

Statement by:

LOWELL W. BRADFORD
Forensic Scientist
Consultant In Physical Evidence

Dated: OCT. 17, 1975

P. O. BOX 1148
SAN JOSE, CA. 95108

AREA CODE
(408) 378-4234

The findings of the firearms examiners is being improperly interpreted by the news media:

1. The examiners found that the Sirhan gun cannot be identified with the bullets from the crime scene.

2. The firearms evidence does not in and of itself establish a basis for a two gun proposition; likewise, this same proposition, on a basis of other evidence, is not precluded either.

The other evidence is as follows:

A. Witness' statements that another gun was being fired on the scene;

B. Bullet pathways contradictory to a direction from which Sirhan was firing;

C. Evidence of more than eight fired bullets.

If there are these types of controversies arising outside the scope of the bullet examinations, they deserve the same kind of consideration and systematic analysis, and evaluation to the point that problems are either resolved by the bullet examiners or that the subject is exhaustively treated.

The firearms examination simply closes one episode of evidence evaluation and should not constrain further efforts to resolve valid questions concerning the possibility of the firing of a second gun at the assassination scene.