employed as a gardener at the Granja Vista Del Rio Ranch in Corona and had known SIRHAN SIRHAN who was also employed there as an exercise boy. SICHTER stated that in his duties as a gardener, he would see SIRHAN at the ranch barn about twice a week and would engage in casual conversation with him. He said the conversations were generally about horses and cars and that SIRHAN never indicated to him any political ideas.

SICHTER related that on April 20, 1968, SIRHAN came to his present address and inquired about the whereabouts of FRANK (LNU) who used to be the headwaiter at the ranch. SICHTER stated he told SIRHAN he did not know where FRANK went to after he left the ranch. SIRHAN did not indicate to SICHTER the reason he was looking for FRANK.

SICHTER also related that he and SIRHAN had similar automobiles, 1956 Desoto two-door hardtop, pink and white in color, and that SIRHAN used to live with a married couple on Cota Street, which is around the corner from his, SICHTER's, address.

He said he did not know the couple's name SIRHAN lived with but that the wife is a waitress at the Pancake House in Corona, and the husband works at a ranch. SICHTER concluded he had no information other than what he related concerning SIRHAN about his habits, likes or dislikes, or girl friends.

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by SA HECTOR L. PELLEGGATTA:jmk Date dictated 6/8/68

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/8/68

Mrs. BETTY EVELYN JOHNSTON, 295 South San Rafael, Pasadena, California, advised that she and her husband, ELWOOD B. JOHNSTON, own several race horses and also are owners of a ranch at 1550 East Locust, Ontario, California, which is managed by her son, BUD JOHNSTON.

Mrs. JOHNSTON was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, which she recognized from recent news reports regarding the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She advised, however, to her recollection that she had never seen the individual depicted on the photograph.

As an explanation as to how SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN knew of her name, she advised the Monday, June 3, 1968, issue of the "Daily Racing Form" published in Los Angeles, California, contained a photograph of her on the front page and an article regarding a horse owned by her and her husband, named "O' Lucky You, which had been victorious in races on Monday, June 3, 1968, at Golden Gate Fields Race Track, Albany, California. She was unable to explain how her name was referred to by SIRHAN, if he was referring to her, as Mrs. B. GALE JOHNSTON as that combination of names has never been used by her.

Mrs. JOHNSTON further advised that since recent news articles regarding KENNEDY's assassination and SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, she and her husband had looked at photographs of SIRHAN on television and in the newspapers and discussed him because of his connection with horse racing. Mrs. JOHNSTON advised that her husband indicated that within the past year, SIRHAN may have been employed by a trainer who occupied a stable near the JOHNSTONS' stable at Hollywood Park Race Track. She could not recall the name of the trainer or owner whom he worked for.

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Mrs. JOHNSTON, during the course of the interview, telephonically contacted her son, BUD JOHNSTON, Manager of their ranch in Ontario, California, and inquired of him if SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN had applied for or worked on the ranch. Her son, BUD, advised that he had not.

Mrs. JOHNSTON made available a copy of the above referred to racing form.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

MARIO VALENZUELA, 14151 Kelford, Whittier, California, telephone number WH 1-3144, was interviewed on this date and furnished the following information:

He is a jockey who makes a living working at various race tracks in this country. He said that when he saw a picture of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspapers following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he recognized SIRHAN as an individual he had seen at Santa Anita Race Track, Arcadia, California, approximately a year and a half ago. He did not know SIRHAN's name, but stated that SIRHAN was apparently working as an exercise boy at Santa Anita. He said that he had never spoken to SIRHAN, did not know the country of his origin although he suspected that he was a Latin American. VALENZUELA stated he had never seen SIRHAN prior to this occasion and has not seen him since.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/8/68

JERRY LEWIS LAMBERT, Professional Jockey, residence address 718 Winston Avenue, Bradbury, California, was interviewed at Hollywood Park Race Track, 1050 South Prairie Street, Inglewood, California.

LAMBERT was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised that the photograph and name are totally unfamiliar to him.

LAMBERT advised that to the best of his recollection, he has never had any contact or association with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/7/681

HENRY J. RUTHHARDT, JR., Manager, Broughton's Used Book Store, 201 North Lake Street, Pasadena, was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised that SIRHAN had been in his store at least six times over the last five or six months. He stated that SIRHAN was always in the store alone, and that the books he read were usually on metaphysics. SIRHAN would usually read a book for about an hour and then buy one or two. RUTHHARDT had no listing of any of the books that SIRHAN had purchased. SIRHAN put in a standing order for books on the practice of black magic and alchemy, but Broughton's Store never had any such books. RUTHHARDT advised that SIRHAN was very quiet and never had much to say. He had no further information on SIRHAN.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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On June 6, 1968, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH PEVEC, 1126 North Mentor Avenue, Pasadena, California, advised they had been acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN when he was approximately thirteen to fourteen years old, when he and their son, DAVOR PEVEC, had been friends and had delivered newspapers for the Pasadena Independent newspaper. They stated they considered SIRHAN a very polite and well-mannered boy who never caused any trouble and who seemed to have his temper and emotions well under control. They stated that outside of having a strong pride in his Arabic origin, they could think of no motive for his action in killing Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. They stated they had never heard him make any political, social, or economic statements of opinion during the time they knew him, and did not see him after he and their son started attending different high schools in Pasadena.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/7/681

JAKE TINGLEY, 58 South Lake Street, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

He has seen SIRHAN SIRHAN in Broughton's Book Store, 201 North Lake, Pasadena, California, several times over the last few months. This would usually be around noon, Monday through Friday. SIRHAN would always be in the philosophy and psychology section of the book store, and he was always alone. TINGLEY advised that he never spoke to SIRHAN. He saw SIRHAN several times get into his car, which was an old pink and white Chrysler Corporation model, possibly a 1959. TINGLEY further advised that he goes into many of the book stores in the Lake Street area but he never saw SIRHAN in any of the other stores. TINGLEY was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and stated that he was positive that this was the man he had seen in Broughton's Book Store.

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