

TO: CG, USAINTC, FT HOLABIRD, MD, FOR ICOP-IV

INFO: CG, SIXTH US ARMY, PSFC, FOR DCSINT

CMDR, SACTO FO FOR PASS TO AG CANG, ATTN: 19 MAY 1968

UNCLAS FOUO

SUBJECT: SPOT REPORT

6 JUNE 1968

1. LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICE, REGION II, 115TH MI GROUP

2. 115-8158-025

3. WILLIAM FREDERICK CROSSON

4. 115-8158-024

5. 6 JUNE 1968, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

6. WILLIAM FREDERICK CROSSON

7. THE INDIVIDUAL ARRESTED BY THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THREATENING THE LIVES OF THE KENNEDY FAMILY HAD A DRIVER'S LICENSE IN HIS POSSESSION WHICH INDICATED THAT HIS NAME WAS WILLIAM FREDERICK CROSSON. HE TOLD THE POLICE THAT HIS NAME WAS HARRY WILLIAMS. CROSSON WAS ARRESTED BY THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT (LAPD) AT A BAR ON CENTURY BOULEVARD NEAR THE AIRPORT--NOT AT THE AIRPORT, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. HE HAD BEEN MAKING ORAL THREATS AGAINST THE FBI, THE SECRET SERVICE, AND THE KENNEDY FAMILY AT THE AIRPORT AND AT THE BAR IN WHICH HE WAS ARRESTED. HE WAS UNARMED AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST. A HYPODERMIC NEEDLE WAS IN HIS POSSESSION AT THE TIME OF ARREST. HE IS PRESENTLY BEING HELD IN CUSTODY BY THE LAPD FOR THE FBI. HE HAS NOT BEEN BOOKED BY LAPD AS YET. CROSSON ALSO HAD AN EIGHT PAGE TELEGRAM IN HIS POSSESSION WHICH HAD BEEN SENT TO "MR. WASHINGTON," SENTINAL NEWS, 1112 EAST 43RD STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. CROSSON IS IDENTIFIED AS A MALE CAUCASIAN, DOB: 9 MAY 1922, 5'8", 220 POUNDS. NO FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

8. UNKNOWN

9. 061430 PDT JUNE 1968 VIA AUTOVON

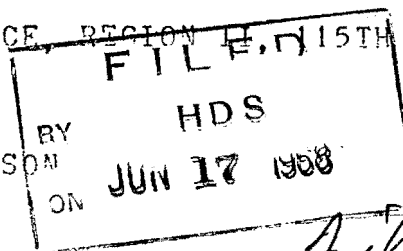
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11. LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

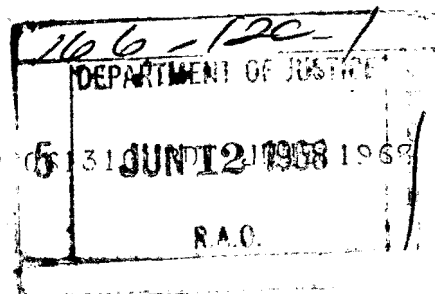
12. R-3

13. 061255 PDT JUNE 1968 (CRAIG)

14. THE PRESIDENTIAL PLANE CARRYING SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY'S BODY BACK TO NEW YORK CITY DEPARTED LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT 1326 HOURS PDT. THE FLIGHT IS EXPECTED TO TAKE 5 HOURS AND TEN MINUTES. THE EXPECTED TIME OF ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK CITY IS 2136 HOURS EDT. THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS AT THE AIRPORT. APPROXIMATELY 750 PERSONS WERE QUIETLY ASSEMBLED THERE PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT DISBANDED ITS TACTICAL ALERT CENTER AT THE LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT 1345 HOURS PDT. AT APPROXIMATELY 1300 HOURS PDT, THE TACTICAL ALERT CENTER ESTABLISHED AT THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL WAS DISBANDED.



( ) Maroney  
( ) Keuch  
( ) Burns  
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( ) Hayden  
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CO, 115TH MI GROUP, PSEC

TO: CG, USAINTC, FT HOLABIRD, MD, FOR ICOP-IV

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CMDR, SACTO FO FOR PASS TO AG CANG, ATTN: MAJ MARIANO

SUBJECT: SPOT REPORT

6 JUNE 1968

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1. LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICE, REGION II, 115TH MI GROUP (CI)

2. 115-8158-024

3. SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

4. 115-8157-023

5. 6 JUNE 1968, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

6. UNKNOWN

7. A. THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS ISSUED AN ALL POINTS BULLETIN FOR A FEMALE CAUCASIAN, AGE 23-27, HEIGHT 5'6", WHO WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN ACCOMPANYING SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

B. THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTED AN, AS YET, UNIDENTIFIED MALE SUSPECT APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL PLANE AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THE SUSPECT STATED THAT IT WAS HIS INTENTION TO KILL THE REMAINDER OF THE KENNEDY FAMILY. IT WAS NOT KNOWN BY THE AGENT ON THE SCENE IF THE SUSPECT WAS ARMED. THE AGENT ON THE SCENE DID NOT SEE THE ARREST PERSONALLY. THE SUSPECT WAS TAKEN TO A POLICE SUB-STATION AT THE AIRPORT, AND HE IS PRESENTLY BEING INTERROGATED BY THE INTELLIGENCE DIVISION OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE ARREST WAS MADE AT APPROXIMATELY 1100 HOURS PDT, 6 JUNE 1968.

8. UNKNOWN

9. 051250 PDT JUNE 1968 VIA AUTOVON

10. REPORTED TO HEADQUARTERS, 115TH MI GROUP 061125 PDT JUNE 1968

11. A. LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
B. CASUAL

12. A. B-2  
B. B-3

13. A. 061115 PDT JUNE 1968 (LEEDS)  
B. 061120 PDT JUNE 1968 (CRAIG)

14. FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED UPON RECEIPT.

146-12C-1  
DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
JUN 7 1968

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
To

June 6, 1968

- ☐ The Solicitor General  
☒ Deputy Attorney General  
☐ Assistant Attorney General  
☐ Director, Bureau of Prisons  
☐ The Pardon Attorney  
☐ Chairman, Parole Board  
☐ Assistant Attorney General for Administration  
☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service  
☐ Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs  
☐ Office of Alien Property  
☐ Chief - Accounts Branch  
☐ Chief - Administrative Services Office  
☐ Chief of Personnel  
☐ General Litigation Section, Civil Division  
☐ Records Administration Office

Att.: ☐ Antitrust Div.    ☐ Civil Div.    ☐ Civil Rights Div.  
☐ Criminal Div.    ☐ Internal Security Div.  
☐ Inter-Division Information Unit

- ☐ A. No further action will be taken in this case in the absence of a specific request from you.
- ☐ B. Please advise what further investigation, if any, is desired in this matter.
- ☐ C. For your information, I am enclosing a communication regarding the holder of a diplomatic or international organization visa.
- ☒ D. For your information.
- ☐ E. Please note change in caption of this case.

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

cc: ☒ Attorney General    ☐ Deputy Attorney General  
☐ Antitrust Div.    ☐ Civil Div.    ☒ Civil Rights Div.  
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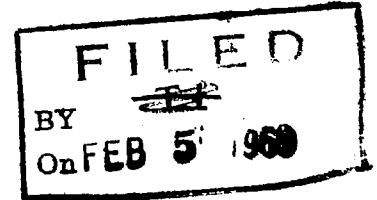
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

June 6, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF  
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

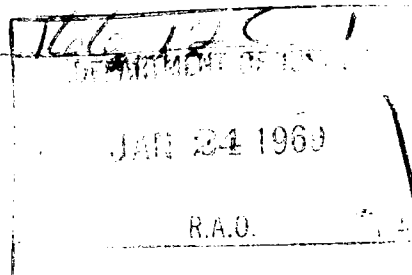


This is to advise that Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, a Jordanian national, has been identified as the individual who shot Senator Robert F. Kennedy at 12:15 a. m., Pacific Daylight Time, June 5, 1968, in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel at Los Angeles, California. The Senator subsequently died at 1:44 a. m., Pacific Daylight Time, June 6, 1968, at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles.

After the assailant was taken into custody by authorities, he refused to identify himself or otherwise discuss this matter. He was shortly thereafter charged by the Los Angeles Police Department with intent to commit murder and held on \$250,000 bond.

His brother, Adel Sirhan, notified authorities as to Sirhan's true identity. The FBI subsequently identified Sirhan's fingerprints as being identical with those of an individual by the same name which were submitted by the California State Horse Racing Board during 1965.

According to the Los Angeles Police Department, the weapon used in the assassination was an eight-shot .22 caliber Iver Johnson pistol. All eight shots were expended. Records of the California Department of Justice show this pistol to have been sold on August 10, 1965, to one Albert Leslie Hertz of Alhambra, California. It was subsequently traced by police authorities through several parties to one of Sirhan's brothers, Munir Sirhan.



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## ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, according to records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, California, was born on [redacted] in Jerusalem, Palestine. His current address was given as 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California. Immigration and Naturalization Service records show he entered this country on January 12, 1957, with his father, Bishara Salameh Ghattas Sirhan, his mother, Mary, four brothers and a sister who is now deceased. His brothers, Adel, Munir, and Saidallah, are currently shown as residing with their mother and Sirhan at 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California. The fourth brother, Sharif, is a resident of Highland Park, California. His father allegedly resides now in Jordan.

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Our Los Angeles Office reports that Sirhan Bishara Sirhan graduated from high school in Pasadena, California. He thereafter attended Pasadena City College, a junior college, for approximately two years, but did not graduate. He formerly worked as a race horse exercise boy and during September, 1966, sustained a head injury after falling from a horse. Interviews with his family indicate his behavior has changed considerably since this injury. Records of the State of California reveal he was awarded a settlement on March 27, 1968, in the sum of \$2,000. His brother, Adel, advised the assailant has been unemployed for the past three months. When taken into custody he had \$409 in cash on his person.

During a search of his room in the Pasadena family home numerous items, including notations advocating the overthrow of the President of the United States and statements alluding to the necessity for assassinating Robert F. Kennedy, were found. According to United States Attorney William Matthew Byrne, Jr., Central District of California, who had been in contact with the office of the Los Angeles County District Attorney, this material should not be disclosed publicly prior to the trial nor should it be made available to unauthorized persons since it could have a serious adverse effect upon successful prosecution in either Federal or State court. One handwritten page bearing the date May 18, 1968, 9:45 a. m., contains numerous notations among which are "My determination to eliminate RFK is becoming more the more of an unshakeable obsession." "RFK must die - RFK must be killed. Robert F. Kennedy must be assassinated." Another page contains the handwritten statement that "The so-called President of the United States

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of America will be advised of their punishments for their treasonable crimes against the state. More over we believe that the glorious United States of America will eventually be felled by a blow of an assassin's bullet. "

A third page contains the following statement. "Ambassador Goldberg must die die die. " Repeated numerous times on this same page appears "Goldberg will be illiminated. "

Page four contains the statement "Kennedy must die - Kennedy must fall," which is repeated numerous times.

Page five contains the statement that "RFK must be disposed of like his brother was. "

The statement "I advocate the overthrow of the current President of the (obscene) United States of America. I have no absolute plans yet - but soon will compose some" appears on page six.

Page seven contains the statement "Well, my solution to this type of Govt. today is to do away with its leaders and declare anarchy, the best form of Govt. or no Govt. "

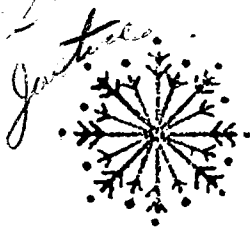
On page eight appears the statement "I believe that I can effect the death of Bert C. Altfillisch, " who was the employer of Sirhan at the time he was thrown from a horse during September, 1966.

Also appearing was the notation "Robert F. Kennedy must be assassinated before 5 June 68. "

In addition, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is an active member of the Communist Party in California advised that he received information from an associate of Sirhan's to the effect he was extremely anti-Semitic in his views, was in favor of the Vietcong and supported some Communist Party ideals. Sirhan, according to this source, had been thoroughly briefed on Communist Party activities at the University of California at Los Angeles within the last two weeks. Although it was reported to this source that an attempt had been made to recruit Sirhan into the Communist Party, Sirhan allegedly has not engaged in any Communist Party activities.

ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

Investigation by the FBI is continuing in order to determine the full facts surrounding this situation and in order to ascertain if Sirhan acted alone.



June 6-1968  
166-124 Mr

Dear Mr. Johnson  
& staff.

JUN 21 1968

Here I am again on this sad  
day for us all. God willing Mr.  
Kennedy will recover. We all feel  
this is a tragic thing. No person  
big or little in the public eye  
should be in fear & danger in  
the great U.S.A. I ~~feel~~ watched  
the T.V. this day & many friends  
have also. I believe you are looking  
for answers to cure all ~~the~~ ~~problems~~  
problems we have in the U.S.A.

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Perhaps you can't get to talk to  
the every day Joe on the streets  
Nice people some poor - middle - rich  
all races & creeds. Of people we  
know. The most clear is not to  
be wish - wash as we have become  
in the past 10 yrs. If one commits  
a crime - punishment. & thru this  
a new respect for police. We  
are children really & respect law  
& order. The young groups do not  
have this & they learn by seeing  
bonds - get off free - 30 days for  
major crimes - That would warrant  
say 1-yr - to 3 yrs in jail - When  
we see this again. We will

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see lower crime + new  
respect in the eyes. It's not the  
police - (He's doing a good job) It's  
the judges or courts. Can't you see  
this. People get off on the smallest  
of paper (technically?) As for the  
poor. Sure help them, not in  
money, but food - clothes - schools.  
I see few negro's with nice manners  
& education. Let 'em - We can't all  
have every thing or jobs we wish.  
That's life. Show the poor how to  
live - help him earn & thru this  
pride in self & family. We all

admire & workers no matter poor or  
rich - Everyone takes pride in help-  
ing this man as he is helping  
himself. These people are using  
you as an excuse for there own  
shortcomings & you are giving in,  
if only to maintain order & this  
is making it worse. If I create  
a scene will you give me what  
I want like a baby? I wonder -  
We are just average income people  
who work hard, raise kids - Go  
out for dinner on Sat nite &  
vacation once a year. I hope  
at least a few of the letters  
I write reach you.

Best Wishes,  
Deanna



1968  
Mr. Lyndon Johnson  
President U. S. A.  
Washington, D. C.

T: 9/4/68

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DJ: 166-12C-1

Mr. Mark Flomenhoft  
4522 Old York Road  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19140

Dear Mr. Flomenhoft:

SEP 27 1968

This is in reply to your correspondence dated June 6, 1968, concerning the possibility of a conspiracy in the assassination of Senator Kennedy. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Immediately following the tragic death of the late Senator, the Attorney General on June 5, 1968 made the following remarks:

Every angle of this matter will be fully investigated. No resource will be spared. According to the information I have at this moment, we have no evidence of a conspiracy; only the evidence of this individual act. But every lead will be followed. No stone will be left unturned.

The rules with respect to pre-trial publicity preclude further comment, but you may be sure that all investigative aspects have been and are being fully pursued.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

cc: Records  
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By:

GABRIEL A. GUTIERREZ  
Attorney  
Western Section

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June 6, 1968

The Honorable Ramsey Clark  
Attorney General of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

It is my earnest belief that the security of our country is directly involved in the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy, and that these security interests require a thorough interrogation of the suspect, Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, by you and your staff.

I base my contention on the following considerations. First, Sirhan is quoted as shouting at the time of the shooting, "I did it for my country." Since he has never become a citizen of the United States, his loyalty is obviously directed elsewhere. Second, four hundred dollars were found in his possession at the time of capture, a sum that strongly suggests that he had been subsidized. Third, a woman was seen in his company prior to the shooting, and afterward she is said to have boasted of the crime. Fourth, Fatah (guerrilla) units have sprung up in great numbers throughout Jordan, and their raids into Israel have multiplied. Since these activities have been amply financed by the oil producing states, the possibility of an international Arab conspiracy cannot be dismissed out of hand.

Holding the key to this mystery is the prisoner Sirhan. Certainly he must not be allowed to carry such crucial secrets to his grave as Oswald did. Certainly the United States, which has already lost so much at his hands, dare not risk losing more of its valued leaders through the failure of extracting from Sirhan all he knows.

In view of his intransigence, I believe that hypnotic drugs such as sodium pentothal should be administered to facilitate the eliciting of information. If this information is withheld from the courts, but used instead as a means for apprehending collaborators if they exist, the prosecution against him should not be hampered or prejudiced in any way.

Other lives may well depend upon how competently the security aspect of this case is conducted. Do you not agree that such a critical matter requires your personal attention?

Sincerely yours,

*Mark Flomenhoft*  
Mark Flomenhoft

4522 York Road, Phila., Pa.

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CIV. RIGHTS DIV.



The Honorable Ramsey Clark  
Attorney General of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

6-6-68

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*James C. Meland*

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June 6, 1968

To The Honorable Lyndon Johnson,  
West Illinois,

To My Dear Mr President,

I would like to express my  
opinion, and that of many  
of my friends & neighbors, and  
many more American Citizens, I'm  
sure. Already they are preparing  
a defense for this man, who  
shot Mr Kennedy.

Mr Kennedy didn't have a  
chance, and, yet, they spend  
money, on, and worry about this  
man, having a fair trial.

We feel that he should  
be brought to a speedy trial.

A just verdict brought in,  
and, Carried out, just as speedily.  
We feel that this type of thing  
Cannot continue in our Country, and  
feel, that, a speedy conviction, would  
deter, such crimes in the future.

Thank you for listening.  
Very respectfully yours,

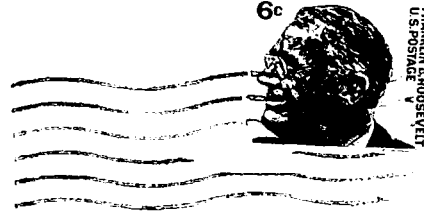
and very Sincerely

Wm James C Meland  
7240 West 107th St  
North Illinois

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Mr & Mrs James C Meland  
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President of The United States  
"White House"

Washington D.C.

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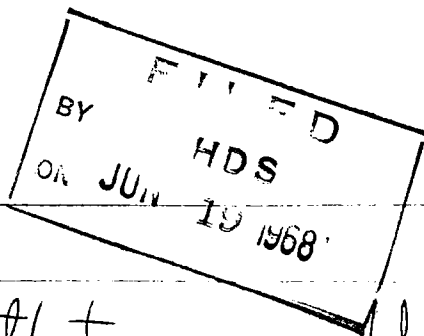
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Attorney General .....  
Deputy Attorney General .....  
    First Assistant Deputy Attorney General .....  
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    Executive Office For U. S. Marshals .....  
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MEMORANDUM

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June 5, 1968



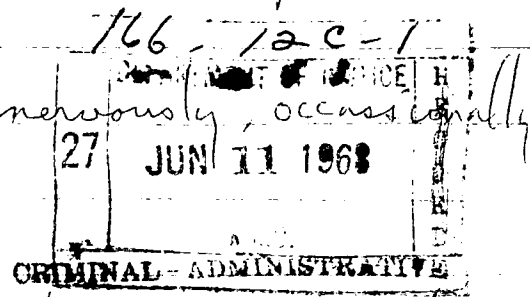
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Dear Sir

You stated that you would steadfastly pursue every possible angle of Kennedy's shooting. This encourages me to report an observation that undoubtedly others have made.

NBC news videotaped Kennedy's victory speech and frequently included ~~in the~~ the background Jesse Unruth's face. By the fourth replaying of this tape certain things had become apparent to me.

- 1) Unruth's forehead was perspiring. No one else indicated they felt any heat.
- 2) Unruth was crying or going through the motions. His eyes blinked rapidly, he sniffled, scrunched up the bridge of his nose, and rubbed his eyes. ~~This occurred continuously~~ This occurred continuously throughout the speech, to an impressive extent.
- 3) His left hand fluttered nervously, occasionally tugging at his collar.
- 4) Once, triggered by a phrase in Kennedy's speech he lifted his eyes from the floor.



and began applauding, hoping it would catch on, but no one echoed this applause. ~~It~~ It would seem that he was not ~~at~~ at all conscious of the crowd's mood but deeply preoccupied.

5. A short time before Kennedy finished his speech, Unruth's chin trembled and he bit his lower lip.

I beg you to review this videotape and decide for yourself whether his emotions are out of place, whether they belong to a man who has planned Kennedy's victory and his assassination.

IF Unruth is part of a conspiracy I hope you will proceed very carefully or a deadly lizard may leave you with its tail.

Sincerely Yours  
Ralph Lyh Smith  
~~12-12-62~~

P.S. please do ~~everything~~ everything you can, I idolize Robert Kennedy.

Ralph Lyle Smith  
1808 Barber St  
McLean, Va.



ATTENTION: ATTORNEY GENERAL'S  
OFFICE

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CMDR, SACTO FO, FOR PASS TO AG CNG, ATTN: MAJ MARCH

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SUBJECT: SPOT REPORT

5 JUNE 1968

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JUN 19 1968

1. LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICE, REGION II, 115TH MI GP (CI)
2. 115-8157-014
3. SHOOTING OF SENATOR KENNEDY
4. 115-8157-013
5. 5 JUNE 1968, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
6. BLACK MUSLIMS
7. LOS ANGELES POLICE REPORT THAT THE SITUATION IS QUIET IN FRONT OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA AS OF 0420 HRS PDT, 5 JUN 68. THE LAPD HAS SET UP A FIELD EOC AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL, 3400 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES. LAPD HAS REPORTS THAT APPROXIMATELY 200 PERSONS, MOSTLY NEGRO, ARE GATHERED AT THE CORNER OF WILSHIRE AND LUCAS STREET, LOS ANGELES. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT BLACK MUSLIMS ARE PRESENT. FORTY POLICE ARE ON THE SCENE, AND THE SITUATION IS QUIET AT THE PRESENT.
8. UNKNOWN
9. 050445 PDT JUN 68, WARDLAW/NETKA; 050450 PDT JUN 68, VIA AUTOVON
10. REPORTED TO HQS, 115TH MI GP (CI), 050430 PDT JUN 68, HYMEN/WARDLAW
11. CASUAL SOURCE (LOS ANGELES FO)
12. B-2
13. 050415 PDT JUN 68 \\AN\\AO\\AP\\AR\\
13. 050415 PDT JUN 68 (HOWARD)
14. FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED UPON RECEIPT.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
JUN 14 1968  
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INFO: CG, SIXTH US ARMY, FOR DCSINT

CMDR, SACTO FO, FOR PASS TO AG CNG, ATTN: MAJ MARCH

UNCLAS FOUO

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SUBJECT: SPOT REPORT

5 JUNE 1968

1. LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICE, REGION II, 115TH MI GP (CI)
2. 115-8157-016
3. SHOOTING OF SENATOR KENNEDY
4. CONTINUING REPORTS
5. 050630 PDT JUN 68, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
6. LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
7. AT 0630 HRS PDT, 5 JUN 68, THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WENT ON TACTICAL ALERT.
8. UNKNOWN
9. 050650 PDT JUN 68, WARDLAW/NETKA; 050650 PDT JUN 68, VIA AUTOVON
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TO: CG, USAINTC, FT HOLABIRD, MD, FOR ICOP-IV

INFO: CG, SIXTH US ARMY, FOR DCSINT

CMDR, SACTO FO, FOR PASS TO AG CNG, ATTN: MAJ MARCH

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SUBJECT: SPOT REPORT 5 JUNE 1968

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( ) Hayden  
( ) Beck  
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( ) Foss  
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1. LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICE, REGION II, 115TH MI GP (CI)

2. 115-8157-015

3. SHOOTING OF SENATOR KENNEDY

4. 115-8157-014

5. 5 JUNE 1968, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

6. BLACK PANTHER PARTY

7. THE GROUP IN FRONT OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA HAS DECREASED TO APPROXIMATELY 40 TO 50 PERSONS. LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPT COMMAND POST AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL HAS IDENTIFIED 4 OF THE CROWD AS BLACK PANTHERS.

THE SUSPECT IN THE SHOOTING STILL REFUSES TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION TO THE POLICE.

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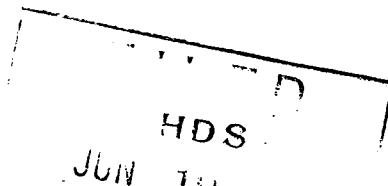
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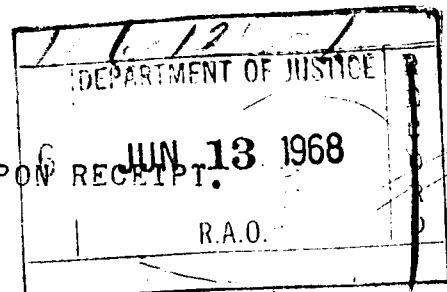
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Mrs. Bennett

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HONORABLE RAMSEY CLARK

ATTORNEY GENERAL DEPT OF JUSTICE

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PLEASE DO NOT TRY TO TELL THE AMERICAN PUBLIC THERE IS NO  
EVIDENCE OF CONSPIRACY IN THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF ROBERT  
KENNEDY WHEN YOU HAVEN'T EVEN HAD TIME TO INVESTIGATE. YOU  
SHOULD ASSUME THERE IS A CONSPIRACY IN ALL OF THESE ASSASSINATIONS  
UNTIL PROVEN OTHERWISE. THE GREAT AND NUMEROUS MIDDLE CLASS  
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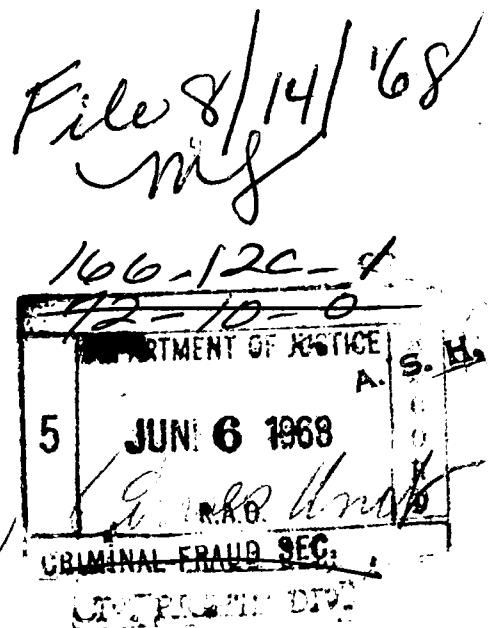
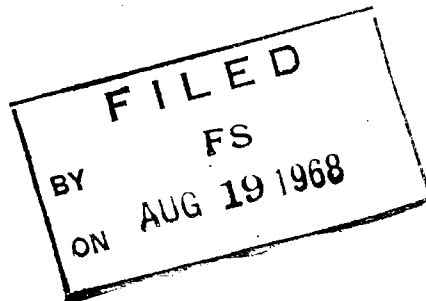
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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

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Attempted Assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy

Information was received by the Criminal Division this morning from Parish Judge William Mark Daniels of Baton Rouge, Louisiana that yesterday afternoon an individual named Don George of Lafayette, Louisiana contacted one Carlton Greenlee, news director of Channel 9 in Baton Rouge, and asked for the video tape of a television interview of Judge Daniels which appeared on Channel 9 about two months ago. According to Judge Daniels, that interview dealt extensively with the allegations made by Edward Gady Partin in 1962 about a plot by John H. Hoffa to kill then Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy.

The foregoing is forwarded for your information in connection with the captioned matter. During the past several weeks Michael F. Epstein of my staff has received considerable background information concerning Don George. Please contact him directly if such information is desired.

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Mr. Epstein

Mr. Vinson

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106-120-1

Mrs. Ruth Bell  
707 West 5th  
Spokane, Washington 99204

R. R. S.

Dear Mrs. Bell:

The Attorney General has asked me to thank you for your letter concerning his statements on the assassinations of Senator Kennedy and Dr. King.

Let me assure you that Mr. Clark has not made the statements which you attribute to him. He has never ruled out a conspiracy in either case but has pointed out on several occasions there was no evidence of conspiracy. This is still true. He did not announce "an imminent capture" of the killer of Dr. King, but expressed his hope and confidence that the killer would be apprehended.

Sincerely,

Cliff Sessions  
Director of Public Information

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cc:  
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707 West 5th  
Spokane, Washington 99204  
June 5, 1968

Ramsey Clark,  
U. S. Attorney General  
Attorney Generals Office  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

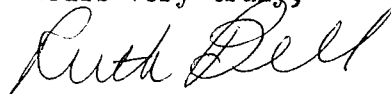
I was deeply shocked and upset this morning by your statements made after the shooting of Senator Robert Kennedy. I realize you are under tremendous pressures in fulfilling your duties as Attorney General but you do the country and the people a grave injustice when you make unsubstantiated statements during a crisis. You probably wish to reassure the people, but all you do is make them fearful and doubtful of you.

I refer to your statements following the assassination of Rev. King and again following the shooting of Senator Robert Kennedy. In both instances, before you could possibly have had time to make any kind of investigation, you went on the air to announce "There was no organized conspiracy". In the case of Dr. King, you went further and announced an imminent capture of the killer, when you must have been aware this was poppycock.

You insult the intelligence of the people and create doubt with these irresponsible utterings. I would strongly urge, for the future, that no public statement be made until you can tell us the truth.

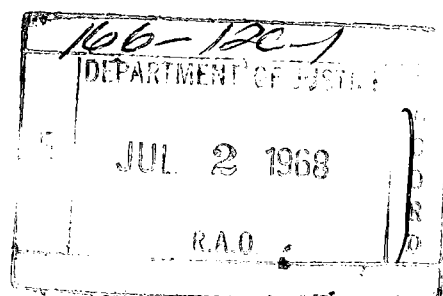
The people of our country are confused enough without adding to the turmoil - what we want now is TRUTH, not blandishments. And you can not tell the truth without the facts. And you cannot make up facts - you have to establish them upon investigation.

Yours very truly,



Ruth Bell

RB:mn



Mrs. Ruth Bell  
707 West 5th  
Spokane, Washington 99204

VIA AIR MAIL

Ramsey Clark,  
U. S. Attorney General  
Attorney Generals Office  
Washington, D. C.



Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
To

JUN 6 1968

- ☐ The Solicitor General  
☐ Deputy Attorney General  
☐ Assistant Attorney General  
☐ Director, Bureau of Prisons  
☐ The Pardon Attorney  
☐ Chairman, Parole Board  
☐ Assistant Attorney General for Administration  
☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service  
☐ Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs  
☐ Office of Alien Property  
☐ Chief - Accounts Branch  
☐ Chief - Administrative Services Office  
☐ Chief of Personnel  
☐ General Litigation Section, Civil Division  
☒ Records Administration Office
- Att.: ☐ Antitrust Div.    ☐ Civil Div.    ☒ Civil Rights Div.  
☐ Criminal Div.    ☐ Internal Security Div.  
☐ Inter-Division Information Unit

- ☐ A. No further action will be taken in this case in the absence of a specific request from you.
- ☐ B. Please advise what further investigation, if any, is desired in this matter.
- ☐ C. For your information, I am enclosing a communication regarding the holder of a diplomatic or international organization visa.
- ☒ D. For your information.
- ☐ E. Please note change in caption of this case.

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

cc: ☐ Attorney General    ☐ Deputy Attorney General  
☐ Antitrust Div.    ☐ Civil Div.    ☒ Civil Rights Div.  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

***In Reply, Please Refer to  
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June 5, 1968  
Washington, D.C.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

Another Government agency which conducts criminal type investigations advised on June 5, 1968, that one Charles Mayfield Davis (phonetic), had called the office of Senator Robert F. Kennedy early on the morning of June 5, 1968.

This individual stated that Senator Kennedy had helped him and other convicts get out of jail and that he, Davis, and other convicts were going to get guns "so sit tight."

The current edition of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company Directory for the District of Columbia, discloses no listing identifiable with Charles Rayhold Davis.

**INTERNAL SECURITY, DIV.**  
**Criminal Section**

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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**JUN 7 1968**

*Handwritten:* Kennedy Pollak

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

June 5, 1968

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Stephen J. Pollak  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

Unknown Subject or Subjects  
Senator Robert F. Kennedy, victim  
**INTERFERENCE WITH VOTING RIGHTS**

This will confirm the oral request of the Attorney General that your Bureau conduct an investigation into the above-captioned matter.

The Civil Rights Act of 1968, 18 U.S.C. 245(b)(1)(A), makes it a federal crime willfully to injure any person because he is or has been "qualifying or campaigning as a candidate for elective office ... in any primary, special or general election."

Section 11(b) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 19731(b), provides that "No person, whether acting under color of law or otherwise, shall intimidate, threaten, or coerce ... any person ... for urging ... any person to vote or attempt to vote in any primary, special or general election." Sections 12(a), (c) of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973j(a), (c), make it a federal crime to deprive any person of any right secured by Section 11(b) of the Act or to conspire to interfere with any right secured by Section 11(b) of the Act.

Senator Robert F. Kennedy while campaigning for the presidency in Los Angeles, California, was shot early today by an unidentified person who is reportedly in the custody of the Los Angeles Police Department.

Please conduct a full investigation of all aspects of this matter, including any indications that the shooting was the product of a conspiracy.

Please provide daily progress reports to the Attorney General and to this Division.

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

June 5, 1968

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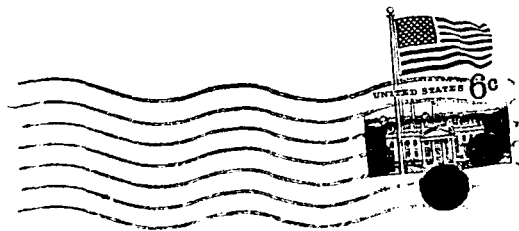
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Retsof, New York



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President of the United States  
White House  
Washington D. C.

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CRIMINAL GEN. CRIME SEC.	

Dear Mr. President,

Our class had a discussion on the shooting of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. We also discussed the downfall of our country. We agreed that if these shootings continue no one will want to run for president. Without a president another country could easily take over the United States. We should ~~try to~~ prevent these shootings instead of putting a lot of protection around the important men and women of our country because we shouldn't have to do this. Our class thought of one way to help prevent these shootings which is to make it harder on the murderers and assassins so people would not be so tempted to do such things. Please answer this letter

as soon as possible.

Sincerely,  
Fifth Grade at York  
Central School

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*Gail Perry*

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June 5, 1968

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Today June 5, 1968 Senator  
Robert F. Kennedy was shot.

Everyday a person is shot, killed or  
knifed. Do they catch the criminals,  
sometimes they do (any) and sentence  
them to a few months, a few years or  
life. With the ones they don't catch  
they'll (referring to police and FBI) search  
for a while and sometimes the criminal  
is looking them dead in the face and  
they don't see him.

The alleged suspect, they think shot  
RFK, to me is guilty all the way.  
There is no way in the world they can't  
say he didn't put the bullet in  
Kennedy's head. Maybe it's all  
a conspiracy. With the leaders  
who are trying to help the country  
being shot, there will be no more

166-1204

America. What is the world coming to?

Mr. Johnson what has been done about John F. Kennedy's assassination? Is it a conspiracy? They still don't know.

What has been done about Martin Luther King's assassination. They have his name (they think!) but can't they move faster in finding him?

This nation is protecting criminals. The laws against criminals are twisted and should be renewed.

Criminals are running around the country and endangering it. Something has to be done. Mr. Johnson will you or can you something?

I think you can. You are not doing nothing to help the country against criminals. Just read

this letter, think about it and  
move, move, move, don't stand still.  
You can do it. I am a elementary  
student and these are my opinions.  
America is getting worse. Please answer  
my letter.

your truly,  
Gail Perry

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO



Gail Perry

1 Haven Plaza Apt. 23D

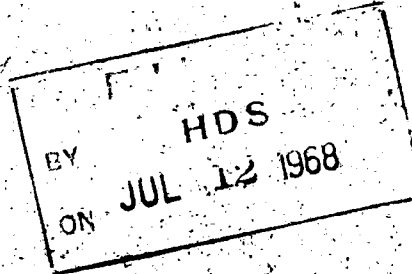
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The President of the United States  
White House  
Washington D.C.

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6/5/68  
July 3, 1968



Miss Gail Perry  
1 Haven Plaza  
Apartment 23D  
New York, New York

*M, S*  
Dear ~~Mrs.~~ Perry:

*RCN 7/2*  
President Johnson has asked me to reply to your letter of June 5, 1968.

*may 7/2*  
The authors who have criticized the conclusions of the Warren Commission do not claim to have any significant new evidence, so far as we are aware. Rather, their criticisms and demands for a new inquiry are based upon different conclusions they have drawn from parts of the same body of evidence that was examined by the Commission. The Commission made a thorough inquiry and detailed analysis of the facts concerning the assassination. The evidence amply supports the basic conclusions of the Commission. In these circumstances, we see no basis for a new inquiry.

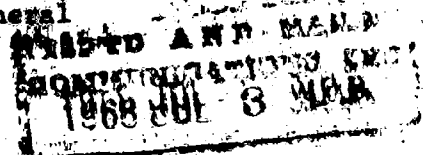
*RCN 7/2*  
I am sure you can appreciate that with regard to Messrs. Ray and Sirhan it would be most inappropriate for a Federal officer or agency to comment on criminal matters pending before state courts.

Your confidence in writing is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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FRED M. VINSON, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General



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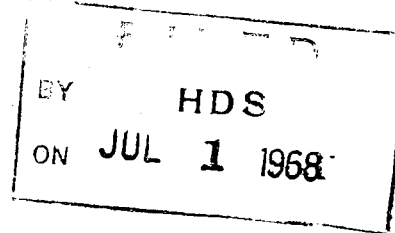
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June 24, 1968

AIR MAIL

Miss Shelly Winters  
Pasadena  
California



Dear Miss Winters:

The President has asked me to answer your telegram dated June 5, 1968.

We share your concern for the safety of our democratic and political institutions, and have participated in certain aspects of the investigation of the slaying of Senator Kennedy. However, under our Federal system, the primary responsibility for murder prosecutions rests with local authorities.

FW  
NJC  
6/21

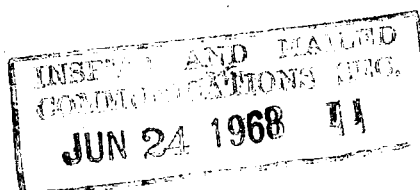
Thank you again for your expression of concern.

Sincerely,

Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Deputy Attorney General  
Records ✓  
Chron.  
Mr. Lynch  
Mr. Vinson

Mr. Petersen  
Mr. Ruff  
Mr. Cole



From  
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Bill Lynch

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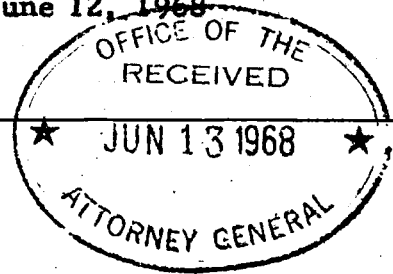


# THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

## REFERRAL

To: The Attorney General

Date: June 12, 1968



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### NOTE

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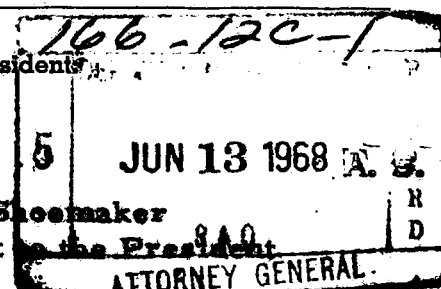
To: The President  
 From: Shelly Winters, Pasadena, California  
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By direction of the President

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Whitney Shoemaker

Assistant to the President



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