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NOW WE KNOW

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Although officials at GOF Headquarters initially came out with the information that Senator Edward J. Kennedy (D-Mass.) would not be the first choice from the Democratic Convention and probably would not be drafted to make the nomination, they are making the effort to make the following fact which has been kept secret for nine years to make their certitude that Teddy will remain on the sidelines during the coming presidential election, regardless of whether the Democrat Convention in Miami will want to draft him or not.

Back in 1963, shortly after President Kennedy's assassination, Robert F. Kennedy, while he was still Attorney General, conducted his own investigation of the death of his brother. That private investigation, which ran parallel with the official inquiry into the magnicide conducted by the Warren Commission, was featured by trips to this country by an Inspector Hamilton, former Chief Inspector of Scotland Yard. Hamilton, an old friend of Joseph P. Kennedy, with whom he had many contacts during the latter's ambassadorship in London, had been retained by Bobby to help unravel the real truth about the murder of J. F. K.

After long conferring with the members of the Kennedy family and making a few discreet soundings with his own contacts, Hamilton zeroed on the fact that the assassination of John Kennedy had occurred very shortly after his brother Bobby had made some preliminary moves of taking direct personal control of the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency; whose leadership he blamed for the Bay of Pigs fiasco. Hamilton, following the "CUI PRODEST" ("Whom does it benefit?") reasoning reached the conclusion that Bobby's move to seize control of the CIA had something to do with the murder of his elder brother.*

As Bobby's own assassination in 1968, it is not known whether Teddy has the documentation which Inspector Hamilton in his private investigation has been destroyed.

But reportedly Teddy has become convinced of the validity of Hamilton's conclusion, and furthermore considers it to have been further vindicated by Bobby's own death—which occurred within a matter of days after he threw his hat into the presidential ring and was on the way to put himself again in the position to take over the free-spending, powerful cloak and dagger agency.

Teddy Kennedy receives an average of about ten death threats a week via anonymous phone calls and copies of the letters are turned over to the U. S. Secret Service. None of the culprits have been apprehended. Incidentally, it has been decided Kennedy does not need Secret Service ** protection since he is a "non-candidate." All the other announced presidential candidates have a Secret Service detail assigned for their protection during the campaign. Significantly, as previously and all other security and intelligence agencies, direct control over the CIA, FBI, Secret Service reported in WC, Dr. Henry A. Kissinger exercises

* Mirror note: This must have been bitter for Bobby to recall that Richard Helm, Head of the CIA at the time, was in the swimming pool with Bobby when J. Edgar Hoover phoned to say "Your brother has been shot."

** Changed since Governor Wallace was shot.

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