interviewed by this office with the exception of MURIEL LEE, who did not actually observe the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY nor did she observe SIRHAN prior to the shooting. Interview of MURIEL LEE will be conducted by the Los Angeles Office and the results set forth in a forthcoming Los Angeles report.

It is noted that this list of witnesses does not include any technical or medical witnesses. The names of such witnesses to be used have not as yet been furnished by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office.

For the information of the Bureau, as of approximately noon, 12/4/68, the Pasadena Police Department, who have had a fixed observation post on the SIRHAN residence in Pasadena, advised that this was now being given up. The Pasadena Police Department advises that the security measures in effect will be (1) frequent pass-bys by a police cruiser and a stop by a police cruiser at the residence at least once a day, (2) the installation of a "hot telephone" at the SIRHAN home so that anyone at the residence wishing to contact the Pasadena Police Department may do so by merely lifting the receiver.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
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CONTEMPLATED LIST OF WITNESSES FOR THE CASE IN CHIEF IN THE TRIAL OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

Reference Los Angeles letterhead memorandum, dated December 3, 1968, entitled, "Contemplated List of Witnesses for the Trial of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan."

As of December 10, 1968, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office is contemplating using the following individuals in their case in behalf in the forthcoming trial of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

Witnesses Relating to the Custody of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan

Jess Buckley
Donald Day
Guadalupe De La Garza
John Dill
Martin Dismukes
L. R. Edelman
Louis Estrella
James Evans
Frank Foster
Merton Howe
Kenneth E. Jones
E. N. Kamidoi
Willie Nunley
Marion Pearse
Arthur Placentia
W. A. Strickle
Travis White
Fred Willoughby

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Witnesses Who Observed Sirhan Bishara Sirhan At the Pasadena City College Cafeteria On The Evening of June 4, 1968

Marouf Badran
Abdo Malki
Gaymoard Mistri
Anwar Sayegh

Witnesses Who Observed Sirhan Bishara Sirhan At The Fish Canyon Firing Range, Monrovia, California On June 4, 1968

Everett Buckner
Henry Carreon
David Montellano
Mike Saccoman
Claudia Williams
Ronald Williams

Witnesses Present At the Ambassador Hotel On The Night of June 4, 1968, and/or Early Morning Of June 5, 1968

William Barry
Harold Burba
Frank Burns
Vincent Di Pierro
Angelo Di Pierro

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Jack Gallivan
Roosevelt Grier
Rafer Johnson
Robert Klase
Edward Minasian
Martin Patsusky
Jesus Perez
George Plimpton
Juan Romero
Judy Royer
Karl Uecker
Jesse Unruh
Lisa Urso

Contemplated Witnesses To Testify To Weapon Used By Sirhan Bishara Sirhan

A. L. Coffey
James Clarence Pineda
Albert Leslie Hertz
Mrs. Albert Leslie Hertz
Mrs. Dana Westlake
George Erhard
William E. Price

Photographers Present At The Hotel Who Will Testify

Ron Bennett
Bill Eppridge

Other Witness To Be Summoned

Alvin Clark - Refuse Collector at Sirhan's residence

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RE: KENSALT
OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau and Los Angeles letterhead memorandum, both dated 12/3/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth the contemplated list of witnesses for the case in chief which the office of the Los Angeles County District Attorney anticipated using for the forthcoming trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The trial has been schedules to commence 1/7/69, and according to Assistant Los Angeles County District Attorney DAVID FITTS, one of the three members of the prosecutive team who was contacted on 12/10/68, the names appearing in the enclosed letterhead memorandum, were included in the previous list submitted to the Bureau with the exception of the following:

ANGELO DI PIERRO
RON BENNETT
BILL EPPRIDGE
K. L. COFFEY
JAMES CLARENCE PINEDA (Pasadena Gun Shop Employee who prepared receipt for sale of pistol, 8/10/65, used by SIRHAN)
ALBERT LESLIE HERTZ
Mrs. ALBERT LESLIE HERTZ
Mrs. DANA WESTLAKE
GEORGE ERHARD
WILLIAM E. PRICE
ALVIN CLARK

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FITTS also advised that on 12/10/68, a conference was held with the prosecutive staff and GRANT C. COOPER, one of SIRHAN's attorneys. During the conference it was suggested by COOPER that a polygraph examination be afforded to SIRHAN restricted to questions concerning any possible conspiratorial aspect to this investigation. COOPER suggested this with the understanding that anything obtained from such an examination would not be used against SIRHAN in his trial. Further, that anything COOPER desired to use in defense of SIRHAN at any subsequent executive clemency hearing could be used.

COOPER further suggested that the possibility of a nolle contendre plea be entered in SIRHAN's behalf with respect to the five counts he is charged with in addition to the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

COOPER further expressed a desire for further psychiatric and/or physiological examinations of SIRHAN. He further suggested a possibility of an exchange of information with respect to the medical findings.

COOPER further submitted for consideration of the prosecutive staff a possible guilty plea in behalf of SIRHAN after the jury is selected and sworn in. This procedure would then, according to COOPER's desires, obviate the necessity of a trial to determine guilt. The jury would then merely hear evidence to determine the degree of penalty following the guilty plea.

FITTS advised further that during their conversation COOPER made reference to SIRHAN having been in Corona, California, on the Sunday preceeding the assassination, 6/2/68. COOPER did not enlarge upon the allusion to the above date, nor was he questioned about it. According to FITTS, nothing has been developed to date in any investigative efforts which has possibly or suggestively placed SIRHAN in Corona, California on 6/2/68. Further, investigation by the Los Angeles Division has not placed SIRHAN in Corona, California, on that date.

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SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR.

KENSALT

On 12/12/68, ROY KEENE made available a copy of a letter given to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office by Attorney GRANT C. COOPER, who represents SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. A copy of this letter is attached hereto and sets forth additional information being sought by COOPER in the defense of his client.

On 12/12/68, the contents of this letter were discussed with Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney DAVID FITTS, one of the three member prosecutive team who will prosecute SIRHAN. FITTS explained that his office was examining the information being requested by COOPER and had not, as of 12/12/68, given COOPER a reply. He stated, however, in preliminary discussion with Assistant Los Angeles County District Attorney LYNN COMPTON, it was decided that in all probability, the information being requested by COOPER would not be made available to him unless the court so ordered.

On 12/13/68, a conference was held in the office of the Deputy Chief of Police, ROBERT HOUGHTON, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Detective Bureau. Present at the meeting in addition to Mr. HOUGHTON, were DAVID FITTS and JOHN HOWARD of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office; Captain HUGH BROWN and Lieutenant ROY KEENE of the LAPD; ROBERT L. BROSIO, Chief Criminal Deputy, Los Angeles United States Attorney's Office, and SA LA JEUNESSE.

At the meeting, the contents of the above described letter were discussed, at which time it was generally agreed upon, based upon the suggestions of FITTS and HOWARD, that none of the information requested by COOPER would be voluntarily turned over to him upon his request.

It is the intention of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office to abide by any court ruling with respect to the information being sought by COOPER.

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Mr. FITTS explained that in all probability, COOPER could not appear before the court earlier than on or about 12/20/68 to petition the court for the information being sought by him under the California Law of Discovery. FITTS further explained that in all likelihood, Superior Court Judge HERBERT B. WALKER would rule favorably for COOPER and order the 16 items listed in the attached letter to be turned over to COOPER for the defense of SIRHAN.

In addition to the foregoing, FITTS and HOWARD advised that COOPER has discussed with their office the probability of his being indicted by Federal Grand Jury in connection with alleged activities arising out of the recent Friar's Club trial. COOPER represented one of the defendants in that trial in United States District Court. It is the contention of both HOWARD and FITTS that in the event COOPER is, in fact, indicted by Federal Grand Jury during the SIRHAN trial, that COOPER would seek and very possibly be granted a mistrial by Judge WALKER. In the event COOPER is indicted by a Federal Grand Jury prior to 1/6/69, he will in all probability withdraw as the attorney for SIRHAN. In the latter event, further proceedings against SIRHAN would in all probability be again delayed.

It was the stated intention of Mr. HOUGHTON that the LAPD would surrender no information to COOPER which they received from the FBI. His contention was that any such request or court order should be directed to the Office of the Los Angeles County District Attorney.

Mr. BROSIO, during the meeting, commented that in the event COOPER is, in fact, indicted by Federal Grand Jury, such an indictment could not possibly be accomplished prior to 12/22/68 explaining further that additional delays might be encountered since a new Federal Grand Jury would be impaneled to sit on or about that date.

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Abraham Alex
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COURT APPEARANCE OF
SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN
12/18/68

On 12/18/68, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN reappeared in Los Angeles County Superior Court before Judge HERBERT V. WALKER. The purpose of that appearance was to include Attorney EMILE ZOLA BERMAN, of New York City, as another attorney to represent SIRHAN in his trial which is scheduled to commence on 1/6/69.

During the same appearance, Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney JOHN HOWARD requested the court to hear the matter of sequestering the jury during the trial. HOWARD stated his objections to such sequestering and Attorney GRANT C. COOPER, also representing SIRHAN, argued in favor of a sequestered jury. Judge WALKER ruled that the jury would be sequestered during the entire trial. He further ruled that the members of the jury's family would be permitted to visit with them on weekends during the trial with usual security precaution in effect.

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COURT APPEARANCE OF
SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN
AT CORONA, CALIFORNIA,
POLICE DEPARTMENT PISTOL RANGE
ON 6/1/68

On 12/18/68, Lieutenant ROY KEENE, Los Angeles Police Department, SUS Unit, advised that his department has developed information indicating that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN utilized the Corona, California, Police Department Pistol Range on 6/1/68. The register maintained at the range has been backed up by the Los Angeles Police Department and found to bear SIRHAN's signature. According to KEENE, investigation thusfar conducted at the range resulted in a tentative identity of SIRHAN at the range. However, that identity is somewhat tenuous and further investigation is being conducted.

In addition to the foregoing, the Los Angeles Police Department is in the process of obtaining the registers for all ranges in San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and Los Angeles Counties from February 1968 to 6/5/68.

The foregoing was developed and additional efforts being undertaken based upon a remark attributed to GRANT C. COOPER in the conversation some weeks ago with a member of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. During that conversation, COOPER is alleged to have stated something to the effect that SIRHAN had practiced shooting three times. Inasmuch as two ranges utilized by SIRHAN have now been identified, the Los Angeles Police Department is seeking to identify the third range reportedly used by him.

KENNETH BLAY

Lieutenant KEENE also advised on 12/18/68, that his department has completed investigation regarding a check

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bearing SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN's name which was passed in the Corona area in 1966. Information concerning this check has previously been furnished to the Bureau. It has been determined that KENNETH BLAY, a former employee of Altfillisch Horse Farm, for whom SIRHAN also worked, has admitted stealing and endorsing the checks in question, one of which was SIRHAN's.

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On 12/13/68, a meeting was held between representatives of the Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County DA's Office, U. S. Attorney's Office, and the Los Angeles Division. At that meeting it was the stated intention of the DA's Office to refuse to make available to COOPER those items requested in the letter. Deputy Los Angeles County District Attorney JOHN HOWARD, however, advised that in all probability Superior Court Judge HERBERT V. WALKER would order those items be made available to COOPER in the event COOPER appeared before him formally requesting the.

On 12/23/68, COOPER appeared before Superior Court Judge WALKER at which time JOHN HOWARD representing the Los Angeles County DA's Office was present. At that time, COOPER made formal demand upon the DA's Office for the items desired under the California Law of Discovery. Judge WALKER granted the motion ordering those items turned over to COOPER. The DA's Office immediately complied with the court order.

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