DA to Ask Death for Sirhan

LOS ANGELES — (UPI) — The district attorney's office plans to seek the death penalty for Sirhan Sirhan, accused of assassinating Sen. Robert Kennedy.

A spokesman also disclosed that the possibility of a conspiracy is still being considered.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Lynn Compton, head of the three-man prosecution team, said he is preparing the case against Sirhan "with the idea of seeking the death penalty under the theory of first-degree murder, which includes premeditation."

He refused to say what evidence, if any, had been uncovered that would indicate a conspiracy.

Sirhan is scheduled to enter a plea Friday. Defense attorney Russell Parsons has refused to disclose the plea to be entered by the 24-year-old Jordanian.

Sirhan has four possible pleas: guilty, innocent, innocent by reason of insanity or a double plea of innocent and innocente by reason of insanity.