

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 31, 1969

FOR: JOHN EHRLICHMAN
FROM: JACK CAULFIELD *JJC*
SUBJECT: Chappaquiddick Inquiry

1. The continuing investigation in the Chappaquiddick vicinity reveals the development of the following facts:

Yesterday morning Robert Kennedy, Jr. was observed entering the Edgartown area with two elderly persons in a vehicle. Their movements were observed from a discreet distance. Apparently, young Kennedy is very familiar with the area. He was observed taking a look at the vehicle involved in the accident from a distance. Our investigator reports the car heavily wrapped in cloth and rope at the same garage location. He is apparently spending a long weekend at a fashionable house on Summer Street, less than two blocks from the ferry location.

A little aside - he apparently has all the Kennedy instincts, including an eye for pretty girls!

2. Progressive Labor Movement (new left extremists) have announced their intention to Edgartown police to picket en masse at police headquarters denouncing the "hiding of the truth" by Senator Kennedy. Here's a switch.

3. Former New York City Detective Jim King, onetime Bobby Kennedy bodyguard, was observed with Senator Kennedy yesterday on Massachusetts T.V., driving his vehicle. It was this very possibility that had me hesitate regarding the suggestion of a close up look of the Senator's movements. In any event, if King stays with Kennedy full time, we may be able to develop some useful information in time. I will explain in person.

4. I will confer with our investigator this weekend in the same manner. The results will be given to you on Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning.