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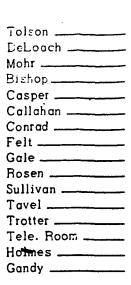
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# 2 New Murder's Linked to Slaying of 5

From News Dispatches LOS ANGELES, Aug. 11-Homicide detectives fanned out across this sprawling city today chicking similarities between the murders of actress Sharow Tate and four others and the bizarre deaths of a married couple a dozen miles away.

At the same time, the only person found alive at the estate where Miss Tate and the others were slain was released from custody.

The five bodies found at the blonde actress' home in Benedicl Canyon Saturday were mutilated by multiple knife wounds, as were the bodies of market owner Leno La Bianca, 44, and his wife, Rosemary, 38. Their bodies were discovered Sunday night in their Silverlake home, which was once owned by Walt Disney.

The word "pig" was scrawled in blood on the door of Miss Tate's home, and the words "death to pigs" was daubed on the refrigerator door in the La Bianca home.

William E. Garretson, 19, a caretaker at the home leased by Miss Tate and her man Polanski, was released because of insufficient evidence against him, police said. He underwent a lie detector test and extensive questioning after he was arrested Seturday.

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Sebring was found with a. black hood over his head. He and Miss Tate were joined by a knotted white cord around their necks.

Police said both La Biancas had been knifed repeatedly and had makeshift hoods over their heads.

In addition, a series of X marks had been carved on La Bianca along with the word "war." A fork protruded from his body. The La Biancas were hot known to have any connection with the show business set.

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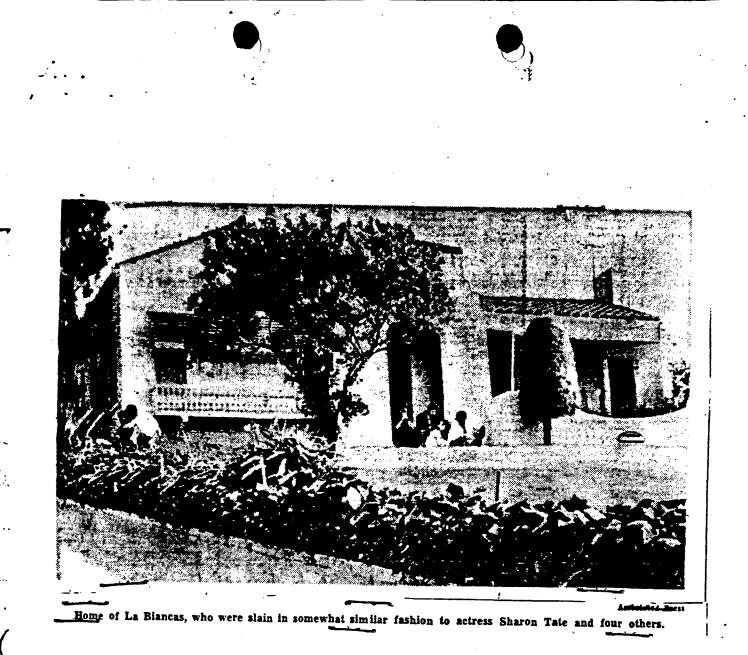
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#### By ANTHONY BURTON Staff Correspondent of THE NEWS

Los Angeles, Aug. 11-Fantasy ruled not so long on the land where the gigantic \$500 million complex of buildings called Century City now stands. Here, fake cowboys strutted along false-fronted western streets and phony explorers struggled through bogus African jungles.

Then it was the back lot of 20th Century-Fox studios and . thousands of men and women spent their days spinning fairy tales for the world's screens. Now the miniature city of the future is here, dominated by the ultra-modern hotel, the Cen-

tury Plaza. Today, Secret Service men and high police officials met in rituation so extraordinary that derisive the hotel to consider a situation so extraordinary that derisive eyebrows might have been raised if it had been offered at a story conference in the old days.

#### A Fete for Astros

A FETE FOF ASTFOS It was not enough that in two days a state dinner would be held in the banquet room of the hotel for the three moon astronauts. It was not enough that President Nixon would be arriving from the summer White House down the coast at San Clemente. It was not enough that antiwar protest groups were planning a showdown with police outside the hotel. On top of all these security problems, local law enforce-ment officials were struggling with bizarre mass killings, an effort that was using their resources to the utmost. As the hunt went into its third day, police also had to deal with repeated demands from residents in isolated areas for additional police patrols.

additional police patrols. Looks Through Binoculars

Nobody was using the word panic, but it was not far away Nobody was using the word panic, but it was not far away early this morning as neighbors gathered in the sulty dark-ness outside 3301 Waverly Dr. in the Los Feliz section of the city. From the roadway, they could just make out smears of blood on the walls of the living room. One youngster had a pair of binoculars to bring the scene into closer focus. The bodies of Leno and Rosemarie La Bianca were still inside and detectives were starting work on the inevitable question: was there a link between this and the killing of actress Sharon Tate and four others Friday night? Was a mad killer at large, able to strike again and again? As High Cop Sees If One woman nulled her robe closer around her, hugging.

One woman pulled her robe closer around her, hugging herself as if chilled, although the night was warm. "I don't know what to do" she said. "I can't sleep knowing whoever did this is still free. How can anyone go to sleep? I'll have to stand here all night. I feel better seeing that policeman at the arts" at the gate."

Later a gray-haired police inspector came out and said he did not think there was any connection between the two cases. If it was meant as a reassurance for the neighbors it was not helpful.

All it meant was that there was a surfeit of madness, enough for two separate horrors. The enemy was within the gates and nobody was safe.

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The similarities between the murders of Sharon Tate and four other persons, and the slayings of Leno and Rosemary La Bianca gripped movieland with terror yesterday. The new victims were discovered by Mrs. La Bianca's daughter (photo far left) and son, by an earlier marriage. He was comforted by his father [->]. Cops called murders "carbon copies." In map left, Tate home is (A) and La Bianca home (B).

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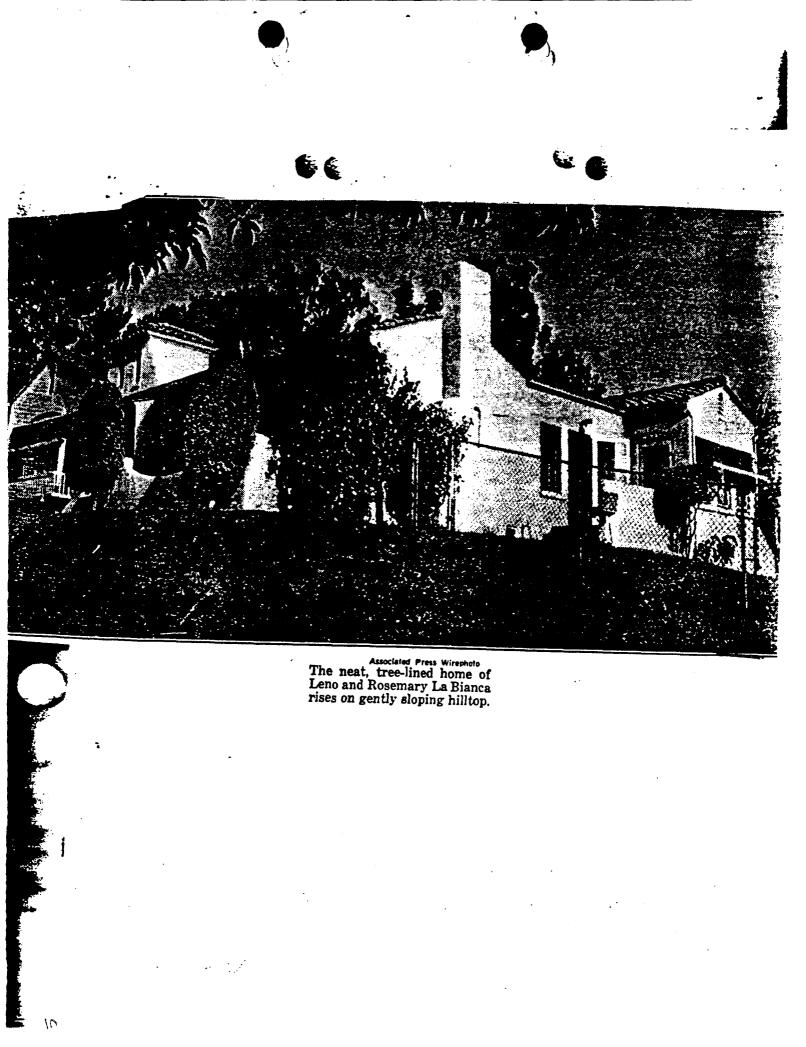
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Wearing eye-catching outfit, Sharon partied in London earlier in year.

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Susan Struthers, 21, daughter of slain woman, leaves home with boy friend, Joe Dorgan.

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Staff Correspondent of THE NEWS

Los Angeles. Aug. 11—Fears that a sadistic maniac was on the prowl ballooned today following a report from the coroner's office that a married couple found brutally murdered in their secluded Hollywood home were killed "in a manner closely related" to the savage murders of actress

Sharon Tate and four other persons.

"It's a carbon copy of the earlier murders," said a police investigator of the death of grocery chain heir Leno La Bianca and his wife, Rosemary, who were found dead last night, 36 hours after the discovery of the bodies of Miss Tate and the others.

A coroner's office spokesman disclosed his findings after viewing the bodies of the La Bianca couple. Full autopsies are still to be performed.

Working Around Clock

The latest murders threw the investigation of Sharon's slaying into chaos. Police, almost without clues in the death of Sharon, the wife of Polish film director Ro-man Polanski, working around the clock when they had to halt that impactionation and turn their that investigation and turn their attention to the new killings.

At least one suspect in the Tate

case is still at large. A second suspect, William E. Garretson, a 19-year-old caretaker at the Benedict Canyon estate, was released today without any charge now pending against him.

The latest victims were La Bianca, 44, an insurance agent, and his wife, Rosemary, 38. Two teenage children from a previous marriage of Mrs. La Bianca, Frank and Susan Struthers, came upon the grotesque scene as they returned home at 10:30 last night.

Stunned police found strong similarity between the murders of the La Biancas and those at the Benedict Canyon Estate .

In the latest murders, the killer dipped a hand in his victims' blood and smeared the words "death to pigs" in foot-high print across a living room wall. Police said the killer used the heel of his hand apparently in an effort not to leave any fingerprints.

The same method was soon an the earlier murders. On the door of Sharon's home-smeared in the blood by the heel of a hand-was the word "pig."

La Bianca's body was sprawled on the floor. A big heavyset man, he was wearing trousers but his white shirt had been ripped open and a meat-carving fork was stuck in his chest. The word "war" was carved into his chest, apparently with the fork. Under-neath the word, the killer had cut several Xs into his body. i white pillow cases covered

his head and a lamp cord had been field around his neck.

His wife lay face down in the bedroom next to her bed. She was wearing a negligee which had been pulled over her head. Her back had been so badly mutilated that police could not at first determine whether she had been stabbed or beaten with a whip. Later, it was theorized that she had been stabbed with a bayonet-like weapon.

Through the long night, fright-ened residents of Los Feliz stood on their lush lawns or came to the scene to watch police go in and out of the isolated singlestory white stucco home.

Though onlookers could get no

neaser than the foot of the 100foot driveway leading to the house, they watched detectives who stood silhouetted against a single house light as they dusted the front door for fingerprints.

At one point, a neighbor brought out field glasses and fo-cused through the open front door on the living room wall. He spelled out his findings to the small crowd: "d-e-a-t-h" — the first bloody word of the message.

Inch-by-Inch Search

At sunrise, eight rookie police-men in T-shirts were driven to the scene. They were handed prods and began an inch-by-inch search of the big well-manicured lawn and r guest house behind the main house.

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The large house is flanked by even-more-plush estates. On one side is the enormous \$3.5 million estate built by a broadcasting excentive, Earle C. Anthony.

When Sharon's body was found at her \$200,000 red barn-style home, a nylon cord was looped around her neck and around the neck of her former boy friend, hairdresser Jay Sebring, 35, who had a piece of black cloth wrapped like a bandage around his head.

#### Red Auto Located

A police investigator said about the two sets of killings: "There is a similarity, but whether it is the same person, or just someone copying the Tate murders, we don't know. It's possible that someone read about the other killings and decided on the same kind of thing."

One of the strongest leads in the hunt for Sharon's killer evaporated late last night. Her fire-engine red Ferrari was

for fire-engine red Ferrari was found in Los Angeles garage. It apparently had been taken there for repairs last week. Police thought the car might have been

used for a getaway by the killer. Sharon and her four companions were killed Friday night or Saturday morning, savagely snding a party Sharon was giving for her friends.

Garretson took a 90-minute lie detector test at police headquarters yeserday. Police said it was a "favorable" test and he was returned to his cell as detectives sought to fill in some minor details. Later today, he was unconditionally released.

Garretson's attorney, Barry Tarlow, said that the Tate killer was more likely someone connected with the murder voitims themselves.

"There was a party at the house the night of the killings," he said. "From the investigation made by my office, our best guess is that whoever did it was involved in a personal way with these people who were killed."

#### **Results of Autopsies**

Coroner Thomas Noguchi released the results of autopsies which determined the causes of death for Sharon and the other four victims at her home:

Sharon, who was eight months pregnant, was killed by multiple stab wounds in the chest and back. The autopsy showed that the baby would have been a boy. Sebring died from stab wounds

In the upper part of the body. Abigail Folger, 26, heiress to the Folger coffee fortune, died

of stab wounds in the chest. Voityck Frokowski, 87, a Polish film producer, writer and direc-

tor, died of stab wounds and a gunshot wound in the back. Steven Parent, 18, of Suburban

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El Monte, a friend of Garratson, was killed by multiple gunshot wounds in the chest and face.

Polanski, who returned here last night from London, where he had been working on a film for the last two months, was interviewed for several hours last night by two homicide detectives at an unknown location. Polanski was accompanied by Walter Wolf, Friend and lawyer.



Susan Struthers, daughter of Mrs. Rosemary La Bianca, is hidden by Beighbors as she is taken to car after discovering murders.



Associated Press Wiresho Home of Mr. and Mrs. Leno La Bianca, where couple were found slain, in Los Angeles. A daughter sits on steps of house.



Gene Gutowski, business partner of film director Roman Polanski, talks to reporters on arrival at Los Angeles Airport from London.



Sharon Tate-police have almost no clues in her death

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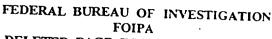
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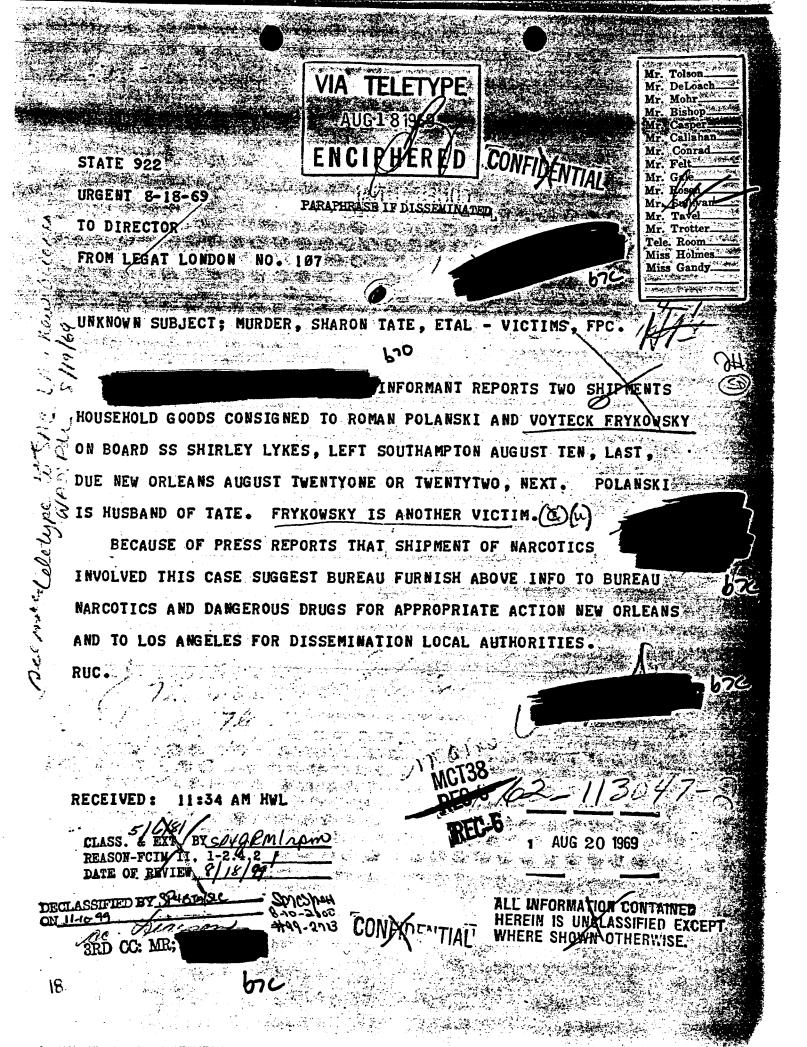
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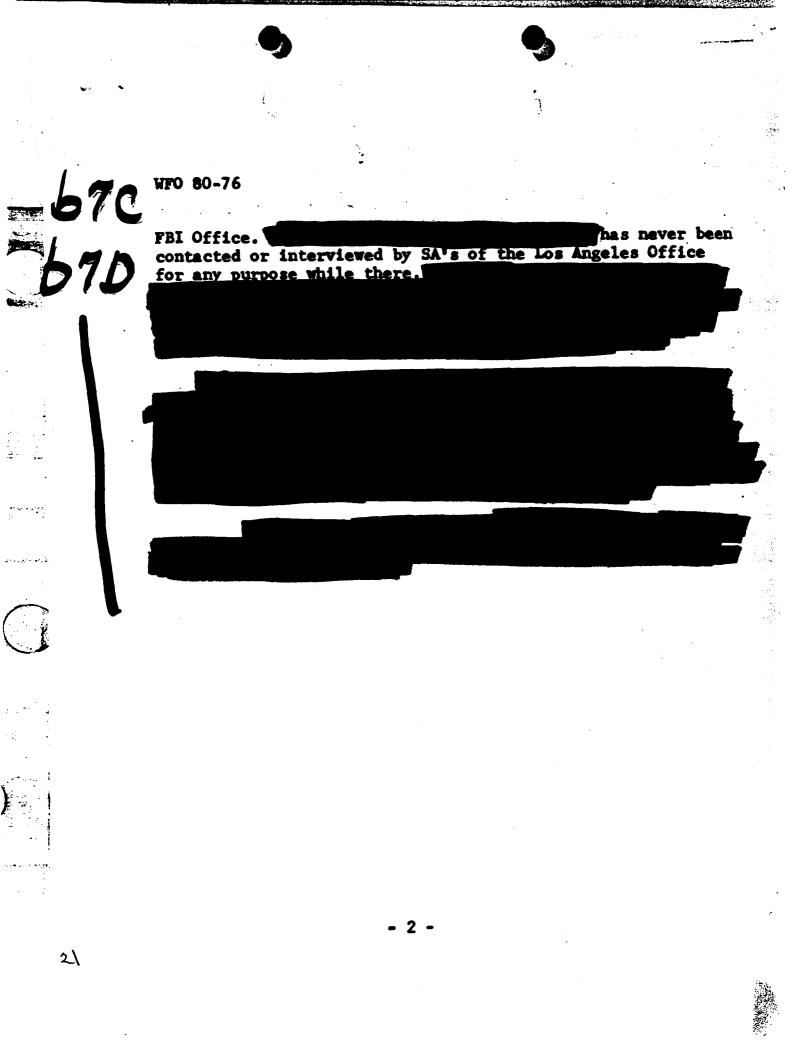


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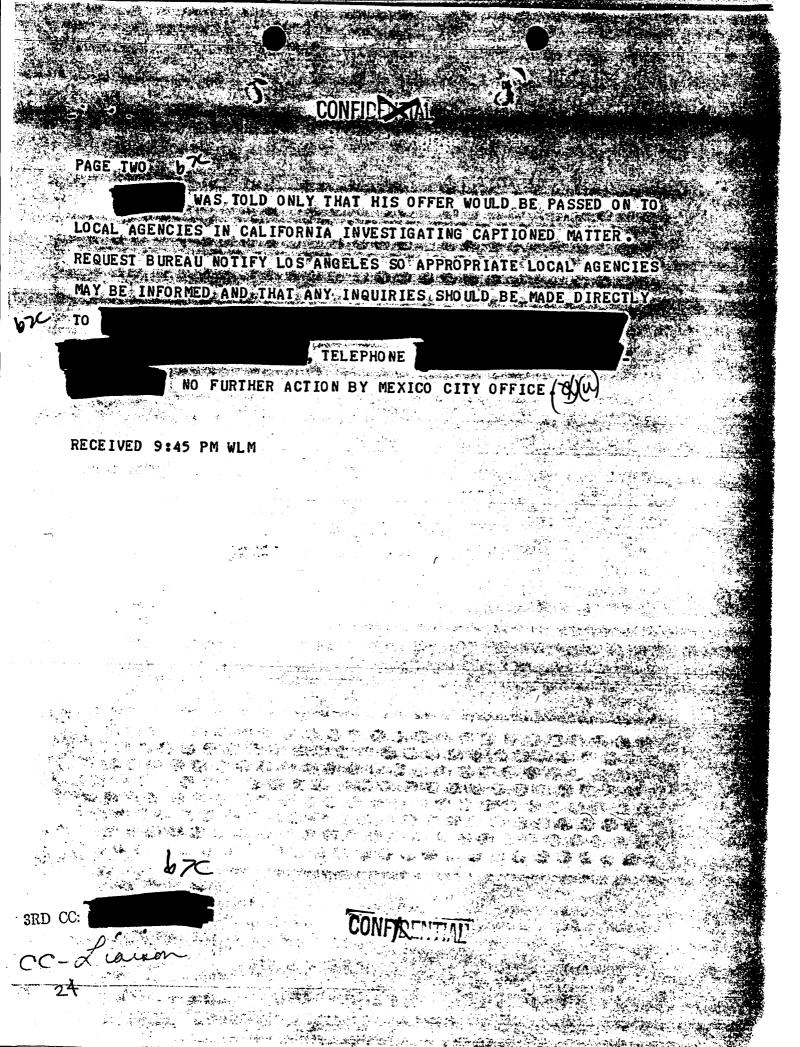
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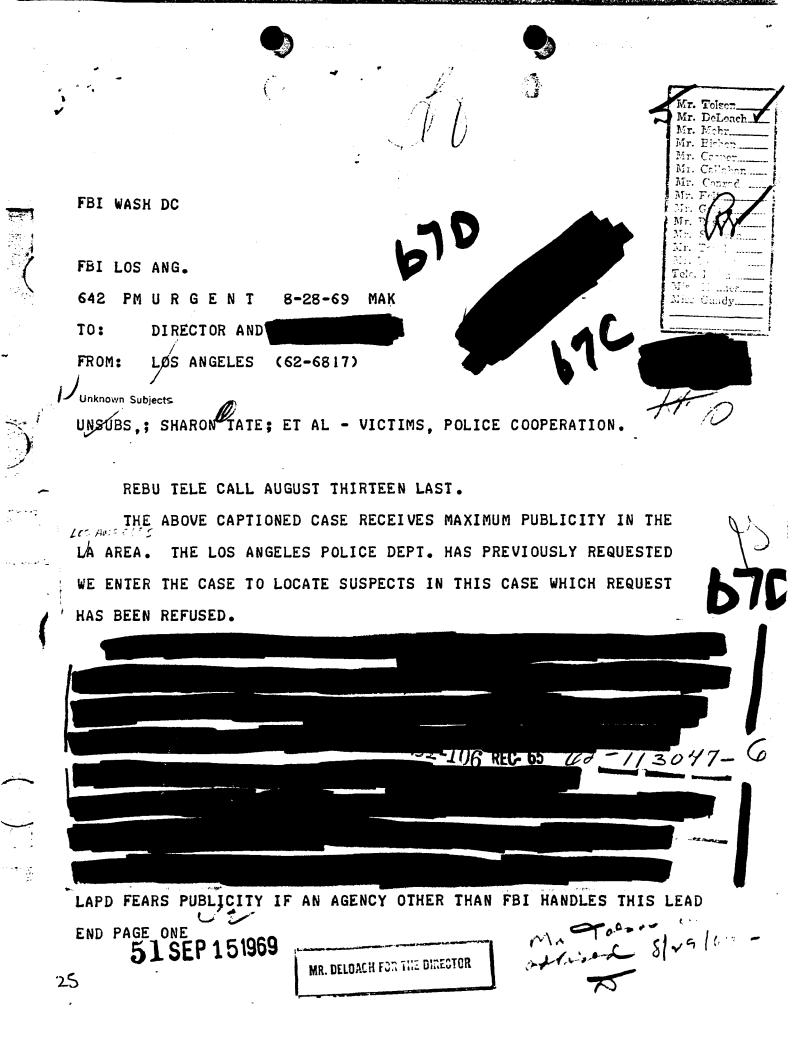
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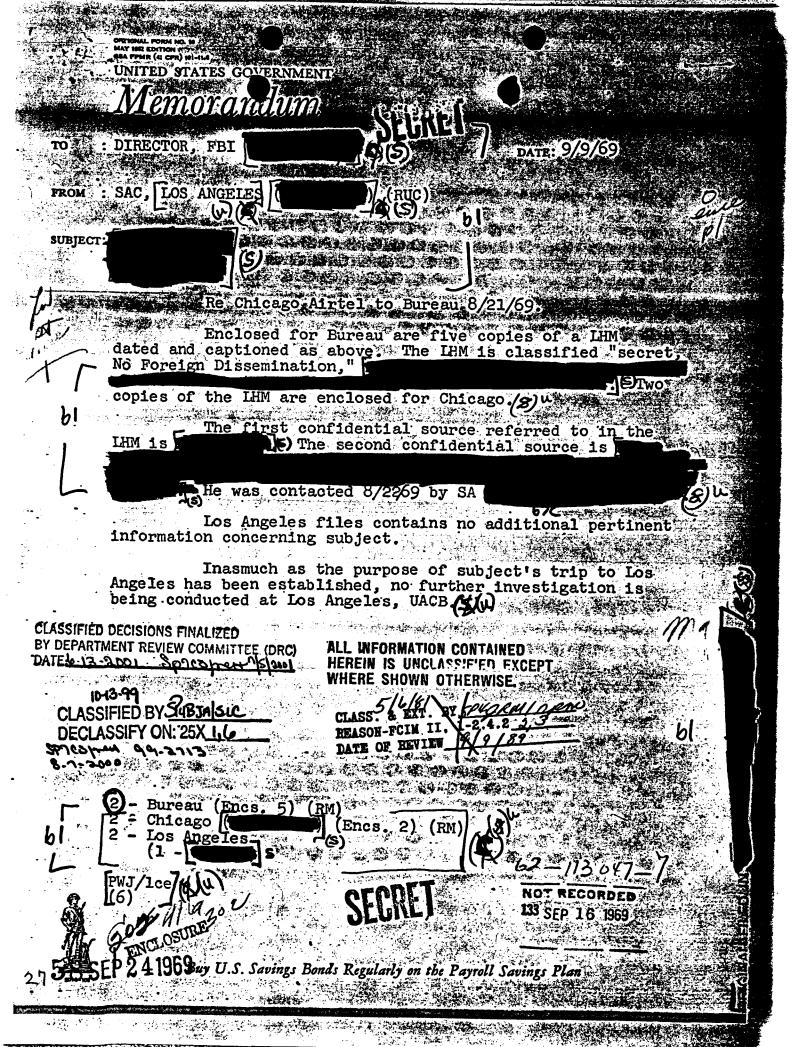
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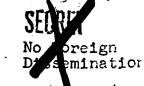




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The Los Angeles "Herald Examiner" of August 29, 1969, carried an article entitled "The Tate Case; Friends of Mama Cass Quizzed". This article stated Frykowski's mother and brother departed on August 28, 1969, enroute to Poland; and that the ashes of Frykowski were to be flown via a separate Scandinavian Air Service flight to Lodz, Poland, on August 29, 1969, where they will be placed at St. Josef Cemetery.

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