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Miss SUSANNE LOCKE, 6545 South Victoria Street,
Los Angeles, California, furnished the following information:

She was a volunteer worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY during his campaign and was attending the election returns party in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968. While Senator KENNEDY was speaking, she was stationed at a position near the rear of the stage on the right side as one faces the stage, with a friend, ACQUILINE SULLIVAN, who had hurt her foot. It was late in the evening and when Senator KENNEDY finished speaking, she and ACQUILINE had moved into the kitchen area where Senator KENNEDY was subsequently shot. She and ACQUILINE had stepped onto a shelf-like ledge about four feet off the floor on the west side of the kitchen area. Also present in this area at the time were about four or five white jacketed hotel employees. As Senator KENNEDY passed by with his party, he was surrounded by friends and newspapermen. She turned to ACQUILINE and commented about how happy Mr. KENNEDY looked. After the KENNEDY party had passed, she heard cracking noises which sounded like exploding fire-crackers. She immediately realized, however, that the sounds were gunshot sounds and they were in rapid succession, a total of about eight or ten shots. At this specific time, she had lost sight of Senator KENNEDY. The gun sounds appeared to come from her left and she immediately jumped to the floor. She does not recall seeing anyone with a gun; and people immediately began pushing into the kitchen area from the Embassy Room, apparently attracted by the noise and excitement. Her friend, ACQUILINE, was having difficulty trying to get to the floor and she attempted to grab hold of her.

LOCKE noticed several men lying on the floor, one with blood on his forehead--his eyes open and staring, but she did not recognize any of these individuals on the floor as Senator KENNEDY. Another individual in her immediate vicinity, a woman whom she did not know, had blood on her head and appeared to be stumbling backwards. She was attempting to get help from her friend ACQUILINE but had lost sight of her and her other thought was to attempt to reach the gunman who had done the

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shooting. Somehow, she got turned around as people were pushing in all directions and was headed back toward the Embassy Room. Someone was apparently trying to close the double doors leading to the Embassy Room, but she was successful in getting out of the kitchen area and into a room behind the stage. She sat down and someone gave her a cigarette.

She does not recall seeing Senator KENNEDY after the shooting but believes that she may have seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at the hotel earlier in the evening; however, she is not sure of this. She recalls seeing a girl in the Embassy Room, just before Senator KENNEDY entered to speak, stationed near her immediate vicinity wearing a white shift with blue polka dots. She observed that the girl was not wearing a yellow press badge and thought that this to be very unusual since it was necessary to have such a badge to gain entry into the Embassy Room. She mentioned this to CAROL BRESHEARS who is in charge of the KENNEDY girls and Mrs. BRESHEARS pointed her out to a guard nearby. The girl was expressionless and seemed somewhat out of place where she was standing. She was a Caucasian in her early twenties, well proportioned, with long brown hair pulled back and tied behind her head. Her hair appeared to be dried out similar in appearance to hair of a girl who does a lot of swimming.

LOCKE is not acquainted with SIRHAN or his family and has no knowledge of any motive for shooting Senator KENNEDY. She realizes that many people were opposed to Senator KENNEDY as a presidential candidate, but does not consider this to be unusual.