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GRESHAM stated that no one had ever mentioned possible assassination of KENNEDY to him prior to the assassination itself.

GRESHAM catagorically denied making any anti-KENNEDY statements at any time to anyone and stated that he definitely did not talk to anyone about the possible assassination of Mr. KENNEDY.

GRESHAM stated that he belongs to Local 582 of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union in Santa Ana, and he did not make any political statements there. He stated that he was at a loss to understand how someone could allege that he would make anti-KENNEDY statements when he was actually a supporter of Mr. KENNEDY. He tried to think of people whom he had seen during the month of June, and he indicated he had seen his stepdaughter and her husband, his stepson, his stepson's wife's mother, some real estate man who had visited his home. He had received some phone calls in connection with his house, which is for sale; but he did not discuss politics with any of these people.

He stated that he does recall that a young man, whose name is unknown to him, came to his house about three weeks ago and asked him about the house, which was for sale, and also inquired of him if he could help the man with some work in Pomona, California. He talked to this man about an hour and then about a week later the man came and wanted to know if he had changed his mind about working, and he was there about only 15 minutes. No mention of politics or the assassination was made at the times of their conversations. They primarily talked about the house and about their respective careers in the U. S. Army. He stated he could not remember the man's name and did not think he had written it down. He stated he had not heard from the man since that time.

GRESHAM described the man as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White

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Age	About 22 - 23 years
Height	About 5'9½"
Weight	About 180 pounds
Hair	Brown
Marital Status	Married
Children	One
Occupation	Self-employed as a cleanup man

GRESHAM stated he had resided at that residence since 1963, and between 1960 and 1963 he had resided on Patavia Street in Orange. He came to California in 1964 from Charleston, West Virginia, where he had lived since childhood. He stated he was a widower whose wife had died 34 years ago, and he had re-married several years ago. GRESHAM is described as follows:

Name	CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM
Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Data	October 9, 1906, West Virginia
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Grey
Height	5'8"
Weight	180 pounds
Build	Medium
Discharge	Honorably discharged from U. S. Army, 1942-1945
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
Father	WHEELER JOHN GRESHAM Charleston, West Virginia
Mother	BESSIE JANE LYNCH GRESHAM West Virginia
Political Affiliation	Democrat all his life

GRESHAM stated that he is willing to take a lie detector test concerning the allegation that he had made statements against Senator KENNEDY and about the possible assassination, before and after the actual assassination.

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1Date 7/2/68

Mrs. DELSIE GRESHAM, also known as Mrs. Clifford Daniel Gresham, was contacted at her employment at Mary's Draperies at 1210 North Batavia, Orange, California.

She was advised that interviewing agent had just interviewed her husband at their residence, and she was asked if her husband had ever mentioned the possible assassination of Senator KENNEDY prior to the assassination.

Mrs. GRESHAM replied that he had not and that it had not entered either her mind or his to the best of her knowledge.

When asked if her husband had discussed the political campaign with anyone, she stated that she and her husband have made it a policy not to discuss politics or religion.

Mrs. GRESHAM was advised that an allegation had been made in which her husband had made statements concerning the possible assassination of Senator KENNEDY prior to the assassination. She stated that the allegation must be false, but she has no idea of anyone who would be an enemy of her husband to make such allegations.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING STATEMENT  
ALLEGEDLY MADE BY A WAITRESS NAMED  
"LISA" IN SHERMAN HOUSE COFFEE SHOP,  
CHICAGO, ON JUNE 1, 1968, THAT SHE  
HAD JUST HEARD SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY  
HAD BEEN SHOT IN THE HEAD

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On the evening of June 5, 1968, LARRY SHERMAN of the Puritan Finance Corporation, Chicago, Illinois, telephonically advised the Chicago Office of the FBI that on Saturday, June 1, 1968, he was having coffee with a friend in the Sherman House Coffee Shop, located at Madison and Randolph Streets in Chicago. SHERMAN advised that a waitress, whom he knows only as "LISA", came to the table and stated she had just heard that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had just been shot in the head. Shortly thereafter, she returned to the table and stated she had been misinformed in this regard.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mr. LARRY SHERMAN, Puritan Finance Corporation, <sup>Date</sup> June 14, 1968, 188 West Randolph Street, was re-interviewed concerning the information he previously furnished about a waitress at the Sherman House Coffee Shop informing him on Saturday, June 1, 1968, that she had just heard that "ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head."

Mr. SHERMAN stated he and a group of four other men were having lunch at the Sherman House Coffee Shop (Clark and Randolph) between 1:00 and 2:00 P.M., June 1, 1968. While having lunch one of his waitresses, a LISA, or similar sounding name, informed his group that she had just heard that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head. Mr. SHERMAN stated he and his group were "stunned" by the news and while the group was discussing the information, the waitress returned and said she was mistaken about KENNEDY being shot in the head but made no attempt to clarify her mistake or elaborate further.

Mr. SHERMAN described the waitress as being white female in her 50's, about 5'6", weighing 140 - 145 pounds, dark hair, wore glasses and spoke with a slight accent, possibly German. He stated his group sat in the South East corner of the Coffee Shop.

Mr. SHERMAN stated since Senator KENNEDY was shot in the head on June 5, 1968, he thought he should furnish the above information to the FBI.

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Date June 18, 1968

On June 6, 1968, EVA JASPERSON, Manager, Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Street, advised that she remembered the incident or "rumor" about ROBERT KENNEDY being shot in the head. She stated it happened Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, and stated she did not know who started the rumor, but she did know it was a statement made in error by one of the waitresses "overhearing" a conversation between a customer and another waitress. This concerned KENNEDY receiving a blow on the head which was misconstrued as being shot in the head and subsequently passed on in error to other customers.

Miss JASPERSON stated the waitresses on duty Saturday afternoon June 1, 1968, who worked the South east section of the coffee shop were ROSE TURCK, LEE DENNIS and BEATRICE PIEPKORN.

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LEE DENNIS, waitress; Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Streets, advised she remembered the incident of Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, concerning KENNEDY being shot. She heard BEATRICE PIEPKORN, another waitress in the coffee shop, talking to ROSE TURCK, waitress, about KENNEDY being hit in the head. She stated ROSE misinterpreted the information and passed it on to a group of customers that KENNEDY had been shot in the head. After ROSE learned that the information was not true either ROSE or BEA informed the customers that the information about KENNEDY was not true.

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BEATRICE PIEPKORN, waitress, Sherman House Coffee Shop, stated the whole terrible mistake was started in error by one of the waitresses repeating information furnished to her by PIEPKORN when the other waitress misunderstood.

PIEPKORN advised that she was talking to one of her customers who informed her that there was an article in the Saturday Chicago newspaper about KENNEDY being at the beach in California and someone (thought to be one of his children) was caught in an undertow and Senator KENNEDY in an attempt to save this person was hit on the head by a rock or surfboard. She stated she and the customer were discussing the newspaper article and she passed it on to one of the other waitresses claiming she (PIEPKORN) said "Did you hear about Senator KENNEDY being hit in the head?", which, of course, was totally wrong.

She stated she had no intention of starting any such rumor. She was merely repeating information which appeared in the newspaper and through a misinterpretation of her original information it was conveyed to a few customers that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ANONYMOUS  
CALL RECEIVED BY CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT AN ARAB  
NAMED "ABDO" WAS INVOLVED IN THE  
SHOOTING OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

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Sergeant FRED ANDERSON, I. I. D., Chicago, Illinois, Police Department, advised the Chicago Office of the FBI on June 5, 1968, that an anonymous call had just been received at the police department. The anonymous caller stated that an Arab named "ABDO" was involved in the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. "ABDO" was reported to live at 5313 South 73rd Street, Summit, Illinois. The caller further indicated that "something surprising" would be found in the garage at this address.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/14/68

GLORIA ABDO, 5313 South 73rd Street, Summit, Illinois, advised that she is the wife of RICHARD ABDO. She stated that she and her husband have been residing at that address for approximately three years. She described her husband as follows: White male, born June 20, 1929, at Chicago, Illinois; height, 6'; weight, 220 pounds; brown eyes; brown hair; Selective Service Number 11-060-29-0098, discharged Corporal, 1954, ER 55264279; place of employment, Basic Brothers Construction Company, 61st and Cicero.

She stated that he is of Lebanese extraction, but that he lived his entire life in Chicago.

She stated that she is absolutely positive that her husband had nothing to do with the KENNEDY killing, and that she would be glad to allow agents to search her garage.

She then executed a form setting forth her rights and waiving them to be giving permission to have the garage at the rear of 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois, searched.

The search of said garage by SAs GACCIONE and WACKS revealed nothing of an incriminating nature.

Mrs. ABDO stated possibly her landlord, who she has had difficulties with, had made the telephone call suggesting that something incriminating was in her garage. She had no other idea as to why someone would attempt to involve her husband with the KENNEDY killing.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/17/68

CHARLES B. MILLER, Assistant Vice-President, Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, 3430 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is the owner of the building at 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois. MILLER advised that the ABDO family were not model tenants, but neither did he think that RICHARD ABDO would have had anything to do with the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that he had not made a telephone call to the Chicago Police Department suggesting a tie-up between Mr. ABDO and the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that various tenants have lived downstairs from the ABDO family and RICHARD ABDO has had some difficulties with them. He therefore suggested that possibly one of the tenants had made the telephone call. He did not recall the names and addresses of tenants, but said if necessary he could make them available to the FBI Office.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING RUMOR  
REPORTED BY KASS LITZENBERG ON  
JUNE 2, 1968, PREDICTING SOME  
POLITICAL FIGURE WAS GOING TO BE KILLED

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/3/68

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GARY MICHAEL PARIZEK, 1299 California Street, who is the Assistant Manager of the Supply Section of the bookstore, San Francisco State College, San Francisco, California, furnished the following information:

KASS LITZENBERG, 1537 Lardner Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a female acquaintance, talked with PARIZEK by telephone on Sunday, June 2, 1968, about 2:00 p.m. During the course of conversation, she mentioned she had either heard a rumor or something on the radio, he does not recall which, predicting that some political figure was going to be killed. No mention was made as to who was going to be killed or when the killing would take place. What she said was rather vague, and PARIZEK did not pay any particular attention to it at the time.

Two days later, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated, PARIZEK recalled the above-referred-to remarks of LITZENBERG, and wondered if what she had heard had any connection with the assassination of Senator KENNEDY.

In a telephone conversation with LITZENBERG subsequent to the KENNEDY assassination, she referred to their previous conversation in which she had mentioned the prediction she heard to the effect a political figure was going to be killed, and said she guessed that whatever the rumor had been, it must have been correct.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/3/681

Miss BARBARA HOFPAUER, 576 Valencia Street, Apartment 304, employed as a clerk at the bookstore, San Francisco State College, 1600 Holloway, advised that on the afternoon of June 4, 1968, one of her co-workers, GARY MICHAEL PARIZEK, also known as Mike Parizek, came to her and asked if she had heard about a rumor going around the bookstore. He explained that on the evening of June 3, 1968, he had received a telephone call from a girl in Pennsylvania, who said there was going to be a killing on June 6, 1968. PARIZEK did not give the name of this girl. No mention was made of Los Angeles, California, or the name KENNEDY, although she, HOFPAUER, immediately thought of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in view of the earlier assassination of President KENNEDY. According to HOFPAUER, PARIZEK is a nervous person and following the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, PARIZEK was so upset and sick he had to take three days off from work. PARIZEK is employed as the Assistant Supply Manager at the bookstore, although he is currently on vacation. He lives at 1999 California Street, San Francisco.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/11/68

Miss KASS LITZENBERG, 1537 Lardner Street, phone # CU 9-4232, advised that she did not recall making a statement concerning a rumor or prediction that ROBERT F. KENNEDY or some political figure would be killed. She stated that she does recall many people discussing the predictions made by a JEAN DICKSON (or similar name), of Washington, D.C., and she may have referred to the predictions of DICKSON or to the fact she heard a discussion of this. She said she cannot recall the exact prediction made by DICKSON.

Miss LITZENBERG stated she has no information concerning the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. She stated she does not know JEAN DICKSON, anyone connected with the KENNEDY family, or anyone connected with the alleged assassin of Senator KENNEDY.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ABBAS  
JIBRIL, WHO INDICATED APPROXIMATELY ONE  
YEAR AGO HE WAS A MEMBER OF A SECRET  
ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WAS  
ASSASSINATION OR "DOING AWAY WITH"  
POLITICAL FIGURES

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On June 5, 1968, WILLIAM SHAW, Director of Security, Argonne Laboratories, Lemont, Illinois, advised the FBI Office in Chicago, Illinois, that approximately one year ago, information was received by his office from ART LINDENBAUM and Doctor (FNU) FEINSTEIN, both employed at Argonne Laboratories, Biological and Medical Research Unit. This information concerned an individual named ABBAS JIBIL, also employed at Argonne Laboratories, Biological and Medical Research Unit. SHAW advised that JIBIL worked with LINDENBAUM and Doctor FEINSTEIN approximately one year ago, was a Jordanian, and also indicated that he was a member of a secret organization whose purpose was assassination or "doing away with" political figures.

SHAW further advised he was told by LINDENBAUM that JIBIL was working for an unknown physician under a grant, during the fall of 1967, at Northwestern University.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 14, 1968

ARTHUR LINDENBAUM, Scientist, Biology - Medical, Building 202, Room 277, provided the following information:

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LINDENBAUM stated one day he was able to get JIBRIL into a lengthy discussion concerning his feelings at which time JIBRIL "broke down" emotionally and began making various statements, including one dealing with "keeping track of the Jews" and mentioning plans to "take care of the Jews." JIBRIL also spoke of an organization which is "taking care" of the above-mentioned items. He did not state the name or location of this organization. At no time did he mention anything about political leaders or attempted assassination of any individuals.

LINDENBAUM advised he then spoke with Dr. ROBERT FEINSTEIN, Argonne Laboratory, concerning these statements at which time FEINSTEIN felt the matter should be discussed with the Argonne Security Department. This was the only contact FEINSTEIN had with this situation as he only knew JIBRIL from having seen him in the building.

LINDENBAUM advised after discussing this matter with the Security Department he learned JIBRIL had approached two other individuals.

One of the individuals approached was a Negro who is employed in the building. According to the unrecalled source of this information, JIBRIL was talking to this Negro

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about being a member of a minority race and perhaps he, the Negro, should join forces with JIBRIL, a Jordanian, yet no specific objective was stated.

The other individual approached was Dr. KLAUS KUETTNER, currently employed at St. Luke Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. According to information received from KUETTNER, JIBRIL approached him and discussed the fact that the Germans, of which ancestry KUETTNER is a part, had a "hatred" for Jewish people and they, Dr. KUETTNER and JIBRIL, should join forces, again no specific purpose named.

LINDENBAUM pointed out it is his opinion JIBRIL, as a member of the Jordanian people, even though born in Palestine, which is now Israel, has such a deep emotional seating of his hatred of Jewish individuals, he is not able to adjust to life in the United States. LINDENBAUM advised he felt this was in all probability taught to JIBRIL as a youngster and this is the only line of thinking he knows.

LINDENBAUM again advised JIBRIL did not make any statements about political leaders, or figures, nor did he ever make any statements concerning any assassinations. He did note, however, JIBRIL did talk once about being involved in the murder or murders of British soldiers who were in Jordan when he, JIBRIL, was about fifteen or sixteen years of age.

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Date 6/14/68

ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL, a resident of 87th and Orchard Streets, Lemont, Illinois, was interviewed at West Suburban Hospital, 530 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois, where he is currently employed in the Department of Pathology, on leave from the Northwestern University Medical School, 303 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

JIBRIL is now age 38, and he stated that he was born in Palestine on September 5, 1929. He came to the United States in 1952, and attended Loyola University in Chicago. In 1956, he went to Canada so that he could return to the United States with a visa in order to enable himself to become an American citizen. He related that he returned to the United States with the visa in 1956 and ultimately obtained a PHD from Oklahoma University in 1964. He obtained his American citizenship in 1964 at Oklahoma City. He related that he is currently a consultant in pathology at West Suburban Hospital. He related that he was married in Chicago in 1961 to the former CAROLINE B. HOFFMAN, who was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin, and they have four children as follows: MONA, age 6, DEANAH, age 4, SARAH, age 2, and OTHMAN, age 1. He stated he has one brother in the United States, ABDEL KIRIM JIBRIL, age 28, who was also born in Palestine, and who is also employed at West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois.

He stated that his father, OTHMAN JIBRIL, age 67, is residing in Israel-occupied Palestine and he has another brother, OMAR JIBRIL, who is employed by the Ministry of Finance, Amman, Jordan. In addition, he has two brothers in Israel-occupied Palestine and also a sister in that location. He also has a sister living in Kuwait and another sister residing in Amman, Jordan.

He stated that approximately one year ago, he was employed at the Argonne Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois,

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and one of his superiors there at the time was ARTHUR LINDENBAUM. He said that LINDENBAUM was of Jewish extraction and was aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, was of Arab extraction. He said that LINDENBAUM was further aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, had been born and lived at least part of his life in Israel-occupied Palestine. He related that LINDENBAUM constantly "needled" him regarding Arab - Israeli relations, particularly in regard to the formation of the State of Israel in 1948 from former Arab territory. JIBRIL noted that he has a "low boiling point" over the Arab - Israeli political situation and LINDENBAUM, in his opinion, was obviously aware of this. He at first denied ever having made the statement to LINDENBAUM or anyone else that he was a member of a secret organization whose purpose was to assassinate political leaders and others in power in this country. Upon reflection, however, he stated that in the heat of argument with LINDENBAUM he may have in fact made such statement, however, if he did, it was merely an emotional outburst on his part, and had no basis in fact. He added that as far as he knows there is absolutely no Arab terrorist group operating in the United States, however, he does know that such groups do operate in Israel and in other areas of Palestine now occupied by the State of Israel.

He further commented that he does not personally know and never heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, the alleged assassinator of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

He stated that he considers himself a loyal American citizen and in this regard commented, "I love this country". He also related that he is Vice President of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine, which has no official address other than a post office box in Chicago, Illinois, the identity of which he does not know. He said the purpose of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine is to aid Arab refugees who have

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been forcibly removed from their homes by the formation of the State of Israel in 1948, as well as the former Arab lands which have been conquered by the State of Israel. According to JIBRIL, this aid consists of food and other necessities of life, such as clothing and medicine, but does not include firearms or other things of this nature.