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Did Sirhan Act Alone?

In Regardie's, Moldea's Evidence of Accomplices

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If Robert Kennedy was shot and killed by Sirhan Sirhan and Sirhan Sirhan alone 19 years ago next week, how then to explain:

(1) That the assassin stood nearly face to face with the senator, and several feet away, when the fatal bullets struck Kennedy from behind, at point-blank range?

(2) That ample evidence exists to suggest nine or more bullets were found in the kitchen pantry of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, where the shooting occurred, when the official murder weapon could fire only eight bullets?

People obsessed by such discrepancies have been asking these questions and many others for years; Dan Mokdea has asked them again in an article for **Regardie's** (June) published this week.

Moldea, whose appetite for byzantine intrigue is no secret (his recent book is "Dark Victory: Ronald Reagan, MCA and the Mob"), has exercised considerable restraint in not taking his speculation beyond the evidence. He portrays no conspiracy as such, but illuminates those elements of the case and investigation that make it implausible that Sirhan was the only assassin at the scene.

For the questions that are not likely to be answered—ever—Moldea believes we have the Los Angeles Police Department to thank. Some critical evidence in the case was destroyed long ago. But the vast majority of it remains under seal. Moldea, with the magazine's second, moves that the case be reopened. Witnesses and victims at the scene, as well as members of Robert Kennedy's court, reportedly agree.

