

1 (unintelligible) a balloon, and then so we turned the corner,
2 we were right by the doorway and we turned the corner and
3 we saw it -- you know, we heard screaming and stuff and I
4 thought it was a stairway going up and that some kid had come
5 down to say -- you know, to greet Kennedy, and I come into the
6 doorway and there was no stairway, that's all. And then
7 everybody was really going berserk, you know, everybody was
8 crying and going, you know, "They shot Kennedy," and this was
9 going on, you know, more people were getting shot, and like a
10 friend of mine, he was going like, you know, berserk, and I
11 didn't see the man, you know, who shot him, because my friend
12 was going kind of crazy, I had to take care of him. But we
13 walked into the kitchen and, you know, I walked in there and
14 I looked down at my feet and there was, you know, Senator
15 Kennedy laying there and he was, you know, in a pool of blood
16 and it kind of shook me up.

17 Q You didn't see the gun or the suspect, right?

18 A No, I didn't.

19 Q Okay, real good.

20 A It was like everybody was running and crying and,
21 you know, really in a state of chaos and it was not, I don't
22 think now, unless you were really involved or had been in there
23 next to Kennedy, I don't think you could have seen anybody who
24 had anything to do with it because everybody was running back
25 and forth.

26 Q Uh hum. Okay, real good and thanks very much. We
are sorry we kept you here so long. Are your parents here?

1 A No, I have my car at the Ambassador.

2 Q Well, we'll have a bus running over there in 15 or 20
3 minutes.

4 A Where do I go?

5 Q Just hang around out here and we'll give a yell
6 when he gets back to take you over there.

7 A Okay, thank you.

RAMPART DETECTIVE DIVISION

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INTERVIEWS - JUNE 6, 1968

KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521 466

6-7-68 INTERVIEW (TELEPHONICALLY)

SUBJECT: GRAY, Harold 4225 Fair Ave, N. Hwd, Res: 769 6669;
Bus: MA 60345.

Mr. Gray states he arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approx. 12:05 a.m. 6/5/68. He want to the Embassay Room but was refused entrance due to the ballroom being crowded. He states he went to the direction of the kitchen corridor and saw a male person wearing a blue jkt standing alone in the are of the corridor. Mr. Gray later recognized this susp. as the same person pictured in the newspapers and on television; as the assassin of Sen. KENNEDY. Mr. Gray states this was only minutes before the shooting.

WARREN #11266 Metro

RAMPART DETECTIVE DIVISION

I-49

INTERVIEWS - JUNE 6, 1968 10pm KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521-466

FRANCIS CRITCHLEY-677 So. New HampshirePAUL GRECCO

At time of pandemohnia assisted a girl early twentys heavy set not fat in a white polka dot dress who was getting shoved in the crowd at the door on left side of Podium - Pushed.

Up Hairdo Blk with an off center crease in top. Olive comp. similiar to Meditteranean latin. Round face - Brn or Blk eyes - Straight nose but short - seemed eyes naturally teardropped shape. Frightened and wide eyed. Hi Necked dress. 5-3 or 4 unk. if had heels or not. 125 lbs.

Across the fountain - at other candidate another girl in a Polka Dot Dress F/Cauc - 18 - Low Cut PolkaWhite Dress - Straight Blk Hair - Drk Eyes - Straight Chiseled Nose - Med. Length - Thin face - Kid - Toothy - 100 - 5-2 - Small Boned.

Norris

W. Huber

RAMPART DETECTIVE DIVISION

INTERVIEWS - JUNE 10, 1968

KENNEDY SHOOTING

DR 68-521 466

INTERVIEW OF: GRIECO, PAUL DOUGLAS 3:30pm
677 S. New Hampshire #7
386 9358 - Allied Builders 655 6152

INTERVIEWED BY: J. E. SANFORD 11167
F. ROSALINO 12173

GRIECO stated he arrived at Ambassador Hotel to see Senator Kennedy, with a friend named FRANK, 677 S. New Hampshire, 386 9358. At 10:15pm both entered the Embassy Room through the Kitchen but saw no suspects. At approximately 12:07am June 5, 1968 Senator Kennedy exited the Ballroom entering the Kitchen area. GRIECO stated the Senator appeared to be shaking hands at which time he heard 6 to 8 shots very fast. He then noted SENATOR KENNEDY lying on the floor, at which time he knelt and held the Senators head noting a hole behind the Senators right ear area; with quite a bit of blood, around the same area. A unknown person asked him who he was and, took over (possibly doctor) holding the Senator. GRIECO then left. GRIECO unable to I.D. any photo's except suspect but from photo from T.V.

(Handwritten initials)

INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-613

PERSON INTERVIEWED: GREEN, George DATE/TIME 8-1-68 9 AM

SEX M RACE Neg HAIR Blk EYES Brn HT 5-11 WT 185 DOB 8-19-35

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 6811 10th Avenue PHONE 753-3305

BUSINESS ADDRESS 8301 Western PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Interview conducted by J. R. MacAuthur #3472. Conducted at Parker Center, Room 803, 8-1-68 9 AM.

Witness states that he arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approx. 10:30 PM. He wandered around the various campaign headquarters. Approx. 11:30 he observed a group of reporters standing in the pantry area, adjacent to the kitchen. It appeared to him that someone was conducting TV interviews, but he could not determine who was being interviewed or who was doing the interviewing.

During this time, he observed a M/Mex 21 yrs. 5' 140 wearing blue denims and what appeared to be a black jacket. On later viewing pictures of suspect, witness is pretty certain that this is the same individual as just described. When he observed the suspect, he was standing in an area near where the TV interviews were being conducted. He was particularly attracted to this individual due to the casualness of his attire. Most of the people in the area were either dressed in kitchen uniforms or in suits. Witness states he continued to wonder around the Hotel. He wondered from the Ambassador Room on one of the lower floors into the main lobby. He further states that during this wondering, he is not sure of the exact time, but he remembers seeing a male cau. who he describes as young, fairly tall and thin, black hair. He was accompanied by a F/C in her early 20's blond hair fairly attractive and believes she was wearing a dark dress which may have had some kind of white dots, but he could not be sure of the clothing. Witness states that during the Senator's speech he was in the Embassy Room, but had left and had gone downstairs to the Ambassador Room, met several friends and then returned upstairs through the kitchen area and as he was approaching the pantry area, heard several popping sounds. As he continued into the pantry area, he heard two more popping sounds. Just as he entered the pantry, he observed several people struggling with a suspect. He believes one of the people struggling was Roosevelt Grier. He then jumped onto the metal table near where the struggling was going on. He tried to assist in the struggle and the gun was at one time pointed in his direction. The gun was finally taken away from the suspect and the suspect was subdued. (Con't)

Kw/ZR-5-68

INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW: 2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176 APPROVED BY:

S/ *(Handwritten signature)* 7072

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(Handwritten initials)

He thought the gun was possibly a 22 cal. revolver. He observed the Senator had been shot and was lying on the floor.

Witness remained at the scene until the police arrived, observed the police remove the suspect from the pantry area. At this time, recognized him as the same party he had described earlier.

Witness remained at the Hotel until approx. 3 AM.

States he was interviewed several times on TV. Witness states he was interviewed by George Benz of the FBI.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/19/68

~~Lieutenant ROY KEENE, Los Angeles Police Department, made available the results of an interview with ROOSEVELT GRIER which is as follows:~~

*P.D. Interview attached to original
F.B. 302
See Ser 1213*

On 7/11/68 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 56-156

by SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR./mdm Date dictated 7/12/68

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PHONE CALLS - June 7, 1968

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KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521 466

GRIER, ROOSEVELT & BERNICE

6-7-68 10:30am
Phillips, R. &
Rathburn - Metro

Officers Phillips #12167 and Rathburn #11790, went to Roosevelt Grier's approximately 10:30am to transport him to the Grand Jury. Officers were met by Mrs. Bernice Grier, who stated, "I took my husband (Rosie) to the airport about 7:30am this date. He was on the 9am flight to New York. I believe it was American Airlines. Roosevelt called the police department and talked to a sergeant who gave him permission to fly to New York. I don't know when he will return or where he will be staying in New York City."

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RE FRANK MANKIEWICZ, J.W. GALLIVAN, JR.,
WILLIAM BARRY, ROOSEVELT GRIER, EARL C. WILLIMAN

On July 29, 1968, Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, Los Angeles Police Department, made available to SA R.J. LA JEUNESSE, JR. a two page copy of interviews conducted by representatives of the Los Angeles Police Department during the early morning hours of June 8, 1968, immediately following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. The report is as follows:

REPORT DETECTIVE DIVISION

I-94

INTERVIEWS - JUNE 5, 1968 KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521 466

INTERVIEW OF FRANK MANKIEWICZ I-94 INTERVIEWED BY E.H. HENDERSON, HOMI
5206 Keokuk J.E. CHIQUET, HOMI
Washington D.C.
Ph: 656 3939 INTERVIEWED ON 6-5-68 5:40 AM/5:48 AM
Bus Address: 2000 L. St., N.W., Wash. D.C.

TAPE FT. - 024/161, Good Sam. Hosp., 9th Floor

I was to the left of the Senator and about five feet behind him. I heard what sounded like firecrackers popping, there was probably less than 10 of these popping noises. I saw 3 or 4 hands on an arm and there was a gun in the hand. I never saw the person who was holding the gun as people were obstructing my view. The gunman was subdued by other persons so I directed my attention to the Senator who was lying wounded on the floor. I cannot I.D. the susp.

INTERVIEWED OF J. W. GALLIVAN, JR. ✓ INTERVIEWED BY HENDERSON
17 S. 12th East CHIQUET
Salt Lake INTERVIEWED ON 3:10 AM/3:23 AM
Advance Man for Senator Kennedy

TAPE FT. - 273/366

Leading Kennedy into the Press Room, heard five shots, saw a male Latin (susp) w/a gun, he was subdued, the gun taken away by Rosie Greer.

INTERVIEWED OF WILLIAM BARRY ✓ I-242 INTERVIEWED BY HENDERSON
16 Overlook Rd CHIQUET
New City, New York INTERVIEWED ON 6-5-68 5:12 AM/5:22 AM
Ph: 914-NE-44541
Bus. Address-16 Wall St. New York, New York
Bus. Ph: 212-577 2152

TAPE FT. - 892/024, Good Sam. Hosp. 9th Floor

I was abreast of the Senator about 4 feet away from him when I heard the shots, we were in the corridor. I saw this man holding a small caliber revolver in his hands, he had just shot the Senator. I took the gun away from him and put the gun on the counter. The susp. grabbed the gun and then Rayford Johnson and Roosevelt Greer helped me subdue

the susp again. I left the susp with Johnson and Greer and I went

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INTERVIEWS - JUNE 5, 1968 KENNEDY SHOOTING DI 8-521 466

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INTERVIEW OF WILLIAM BARRY (con't)

to where the Senator was lying. Just after the shots were fired, I saw the susp. holding the gun in his right hand, his arm was extended and the gun was about 12 inches from the Senator's head.

INTERVIEW OF ROOSEVELT GREER
1148 So. Spalding
L.A.
Ph: 936-6441

INTERVIEWED BY HENDERSON
CHIQUET
INTERVIEWED ON 6-5-68. 3:30 AM/3:58 AM

TAPE FT. - 453/568

Bill Barry, the Senator, Mrs. Kennedy and I were walking away from the stage when I heard several shots. I looked up and saw a man holding a gun in his hand, I think the gun was in his right hand. I didn't see anyone fall as a result of a gunshot. I went to where the man with the gun was standing and helped some other men subdue him. He was still holding the gun so I twisted it out of his hand. I later gave the gun to Rayford Johnson. I saw two men lying on the floor, one of them was Senator Kennedy, he was bleeding from the head.

INTERVIEW OF EARL C. WILLIMAN
3412 Helms Ave.
Culver City
Ph: VE-94253

INTERVIEWED BY HENDERSON
CHIQUET
INTERVIEWED ON 6-5-68, 2:03 AM, 2:24 AM
2:32 AM

TAPE FT. - 144/158

I heard two shots and then saw this man running with a gun in his hand. I ran after the man as did Rayford Johnson and another male negro. We caught him and held him until the police arrived. I didn't see anyone shot but I did see one man on the floor after he had been shot. Later, I saw Senator Kennedy lying on the floor. He was bleeding from the head. The man we caught didn't say anything. Rayford Johnson took the gun from his hand. Now that I think of it, it was not Rayford Johnson that took the gun from the man. The man that took the gun

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RE: BOOKER GRIFFIN

On July 30, 1968, Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, Los Angeles Police Department, made available the following copy of an interview with BOOKER GRIFFIN which was conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department on July 25, 1968:

F.B.I.

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VERBATIM STATEMENT OF BOOKER GRIFFIN
July 25, 1968

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1 STATEMENT OF BOOKER GRIFFIN

627 WEST 79TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, 752-5693

2 TAKEN IN ROOM 318, PARKER CENTER

3 THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1968, 11:45 A.M.

4 QUESTIONED BY: SGT. C. E. COLLINS #5207, S.U.S. UNIT

SGT. F. J. PATCHETT #7872, S.U.S. UNIT

5 SGT. J. R. MacARTHUR #4372, S.U.S. UNIT

6 REPORTED BY: STELLA C. ROTH, INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

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7 SGT. PATCHETT: Okay, this is July 25, '68. Make
8 the statement at 11:45 a.m. This will be the statement of
9 Mr. Booker, B-o-o-k-e-r, Griffin, G-r-i-f-f-i-n. His date
10 of birth is 10-1-38. He lives at 627 West 79th Street, Los
11 Angeles. Residence phone is 752-5693. He's employed at
12 8421 South Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, 778-4360. Parties
13 present at the interview are Sgts. C. E. Collins--what is
14 your serial?

15 SGT. COLLINS: 6207.

16 SGT. PATCHETT: Sgt. J. R. MacArthur, M-a-c,
17 4372, and Sgt. F. J. Patchett, P-a-t-c-h-e-t-t, 7872.

18 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: All right, Mr. Griffin, what
19 time did you arrive at the hotel?

20 A I'd say around 10:15.

21 Q And after arriving, where did you go?

22 A I went to the Embassy Room at the Ambassador
23 Hotel.

24 Q And from the Embassy Room, is it then correct
25 that you went to the Colonial Room to attempt to get a press
26 credential?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Colonial Room, and then went to the Ambassador
3 Room?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And in the Ambassador Room, did you meet anybody?

6 A I met Richard Aubry.

7 Q Where did you and Richard Aubry go, and why did
8 you go?

9 A Richard Aubry and I went through the back entrance
10 to the Ambassador to the Embassy Room to an area where
11 Pierre Salinger was located.

12 Q Let's refer to this as the staff area for the
13 rest of the conversation.

14 A All right.

15 Q And in this staff area then, with your friend Mr.
16 Aubry, what happens there?

17 A I got press credentials from Pierre Salinger.

18 Q All right, and from there you then go back down
19 to the Ambassador ballroom back up to the Ambassador--or to
20 the Ambassador Room and then from there back to the staff
21 room, and from the staff room to the Colonial Room?

22 A Right.

23 Q And en route to the Colonial Room, this is the
24 time that you see a man that you feel was the suspect, and
25 you see him standing between what would be the second and
26 third table, and he's with another man approximately six foot

1 tall and a woman across the table from there, there is a
2 hotel employee--

3 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: At this point let's pin down--
4 you say you walked from the staff area to the Colonial Room.
5 Is this the time that you got the sandwich?

6 A Not the first time. See, right after I got my
7 credentials, you know, I just went to the Colonial Room
8 because I hadn't been there, just to look around.

9 Q And in period of time when was it you went there
10 and saw this man, if you recall?

11 A What time?

12 Q (Indicates yes)

13 A I had been in the hotel about 30 minutes. I'd
14 say at that time about 30 minutes. After I did that, I went
15 back downstairs because I was looking for a lady. The lady
16 wasn't there, and I ran into George Green who wanted access
17 to the Embassy Room. I took George--we took the front way.
18 We went to the door of the Colonial Room whereby I was
19 admitted, and I took George with me into the Colonial Room
20 down the corridor to the staff area where George--I was then
21 able to get George a press pass so he could have entrance to
22 the Embassy Room. At that time George and I went in the
23 Embassy Room and just, you know, talked to different people,
24 and just generally having a good time. Prior to the Senator's
25 coming, I left the Embassy Room, went down the corridor of
26 the Embassy Room again, then I came back in.

1 Q On that trip did you see anybody?

2 A I can't factually say. The first time and last
3 time I can factually say I saw some people.

4 Q Then the first time you went down through that
5 corridor was about 10:45?

6 A Or 11 o'clock somewhere.

7 Q Or 11 o'clock. It was at that time you think
8 you saw--

9 A --I know there were three people I know that I
10 saw.

11 Q And in that group?

12 A Was the short guy, the suspect; a tall lady, and
13 a tall gentleman.

14 Q All right, fine.

15 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Go ahead.

16 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: Okay then, one time you went
17 to the staff room and got some sandwiches?

18 A Right.

19 Q From--where did you go then?

20 A I went in the Colonial Room and sat down and
21 ate the sandwich.

22 Q Do you recall about what time that was?

23 A That was maybe 15--20 minutes before the Senator
24 arrived.

25 Q All right, at the conclusion of eating this
26 sandwich, what did you do?

1 A I got up and came back, went through the corridor,
2 through the staff room back into the Embassy Room.

3 Q All right, where were you when the Senator
4 arrived?

5 A Uhm, I was just out talking to George Green and
6 some other guys from New Image Committee. We were in the
7 Embassy Room. We were to this side of the stage having a
8 bull session, just talking, we were in the Embassy Room, and
9 we were like from the stage--

10 Q This is the stage looking--

11 A --over from the stage.

12 Q You were at the west side of the stage then or
13 to the left of the stage as you look out?

14 A We were right in front of NBC's cameras, I
15 remember that.

16 Q And did you see the Senator come on stage?

17 A No, I heard, you know, I heard the clapping. And
18 the next thing I can remember that he was there like I first
19 could say I visually saw him at the podium.

20 Q What did you do at that time?

21 A Pardon me, please. At that time I left the guys
22 that I was with and walked to--up on the stage.

23 Q Where did you go--stand on the stage?

24 A I stood on this corner, northwest corner.

25 Q Did anything unusual happen at any time while you
26 were on stage?

1 A Yes, Miss Unruh, we helped her up. She almost
2 fell and then she got down.

3 Q Sometime during this speech you left the stage?

4 A Yes, and went to the Colonial Room.

5 Q For what reason?

6 A Because it was hot, and I just wanted to get out
7 of the way.

8 Q Did you go watch TV in the Colonial Room?

9 A On this particular time? I didn't stay that--
10 look, I think I might have glanced at it.

11 Q Did you return to the stage?

12 A Yes, I did.

13 Q How long were you absent from the stage, would
14 you say?

15 A A couple of minutes.

16 Q Then you returned?

17 A Yes.

18 Q What did you do next?

19 A I stood back up on the stage. I just stood on
20 the corner until the Senator had finished his prepared-like
21 remarks. When he went into his adlib, I left the stage and
22 went back to the Colonial Room.

23 Q Did you watch TV in the Colonial Room at that
24 time?

25 A Yes, I did.

26 Q What was occurring?

1 A The Senator was concluding his remarks at that
2 time.

3 Q What occurred in the next few minutes?

4 A Then the Senator was through. You know, he was
5 no longer on the camera, and I was just sitting down in the
6 chair, and everyone was waiting for the Senator to come in
7 because he was going to have a press conference. And a
8 gentleman opened the south door of the Colonial Room too
9 because they thought he was going to come out that way. There
10 was a lot of people, a lot of crowd, so they closed the door
11 back.

12 Q That is the main door, you expected the Senator
13 to arrive through that door?

14 A Right. There was some discussion about the way
15 he was coming.

16 Q How many people were in the Colonial Room at that
17 time?

18 A Oh, 15, 20, maybe.

19 Q What did you do next?

20 A Then we--after the guy closed the door, then I
21 got up and I walked, you know, I walked out the door to--
22 from the Colonial Room into the corridor.

23 Q When you say corridor, you are referring to the
24 pantry or kitchen area?

25 A Yes.

26 Q What occurred next?

1 A What occurred next? I was walking in and I
2 heard two sounds. And when I heard these sounds, I did not
3 think in terms of being shots, they were just sounds that
4 aroused my focus and attention, and I looked up and at that
5 time I saw, uh, the suspect with the gun, and I saw another
6 man--another man or two men, I don't recall which, like
7 similarly struggling with him, and he was shooting. I imagine
8 there must have been about--I'd say ten or twelve shots
9 according to the way I felt, and I just was--I just froze
10 there because I felt, you know, to me I felt that there were
11 more than one person. I did not like see anyone else, and
12 I didn't see any smoke or anything like that, but I did see
13 the man with a gun and heard the sound and saw the struggling,
14 and I froze after I--you know, got my senses back together
15 again, then I moved toward--you know, everything--I saw the
16 Senator--the first couple of sounds which I looked up, I did
17 see the Senator throw--you know--throw up his hands. Uh,
18 then the next thing I can remember is seeing the Senator on
19 the ground and standing up, you know, on his feet and being
20 pushed around.

21 Q All right, going back a moment, when you looked
22 and saw the man with the gun and saw a struggle, did you
23 recognize anybody struggling with him?

24 A No, I didn't.

25 Q Could you distinguish whether theyman was Negro
26 or Caucasian?

1 A He was a Caucasian man.

2 Q Caucasian?

3 A Right.

4 Q You described the shots or the noise that you
5 heard as two quick noises, a pause--a slight pause--and a
6 continuation. Once you saw the gun in his hand, did you
7 realize what the noises were?

8 A Yes.

9 Q What were they?

10 A Shots.

11 Q You realize at that point everything you heard
12 was shots?

13 A Pardon me--yes.

14 Q You say you heard two noises?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Then a pause, then some more noises?

17 A Yes.

18 Q During the second sequence of noises, you saw
19 a gun and realized they were shots. Did you realize that
20 everything you heard were shots?

21 A Yes. But the way it happened it sounded as if
22 there was more than one gun being used at that point.

23 Q Did you have any reason to believe, other than
24 the fact that you heard the shots, there was more than one
25 person shooting?

26 A No reason.

1 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: Were the first two sounds
2 that you heard, then there was a pause and more sounds, were
3 those sounds the same?

4 A Yes.

5 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: Now the gun, how far was that
6 gun when you saw it from the Senator? If you know.

7 A I can't answer you that question factually.

8 Q How far was the person holding the gun from the
9 Senator, if you know?

10 A I can't factually say.

11 Q All right, you then walked toward the Senator?

12 A Right after--right. That's the next thing I
13 remember. I think there was some time in there I don't know
14 what I did. I must have panicked like everyone else.

15 Q There is a loss of time, then the next thing you
16 recall, you are walking toward the Senator. Tell us what
17 happened then.

18 A When I got about at the Senator's feet and had
19 just a chance to look down there, everyone started pushing
20 and shoving, and sometime in this--and I can't chronologically
21 place it--I saw a girl leave the scene of this, and I wanted
22 to try to run, you know, to see where she might have gone,
23 but I just got pushed around. So at that point I was--was
24 just frustrated so I came back around this table, and these
25 guys were hassling with the suspect, and I had forgotten
26 really about the suspect up to that point. I went over there

1 because I just wanted to do something, and at that time I
2 saw them hassling with him. I came around this table and
3 got up on the table on my knees and tried to hit this guy.
4 At this point they were struggling with him for the gun, and
5 the gun was pointed at me, so then I heard--I don't remember
6 how, but it was a reaction, I got down off the table. Then
7 when I got down off the table, I got down and I walked back
8 around here, and that's at that that point I heard something
9 of "Get the gun, Rosie," or "Give me the gun." And that's
10 when I--Rosie was there, I heard someone say, "Give it to
11 Rafer." I did not see Rosie hand the gun to Rafer, but I
12 don't recall Rafer being there other than the point of
13 giving the gun.

14 Q When you were trying to hit the suspect, do you
15 recall anyone saying to you--

16 A --Richard Aubry said something.

17 Q Richard?

18 A A-u-b-r-y.

19 Q Do you recall Rosie saying anything to you at that
20 point such as, "Don't do that, baby," or anything like that?

21 A Rosie said something, but I don't think he said
22 it to me. Now I think about it, he was just talking and
23 crying.

24 Q All right, fine. Now, when you saw the Senator,
25 did he make any statement that you could hear?

26 A I didn't hear him make a statement. No.

1 Q Now when you say you saw a girl go out the door
2 and then you went around and engaged yourself with the
3 suspect, the gun got pointed at you, you stepped back. You
4 heard other conversation about "Give the gun to Rafer," then
5 at this point what did you do?

6 A After the gun was there, that's when I decided
7 that I wanted to follow through and see what had happened
8 there, and that's when I went up through the kitchen area
9 up into the parking lot thinking that the girl was involved
10 and maybe I could find out something.

11 Q Did you find out anything?

12 A Yes, when I got there, there was a gentleman
13 there that was telling cars to get out of the way to let an
14 ambulance in, and I turned around and came back down, and
15 I made a wrong turn and I got right back, and when I came back
16 they put a table up to the entrance leading back to the
17 corridor, and first I was denied entrance to the corridor,
18 and another gentleman, who had traveled with the Kennedy
19 party, recognized me. But I don't recall by word every
20 gesture, but the guy was keeping me away, let me into the
21 area.

22 Q When you went back to the area, what did you do
23 or see?

24 A We formed a chain of arms and sort of surrounded
25 the Senator, and his wife was there at that time, as I
26 remember, and we just held our arms around. I got--I was

1 pretty close, and I just looked down at him, and his wife
2 was there, and I just left that and went to the Colonial
3 Room, and I just sat down in there, and I remember the police-
4 man being there and remember Speaker Unruh in there.

5 Q Let's go back a little bit and pick up--going
6 back to the girl that you saw leave the room, the reason you
7 paid attention to her leaving the room was because you had
8 seen a girl earlier with the person you had tried to hit?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And are you sure that this person that left the
11 room was, in fact, the same girl that had been earlier
12 talking--

13 A --no.

14 Q Would it be a fair statement to say that the
15 only reason any of this came to your mind later when you
16 realized the seriousness and crisis that occurred here, that
17 if there was a possible sinister motive, that you should
18 come forward with this?

19 A The whole statement or the girl?

20 Q About the girl.

21 A No, I'd say I did see a girl, and it was just a
22 part of trying to piece it together and say what I had seen.

23 Q The girl that did leave, though, did you see
24 other people leaving at the same time, could it be just
25 leaving to get away from possible injury?

26 A Right.

1 Q Do you think she could have been leaving for
2 that reason also?

3 A There is a possibility.

4 Q All right.

5 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: You said earlier that you saw
6 this girl or a girl with the person who later is identified
7 as the suspect. Actually this could have been this press
8 woman that was--or this woman with the Kennedy party that
9 was checking people's press credentials?

10 A I couldn't say that it could be.

11 Q You don't know that this woman was with this
12 suspect either?

13 A Right. That is correct.

14 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: Would you describe this girl
15 for us that you saw leaving?

16 A I can't very well describe the girl I saw leaving.
17 I could describe the girl I saw in the corridor.

18 Q Will you describe the girl in the corridor
19 earlier?

20 A Tall, between five-four and five-five. She had
21 on a dress that was not--there was white in the dress, but
22 I don't think it was--I can't say it was polka dot or any-
23 thing like that, but I know there was more than one color in
24 the dress.

25 Q How old?

26 A Between 18 and 22, maybe.

1 Q Tell us about her hair.

2 A It was in an upsweep type.

3 Q Color?

4 A I can't recall.

5 Q You said that you didn't see any other women
6 around, is that right?

7 A Let me--let me make a truthful statement. I
8 can't say for sure, but I know the women were not too apparent
9 around there.

10 Q And one of the things that attracted you to this
11 particular girl, she had a very predominant buttocks, is
12 that right?

13 A Right.

14 Q Okay, what were you wearing that night?

15 A I had on a rust-brown suit, a blue shirt, and a
16 mod-flowered tie.

17 Q I have shown you some pictures, and from this
18 group of pictures you identified the one picture of Sirhan
19 Sirhan as the one you did see in the kitchen, and the rest
20 of the--remainder of the group you didn't recognize anybody?

21 A That is right. I think for the record, you could
22 recognize pictures from the paper anyway.

23 Q Now, you saw a man earlier with this girl talking.
24 Can you describe him?

25 A At that--earlier upon just entering the Ambassa-
26 dor?

1 Q No, you said within the kitchen.

2 A No, the other man was taller, maybe six-one or
3 six-two. He was stockily built--you know--he wasn't skinny.
4 He was built pretty nice.

5 Q How old?

6 A I'd say he could be--I can't factually give a
7 statement to that.

8 Q What race would he be?

9 A Well, he was--he was white.

10 Q And he was wearing?

11 A I--as I remember, I can't factually say.

12 Q You said earlier slacks and shirt.

13 A Slacks and shirt. I can't factually say. I
14 don't--he didn't have a dress shirt like you have on.

15 Q He wasn't wearing a tie?

16 A No.

17 Q All right, can you think of anything, Mac, you
18 would like to cover?

19 SGT. MacARTHUR: No.

20 Q BY SGT. PATCHETT: In your article you mentioned
21 seeing people, a man and woman, in the Ambassador earlier.
22 The man you had the negative eye contact with. Now, in
23 reviewing this, you don't feel that he was definitely the
24 same person? Definitely?

25 A Let's see. I can't definitely say on a basis of
26 a life and death situation, but I'm reasonably sure. I have

1 a reasonably (sic) feeling it was.

2 Q Might have been, but you are not definite?

3 A Right.

4 Q And the girl you saw with this person, you are
5 not sure she was the person you saw later in the evening?

6 A No, I am not sure.

7 Q The woman you saw upstairs on two occasions in
8 the kitchen area that you mentioned in your statement, you
9 are not sure this was the same woman you saw in the
10 Ambassador, and it is not the same woman you saw running out
11 of the kitchen area, is that right?

12 A No, not in terms of fact.

13 Q BY SGT. MacARTHUR: You just saw a female. You
14 can't be sure, and the only reason you connect that with the
15 suspect before was that he was talking to a woman?

16 A Right.

17 SGT. MacARTHUR: Okay.

18 Q BY SGT. COLLINS: I show you a picture of Mr.
19 Heath.

20 A Yes.

21 Q Did you see him in the kitchen area?

22 A I saw him after everything had died down.

23 Q During the speech when you made your walk
24 through, you did not see him?

25 A He was on the stage beside me sometime during
26 the speech.

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Q But you didn't see him in the Colonial Room when you walked down there?

A No.

Q Or Mr. Dutton?

A No.

SGT. COLLINS: Do we have anything else?

SGT. PATCHETT: It's now 12:15.

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INTERVIEWS - JUNE 5, 1968

KENNEDY SHOOTING

DR#68-521 466
du

GRIFFIN, BOOKER, 8421 S. VERMONT, PHONE - 778-4360

Mr. Griffin was interviewed at the Los Angeles Office of the Negro Industrial and Educational Union at 8421 S. Vermont on 6-7-68 at 11:30 a.m. (Mr. Griffin is the Los Angeles director of the organization.) He states: "THAT he has known Senator Kennedy for about 10 or 11 years and also that he was active in the Senators' California campaign. On Tuesday evening, 6-4-68, at about 10:15 p.m., Mr. Griffin arrived at the Ambassador Hotel for the election returns. He did not have a Press Pass or other pass to get into the Embassy Room, so he went downstairs to the Ambassador Room which was apparently open to the public.

While Mr. Griffin was in the Ambassador Room, he states that he observed two people whom he thought seemed out of place. He states that there was a male whom he describes as:

MALE, of some descent similar to Mexican; short, 5-4, or less; small build and shabbily dressed in old clothes: Mr. Griffin says that he is positive that this man he saw is the suspect in the Kennedy shooting; Sirhan SIRHAN, and he ID the suspect from a picture the I/O showed him. Mr. Griffin describes the other person, a

FEMALE, Cauc - or "OF NORDIC DESCENT", 5-5/6", (taller than the male), with hair of unknown color, but arranged up on her head in a fluffy manner, and wearing a dress that was predominately white, but that may have had other color in it. Mr. Griffin stated the reason he thought the two people seemed out of place was because everyone else but these two were celebrating the apparent Kennedy victory. Mr. Griffin

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KENNEDY SHOOTING DR #68-521 466

JUNE 5, 1968

GRIFFIN, BOOKER - INTERVIEW -- continued

was standing about 8 to 10 feet from the two people but did not hear any conversation between them but stated that he had what he describes as "negative eye contact" WITH THE MALE.

After spending about 15 to 20 minutes downstairs in the Ambassador Room, I was able to obtain a press pass to go into the Embassy Room. After Mr. Griffin had been in the Embassy Room for an hour or so, he observed the same two people that he had seen in the Embassy Room, and this time there was another male with them. He described him as:

Male, with lighter complexion than the other man, tall (6-0/6-2), NFD.

The three were standing in the kitchen corridor next to the doorway that leads through the kitchen and out into a parking area. This was about 30 to 45 minutes before Senator Kennedy's arrival.

Just prior to the conclusion of Senator Kennedy's speech; Mr. Griffin passed through the kitchen corridor and went into the Press Room; he heard the first shots being fired. His position in the doorway of the Press Room gave him a clear view of the whole corridor. Almost simultaneously, he observed Senator Kennedy throw one of his arms over his face, and the female and the taller unidentified male run out of the doorway. He then observed some people struggling with the other male who still had the gun in his hand. When Mr. Griffin saw the two people run out of the doorway, he remembers saying out loud, (continued)

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GRIFFIN, BOOKER - INTERVIEW-CONTINUED

"They're getting away."

MR. GRIFFIN recalls that just prior to the shooting, he mentioned to a friend (whom he does not want to identify), that "there's a guy I've been seeing all evening and for some reason we don't seem to take to each other". He was referring to the suspect he identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN.

STATEMENT INTERVIEW BY W. M. RATHBURN #11790, R.R. PHILLIPS #12167

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE: 8/13/68

FROM : SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR.

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re: GILBERT MONROY GRIJALVA

On 8/8/68, Sergeant MIKE NIELSON, LAPD, S.U.S. Unit, made available a copy of an interview with GILBERT MONROY GRIJALVA conducted by the LAPD on 7/22/68.

A copy of that interview is attached hereto.

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PERSON INTERVIEWED: GRIJALVA, GILBERT MONROY DATE/TIME 7-22-68 8³⁰P

SEX M RACE LATIN HAIR BLK EYES BRN HT 5-3 WT 160 DOB 11-21-45

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 7910 BRIMFIELD #4 PANAMA CITY PHONE 786-7590

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE 782-1210

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

PED IN REAR PARKING LOT OF AMBASSADOR FOLLOWING SHOOTING OF RFK
GILBERT WAS INTERVIEWED IN PERSON AT HIS HOME ADDRESS. GILBERT
ARRIVED AT THE AMBASSADOR AT APPROX. 10⁰⁰PM AND LEFT AT APPROX
2⁰⁰AM. AT THE TIME KENNEDY WAS SHOT GILBERT WAS IN THE
BOULEVARD ROOM LISTENING TO HIS PORTABLE RADIO. GILBERT WAS
UNABLE TO I.D. SIEMAN'S PICTURE FROM THE PACKET OF
MUGS. GILBERT DOES NOT RECALL SEEING A PIC WEARING
A POLK-A-DOT DRESS. GILBERT WAS STOPPED BY L.A.P.D. ON
6-5-68 AT 2⁰⁰AM AS HE LEFT THE AMBASSADOR. GILBERT HAS
NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY ANY OTHER AGENCY OR NEWSPAPER
REGARDING KENNEDY'S DEATH. GILBERT DOES NOT RECALL SEEING
ANYONE HE KNEW TAKING PICTURES. BELOW NAMES ARE
PEOPLE HE SAW AT THE AMBASSADOR.

- X JOHN HAYES U.A.W. LOCAL # 645 782-1210 Ex. 230
- X FRANK GILLAR 100 S. FLORENCE Rm. 227 So. ATTLEBORO POST. MASS.

FILE # I-990
TAPE #29221

PERSON INTERVIEWED: GRIJALVA, Richard DATE/TIME 7-2-68, 6:30 p.m.

SEX M RACE Mex HAIR Brn EYES Brn HT 5'7" WT 242 DOB 10-27-45

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 9011 South Morrill, Santa Fe Springs PHONE 695-3193

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Interview conducted July 2, 1968, 6:30 p.m. at above residence address Richard Grijalva arrived at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte June 4, 1968, 12 noon. Grijalva was accompanied by his sister, Miss Roberta Grijalva (See interview I-1082) Grijalva upon arriving at the gun club went to the control tower to get a target. Grijalva received his target and was starting to the rifle range when he observed a man at position #20 or 21 on the pistol range rapid firing. Grijalva describes the man as a male, foreign descent, 20-22, thin build, 5'2"/3", dark brown hair combed back neat, wearing light blue pants, blue sweater, and dark sunglasses. Grijalva stopped to watch the man fire because the man was rapid firing which is unusual on the range. Grijalva then went to the rifle range where he placed his own target and fired his guns 30/30, 243, 30/06 and a .22 rifle. Grijalva returned to the control tower in approximately twenty minutes from the time he received his first target to get a new target, Grijalva again saw the aforementioned man at positions 20 or 21 on the pistol range still rapid firing. Grijalva states the man was the only person on the pistol range, that he was firing a possible .22 caliber revolver, four inch, due to the small frame and the sound of the gun. Grijalva saw two large cartons of ammo on the bench in front of the man, each carton containing ten small boxes of fifty each, possible Remington brand. Grijalva did not observe what the man was doing with the shell casings. Grijalva returned to the rifle range position 36. Grijalva states the man had one large box of ammo with him which contained ten small boxes of 50 each. Grijalva states the aforementioned man came to the rifle range about 2:30 p.m. He took position 30 or 32 where he fired a .22 rifle, bolt action, equipped with a scope. Grijalva left the range at approximately 3 p.m. and states the man was still on the rifle range firing. Grijalva states the FBI has talked to him. Grijalva identified the mug shot of Sirhan out of four look alikes as the man he mentioned above being at the gun club June 4, 1968.

See Addendum for Grijalva and Sirhan positions at the gun club.

Grijalva did not see anyone with or anyone talking to Sirhan
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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:

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INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-990

TAPE # 29335
TAPE # 29221

PERSON INTERVIEWED: GRIJALVA, Richard DATE/TIME 7-2-68 6:30 PM

SEX M RACE Mex HAIR Brn EYES Brn HT 5-7 WT 242 DOB 10-27-45

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 9011 S. Morrill, Sante Fe Springs PHONE 695-3193

BUSINESS ADDRESS None PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Interview conducted 7-2-68 at 6:30 PM at above residence address.

Richard GRIJALVA arrived at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Rd., Duarte, 6-4-68 at 12 noon. GRIJALVA was accompanied by his sister Miss Roberta GRIJALVA (See-Interview I-1082). GRIJALVA, upon arriving at the Gun Club went to the Control Tower to get a target, GRIJALVA received his target and was starting to the rifle range when he observed a man at position #20 or #21 on the pistol range who was rapid firing. GRIJALVA describes the man as a male; foreign descent; 20-22; thin build; 5-2/3; dark brown hair combed back neat; wearing light blue pants, blue sweater & dark sun glasses. GRIJALVA stopped to watch the man fire because the man was rapid firing which is unusual on the range. GRIJALVA then went to the rifle range where he placed his own target and fired his guns 30/30, 243, 30/06, and a 22 rifle. GRIJALVA returned to the Control Tower in approx. 20 minutes from the time he received his first target to get a new target, GRIJALVA again saw the aforementioned man at position #20 or #21 on the pistol range rapid firing. GRIJALVA states the man was the only person on the pistol range that he was firing a possible 22 cal. revolver 4 inch due to the small frame and the sound of the gun.

GRIJALVA saw two large cartons of ammo on the bench in front of the man. Each large carton containing 10 small boxes of 50 each. Poss. Remington brand. GRIJALVA did not observe what the man was doing with the shell casings. GRIJALVA returned to the rifle range position #36. GRIJALVA stated the aforementioned man came to the rifle range about 2:30 PM, he took position #30 or #32 where he fired a 22 rifle bolt-action equipped with a scope. He states the man had one large box of ammo with him which contained 10 small boxes of 50 each. GRIJALVA left the range at approx. 3 PM and states the man was still on the rifle range firing. He states the FBI has talked to him. GRIJALVA ID the mug shot of Sirhan out of 4 look alike, as the man he mentioned above being at the gun club on 6-4-68.

Interview taped - tape #29221, Side #1 #4.

See-Adendum for GRIJALVA & Sirhan positions at the gun club. GRIJALVA did not see anyone with or anyone talking to Sirhan.

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SIRHAN AT POSITION #20 OR 21 PER RICHARD GRIGALVAS STATEMENTS

STORAGE SHACK

PISTOL RANGE

REPAIR SHACK

CONTROL TOWER



RICHARD GRIGALVAS POSITION WHILE OBSERVING SIRHAN FIRING ON THE PISTOL RANGE RIFLE RANGE

GRIGALVAS ALSO AT POSITION #36 RIFLE RANGE

PARKING AREA

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB 4001 FISH CANYON RD DUARTE, CALIF.

NOT DRAWN TO SCALE

PERSON INTERVIEWED: GRIJALVA, Roberta DATE/TIME 7-5-68, 12 noonSEX F RACE Cauc HAIR Blk EYES Brn HT 5-5 WT 140 DOB 12-2-48RESIDENCE ADDRESS 9011 S. Morrill, Santa Fe Springs PHONE 695-3193BUSINESS ADDRESS 14612 East Whittier Boulevard PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Interview conducted July 5, 1968, 12 noon, at above residence address. Roberta Grijalva arrived at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte, June 4, 1968, 12 noon, along with her brother, Richard Grijalva (see interview I-990).

Grijalva states she was watching her brother fire his rifles on the rifle range at approximately position 38. She heard rapid firing coming from the pistol range but did not go to the pistol range or see who was doing the rapid firing. Grijalva identified the mug shot of Sirhan from four look alikes as the person she saw at the gun club rifle range, June 4, 1968. Grijalva states Sirhan Sirhan came to the rifle range approximately 2:45 p.m., took position 34 and was firing a .22 automatic rifle and had three boxes of ammo in a red, blue, and white box with a big "X" printed on the outside. Grijalva describes Sirhan as a male, foreign descent, 22-23, 5'1½", thin build, dark pants, dark blue sweater cardigan, dark sunglasses. Grijalva states there were three other people on the rifle range at about position 36. #1, male Caucasian, 30, 5'8", medium build. #2, female Caucasian, 25, blond, dark capris and light-colored blouse. #3, male Caucasian, 21, 5'10", thin build, blond hair, dark pants and cowboy boots. Grijalva left approximately 3 p.m. Sirhan was still firing. FBI Agents Bagley and Laner interviewed Grijalva. Grijalva did not see anyone with or talking to Sirhan.

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:

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I-69

INTERVIEWS - JUNE 7, 1968 KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521-466

GRILL, NAN - Res. 13530 Moorpark Sher. Oaks St. 91484

This person contacted by phone and she stated she saw a man carrying a sign which was Anti-Kennedy. This man was with two other men and women who she can I.D. This occurred at sports arean when Kennedy spoke there.

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INTERVIEWS- JUNE 11; 1968 KENNEDY SHOOTING DR 68-521-466
GUMM, Darrel Munirs. Probation Office, contacted at 796-9361 Ext.
296 Probation office at 115 South Los Robles Pasadena.

Stated he heard rumors that Munir bought the gun for Sirhan, Gumm spoke with Munir on 6-10-68 pm and Munir denied buying the gun. Gumm met Sirhan several times but only in connection with his visits to the home to talk to Munir. The name Gwendolyn means nothing to Mr. Gumm

GUMMINS Intell. Div.

INTERVIEWS

FILE # I-21

Person(s) Interviewed: GUY, Virginia Date 6-21-68 130pm

SUPPL TO I-94

Reporter for Flair Magazine

Business Address & Phone 4319 18th St., N/W Wash. DC 882-4319

Residence Address & Phone

Information (To be complete the report should include: Who, What, When, Where, Why, & How)

The following interview was conducted by phone from Sen. Kennedy's office in Wash. DC

SUPPL TO I-94

SEE - ATTACHED STATEMENT

Investigators making interview
Mac Arthur & Patchett

Approved by:

LT. Penn

1 STATEMENT OF VIRGINIA GUY, REPORTER FOR FLAIR MAGAZINE,
4319 18TH STREET NORTHWEST, WASHINGTON, D.C., 882-4319.

2 After the Senator finished his speech, I was preceding him
3 through the kitchen area to the Colonial Room. I was
4 8 or 10 feet in front of him when I heard the shots. As
5 to what happened next, I am not really sure. I can remember
6 other people being nearby, one was Dick Drayne. I remember
7 someone saying, "Something happened to Bobby." I remember
8 seeing Bobby was down and had been shot. Most of the
9 details are very hazy in my mind. I do not remember seeing
10 a suspect or anyone actually doing the shooting. Like I
11 said, everything was very hazy.

12 From the statements made by witness, she places
13 herself in the vicinity of the second metal steam table.
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Informants Name:

Business Address & Phone: ~~221-0287~~ 358 9961

HAGER, Lloyd

4001 Fish Canyon Rd. Duarte

Residence & Phone:

860 RANDOM LANE EL 83058

Investigator Receiving Info:

Date & Time Received:

McGowan

~~8-3-68~~
6-17-68

INFORMATION:

MGR. OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB, TO
BE INTERVIEWED.

ASSIGNED TO: McGowan

(Tape Made)

ACTION TAKEN - RESULTS: 6/17/68 12:45 PM

INFOR. INTERVIEWED ON 6-17-68 AT THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB. HAGER IS THE MGR OF THE CLUB & HAS HAD EVERETT BUCKNER (K13) IN HIS EMPLOYEE ~~FOR~~ FOR THE PAST 2 MOS. BUCKNER WORKED AS RANGE MASTER & AMMO SALES. BUCKNER WAS SO EMPLOYED ON 6-4-68.

HAGER DID NOT SEE SIRMAN AT THE RANGE ON 6-4-68, ~~AND~~ IN FACT HE HAS NEVER SEEN SIRMAN BEFORE HE APPEARED ON TV 6-5-68 12:45/105 PM

Date/Time Completed: 6/20/68 10:29

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HAGER WAS FIRST AWARE THAT SIRHAN HAD FIRED AT THE S.G.U. GUN CLUB 6-4-68 ON ~~6-6-68~~ 6-6-68. MR. CHARLES KENDALL (J 216) A MEMBER OF THE CLUB CAME TO THE CLUB ON 6-6-68 & ASKED HAGER IF HE KNEW SIRHAN THE MAN THAT SHOT KENNEDY HAD FIRED ON 6-4-68. HAGER DID NOT BELIEVE KENDALL, HOWEVER WHEN HE CHECKED THE ROSTER FOR 6-4-68 HE DISCOVERED SIRHAN HAD SIGNED IN FOR THAT DATE.

HE DID NOT MAKE ANY NOTIFICATIONS UNTIL 6-7-68. ON THAT DATE HE CALLED L.A.P.D. PRIOR TO CALLING L.A.P.D. HE DISCUSSED THE MATTER WITH CLUB PRESIDENT MR. JOSEPH TESCHER (HOME ADD. 2275 OAK Knoll SAN MARINO CA 91763 - BUS ADD. 612 S FLOWER MA 93631) & VICE PRES. MAYNARD GOODALL (HOME ADD. 1615 DUNCANNON AVE DUARTE 91312 BUS ADD. SANTA ANITA ENG. CO. PASADENA 91366) BOTH TESCHER & MAYNARD AGREED TO MAKE NOTIFICATIONS.

HAGER VALIDATED BACKMANS STATEMENT THAT TARGETS # 23 & 24 ADDENDUM #1 WERE CLOSED FOR REPAIR ON 6-4-68.

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TOWER

STORAGE
SHACK

PISTOL RANGE

REPAIR SHACK

RIFLE RANGE

PARKING AREA

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB 4001 FISH CANYON RD. DUARTE, CALIF.

NOT DRAWN TO SCALE

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FILE # I-1337

PERSON INTERVIEWED: HAMILL, Pete DATE/TIME 10-9-68 2:30pm

SEX RACE HAIR EYES HT WT DOB

RESIDENCE ADDRESS PHONE (212) 499-9213

BUSINESS ADDRESS PHONE (212) 758-8980 Ex. 20

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

RE-INTERVIEW OF WITNESS REGARDING HIS OBSERVATIONS (IMPRESSIONS) OF THE SHOOTING.

Witness was walking toward the Colonial Room, preceeding Senator Kennedy, in the area of the West end of the ice machines. He had turned and was walking backwards, looking at the Senator. He described the Senator standing with his body facing in an Easterly direction and his head turned to his left in a Northerly direction. His right arm was across his body and he was shaking hands. He was standing approximately 2' South of the South end of the first steam table and approximately 4' West of the West edge of the table. The suspect was standing approximately 4' to 6' from the Senator, near the center of the same table. His right foot was forward and his right arm was extended with the gun in his right hand. Witness estimated the gun was about 2' from the Senator. He indicated he could be off on the distances due to the circumstances.

He heard the shots and it was then that he first saw the suspect in the above described position. However, he did not see the flashes from the gun nor the Senator being hit. His view of the suspect's face was a left profile. He described the suspect as having a look of determined concentration on his face. He next saw the Senator with his right hand up in the air.

In reviewing the moment of the incident, witness recalled that he froze. His next recollection was that of Rosie Grier rushing toward the suspect. He was informed that there was about a twenty second period between the shooting and Grier arriving. He replied that he did not recall what happened during that period.

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW: Sgt. F. Patchett

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Date 8/6/68

Mr. PETE HAMILL was interviewed at his temporary residence, 196 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn, New York, telephone number 638-8215. He stated that he will be moving within a week to 479 14th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

He is a free lance writer and on June 4-5, 1968, while living in California, he covered the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign.

During the evening of June 4, 1968, prior to Senator KENNEDY making his victory speech, HAMILL was in Senator KENNEDY's suite in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, with Senator KENNEDY and JIMMY BRESLIN, the writer. HAMILL went to the elevator with Senator KENNEDY when Senator KENNEDY was on his way to make his victory speech.

There was confusion at the elevators and HAMILL did not get on the same elevator with Senator KENNEDY.

During Senator KENNEDY's speech, HAMILL stood on the podium to Senator KENNEDY's rear and left. This was near the left rear corner of the podium near some drapes and some stairs that went down. Standing near HAMILL were GEORGE PLIMPTON, the writer, and PLIMPTON's wife, FREDDY. Standing near the stairs was BILL BARRY of Senator KENNEDY's staff.

During the speech "a guy" or a "kid" tried to get on the podium by coming through the drapes which were in back of HAMILL. BILL BARRY noticed this individual and told him to get out. HAMILL would not recognize this individual if he saw him again.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, HAMILL or PLIMPTON asked BILL BARRY which way to go out.

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