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"However, there was no confirmation from any official source that such a course was being considered.

"Reached in New York, Nakhleh had this to say:

"'There can be no discussion of an exchange...until after the verdict. Talk to me after the verdict.'

"It was pointed out at the Hall of Justice that the legal complications of such an exchange would be enormous. The United States has no jurisdiction over Sirhan. He is a prisoner of California -- a sovereign state. Moreover, it is expected that public reaction to such barter would be swift and extremely adverse.

"Furthermore, insofar as is known, there are no important American prisoners held by any Arab state."

*Pleas Kalks*  
*as early as*  
*Oct 7 '68*

DAILY SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

*Oct 4-7*

Friday, October 4, 1968  
Monday, October 7, 1968

CAPT. BROWN

1. Sirhan's request for continuance put off until October 14.  
Rumors from D.A. indicate possibility of plea of murder only  
(no degree specified).

LT. KEENE

1. Stella Roth finishing up tapes--should be available in two days for dictation.
2. Auditing of files versus 3x5 cards continuing.

*Before trial began, defense attorney told Mary Sirhan & Sirhan that a prisoner exchange was being worked out*

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