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LIFE TERM PAROLE CONSIDERATION HEARING

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUNITY RELEASE BOARD

In the Matter of the Life  
Term Parole Consideration  
Hearing of:

CDC Number B-33920

CHARLES MANSON

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MEMBERS PRESENT

1 Mr. Frank Coronado, Presiding Member

2 Mr. N. Chaderjian, Board Member

3 Mr. Ray Brown, Board Member

ALSO PRESENT

4 Mr. Glen DeRonde, Attorney for Inmate

5 Mr. Stephan Kay, Deputy District Attorney of  
6 Los Angeles County

7 Ms. Linda Deutsch, Associated Press

8 Ms. Mary Neiswender, Long Beach Press Telegram

9 Mr. Steve Huddleston, Vacaville Reporter

10 Ms. Linda Summers, Fairfield Daily Republic

11 Mr. Clark McKinley, United Press International

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: We're ready to proceed with this hearing.

Today's date is November 27, 1979. This hearing is being conducted at the California Correctional Medical Facility in Vacaville. The time is approximately 1:33.

This is a subsequent life parole consideration hearing for Mr. Charles Manson, M-a-n-s-o-n, CDC Number B-33920, who was committed to state prison on April 22nd, 1971, Case Number A-253156, seven counts of murder in the first degree, Los Angeles County, and on a multiple crime of murder in the first degree on December 13th, 1971, Case Number A-267861, Los Angeles County.

The panel notes that the prisoner's initial life parole consideration hearing was conducted by the Community Release Board on November 16th, 1978, at which time the prisoner was found unsuitable for parole.

The record should reflect that the prisoner has refused to make a personal appearance, as he is entitled to under the provisions of the Community Release Board's rules, Section 2247. And for that we have a form indicating, by Correctional Counselor II, Ken Dadisman, D-a-d-i-s-m-a-n, of the Willis Unit, who indicated that he had contacted the prisoner approximately 1:14 p.m. on November 27th, 1979

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1 and had asked him if he wished to make his scheduled appear-  
2 ance before the Community Release Board, and he states that  
3 he replied that he did not wish to appear, and gave no parti-  
4 cular reason. He refused to sign the statement to that  
5 effect. So, therefore, we are going to proceed in absentia.

6 However, the record should further reflect that  
7 Mr. Glen DeRonde, D-e-R-o-n-d-e, has been appointed by the  
8 Community Release Board to represent the prisoner to ensure  
9 compliance with the statutory provisions and the rules of  
10 the Community Release Board in regards to the prisoner's  
11 due process entitlement.

12 At this time I'm going to identify the members  
13 of this panel here today. My name is Frank Coronado. I'm  
14 a member of the Community Release Board. I'll be presiding  
15 at this hearing. To my left is Mr. N. A. Chaderjian. He's  
16 a Member of the Community Release Board and member of this  
17 panel here today. And to his left is Mr. Ray Brown, Member  
18 of the Community Release Board, and member of this panel  
19 here today.

20 We also have representing the County of Los Angeles  
21 in this matter Mr. Stephen Kay, K-a-y, a Deputy District  
22 Attorney. We also have, as I indicated, Mr. Glen DeRonde.

23 And we have members of the media present today,  
24 and they are the following: We have Linda Deutsch from the  
25 Associated Press, Mary Neiswender from the Long Beach Press

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1 Telegram, Steve Huddleston from the Vacaville Reporter,  
2 Linda Summers from the Fairfield Daily Republic, and  
3 Mr. Clark McKinley, representing UPI.

4 This hearing is being conducted pursuant to the  
5 provisions of Penal Code Section 3041 and 3042 and the  
6 Community Release Board rules and regulations concerning  
7 parole consideration for lifer prisoners.

8 The purpose of today's hearing is to consider  
9 the prisoner's suitability for parole. It is necessary  
10 for us to conduct this hearing pursuant to the provisions  
11 and revisions of the mandate as enacted by the Legislature  
12 effective July 1, 1977 which are applicable to all prisoners  
13 serving a life sentence.

14 We will be considering the number and nature of  
15 the crimes for which the prisoner was committed to state  
16 prison, his criminal history or lack of it prior to this  
17 commitment, and his behavior since the commitment.

18 We will reach a decision and inform the prisoner  
19 whether he is suitable for parole or not and why, and if  
20 he is found suitable, the length of his confinement and  
21 the specific factors leading to that determination.

22 Before we proceed with the hearing, I'd just like  
23 to ask counsel if he has had an opportunity to review the  
24 Central file in preparation for this hearing today and consult  
25 with his client.

1 MR. DARCHEN: With regard to the first question,  
2 Mr. Coronado, yes, I have reviewed the Central file of the  
3 inmate.

4 With regard to an interview with the client, I  
5 attempted an interview with the client on October 10th of  
6 this year and was unsuccessful.

7 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. In regards  
8 to the notice of hearing, have you received a timely notice  
9 in this matter?

10 MR. DERONDE: Yes, I have.

11 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Frank, could I ask a question?

12 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Sure.

13 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Why were you unsuccessful  
14 in contacting the inmate?

15 MR. DERONDE: Well, what happened, sir, is I was  
16 requested to go see Mr. Manson at the unit itself. The  
17 reason for that request was, as I had heard -- now, this  
18 is all hearsay -- that Mr. Manson is fearful for his life  
19 inside the mainline of the prison. That being the case,  
20 I went up to the Willis Unit to meet with Mr. Manson, and  
21 at that point met Mr. Ken Dadisman, who is the Correctional  
22 Counselor for Mr. Manson. He informed me that Mr. Manson  
23 would like to see me at his cell. And I was advised at  
24 that time by the Correctional Counselor not to give in to  
25 the request.

1 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: What did you interpret  
2 by their statements to you not to give in to that request?

3 MR. DeRONDE: Well, my intention was to meet with  
4 Mr. Manson as an attorney-client relationship should be  
5 approached in private in a waiting room in the Willis Unit.  
6 I understood further from Mr. Ken Daqisman that Mr. Manson  
7 was not willing to do that; that he desired to have a conversa-  
8 tion with me outside of his cell in the actual cell block.  
9 I was advised not to proceed in that fashion for security  
10 reasons.

11 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: Very well. Thank you.

12 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: The normal place to hold  
13 such a meeting would be in a waiting room, not in the cell.

14 MR. DeRONDE: That's correct.

15 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Any further questions?

16 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: No, I have none.

17 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Counselor, are there  
18 any reasons that we cannot proceed with this hearing today?

19 MR. DeRONDE: Well, Mr. Coronado, I do have one  
20 question of the Board, and that is that I know Mr. Manson  
21 is entitled to an unbiased panel in this hearing. The question  
22 that I would direct to the members of the Board is -- well,  
23 to begin with, first, I understand that no member of this  
24 Board has been able to escape the notariety that Mr. Manson  
25 has received. But I suppose you would have to ask yourselves

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1 whether or not you constitute an unbiased panel in this  
2 matter by virtue of all the publicity associated with this  
3 man with regard to movies, books, news broadcasts, etc.  
4 And if each member of the panel would be inclined to give  
5 me an answer whether or not they can disregard these extraneous  
6 items, learned outside Mr. Manson's central file, and can  
7 decide this matter impartially, then we can proceed.

8 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. Before I respond  
9 I'm just going to defer in the line of order as we're seated,  
10 first to Mr. Brown, if, in fact, he feels he can render  
11 a fair and impartial decision in this matter here today.

12 Mr. Brown?

13 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: First, there are two concerns.  
14 I have not read any books about Manson, nor have I seen  
15 any movies about Mr. Manson. My knowledge of this case  
16 would be only because I have seen some crime partners involved  
17 in this. However, I do not feel I have any bias against  
18 Mr. Manson. I have never seen him.

19 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Mr. Chaderjian?

20 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: I would have no bias.  
21 I was a member of the panel a year prior. And today I would  
22 rely on the documents here before us, and make a determination  
23 as to whether they meet the criteria which is described  
24 in the Community Release Board regulations.

25 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you. I think

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1 I can fairly say, counselor, it is a unanimous feeling in-  
2 regards to the objectivity and impartiality of this panel  
3 here today. And, therefore, we will proceed and rely upon  
4 the circumstances of the offenses as they are reflected  
5 by the information that has been made available to us and  
6 the institutional conduct and all the related documentation  
7 that comes before us in making our decision.

8 MR. DERONDE: That being the case, I have no objec-  
9 tion to the Board proceeding,

10 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. Thank you very  
11 much.

12 I suppose that both of you are familiar with the  
13 process that we use in this type of administrative hearing.  
14 First of all, I'd just like to state for the record that  
15 it is not the function of this panel to try to retry the  
16 case; and, therefore, we're going to proceed on the basis  
17 of assessing the information that we have available to us,  
18 and that is in regards to the prisoner's prior criminal  
19 history, and the commitment offenses, his institutional  
20 conduct, and the parole plans. And that's basically what  
21 we're going to restrict ourselves to here today.

22 I'd like to say something, and I'd like for both  
23 of you to consider, since we have a record transcript of  
24 the proceedings of the November 16th, 1978 hearing, I'd  
25 like to see if, in fact, we can incorporate the statement

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1 of facts by reference to the summary of the proceedings  
2 14 1978 instead of entering into the record the statement  
3 of facts again. And I'd like for both of you to consider  
4 that, taking into account that we have read the transcript,  
5 and we have noted the statements and the information that's  
6 contained in the entire transcript relating to the facts  
7 of the crime, the responses, and the arguments that were  
8 presented and put forth at that time.

9 MR. KAY: When you say that you've read the tran-  
10 script, do you mean just the summary?

11 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: No, the transcript  
12 of the entire proceedings.

13 MR. KAY: Okay. Because I didn't get a copy of  
14 that.

15 MR. DeRONDE: Neither did I.

16 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: So you did get a copy  
17 of the summary of the proceedings of the decision?

18 MR. KAY: I got a copy of the California Community  
19 Release Board Summary.

20 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: November 16th, 1978  
21 hearing.

22 And I'd like to ask you both, first of you, counselor,  
23 would you say that this would accurately reflect the circum-  
24 stances of the offense?

25 MR. KAY: Not the California Community Release

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1 Board Summary. However, my summary when I went into the  
2 facts in the last hearing, I think would do that, the tran-  
3 script.

4 MR. DeWIDE: Well, not having had the opportunity  
5 or occasion to speak with Mr. Manson in this matter, all  
6 I know of the facts of the offense are what I have read  
7 in this summary and associated documents in the file.

8 With regard to the actual summary itself, as I  
9 say, I haven't received a copy of the transcript either.  
10 I'm referring to only the copy of the summary of the California  
11 Community Release Board at last year's hearing. And I have  
12 no objection to those facts being stipulated to, with regard  
13 to those, I believe it is, five -- four or five pages in that  
14 summary, if the Board has considered those facts previously.

15 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: We have. As I indicated  
16 to you previously, counselor, we have considered those facts  
17 in the summary as well as having read the entire transcript  
18 of the prior proceedings. And I'd just like to see if I  
19 can't get both of you to stipulate and concur.

20 MR. KAY: I'd be willing to stipulate to both,  
21 as long as you would consider them jointly.

22 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Any questions from  
23 members of the panel? Mr. Chaderjian? Mr. Brown?

24 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: As long as it's clear  
25 that the official version is the version which is contained

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1 in the findings, that which you have. Mr. Kay embellished  
2 considerably the circumstances of the commitment offenses  
3 by virtue of his direct knowledge and participation in  
4 the prosecution, and that is contained in the transcript,  
5 which Mr. Coronado has reference to. But for all intents  
6 and purposes, our official version isn't designed to be  
7 all inclusive, and it is the one which both of you have  
8 before you for purusal.

9 MR. DERONDE: I'd be willing to stipulate to the  
10 official version being entered into today's record, but  
11 not with regard to the actual transcript and Mr. Kay's comments.  
12 I have never received that. I don't know what's in it at  
13 all.

14 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. I would like  
15 to do that even though, Counselor, at this time if you are  
16 familiar or you can put forth any of the facts that you  
17 think are relevant or evidence that you may have, most certainly  
18 they will be incorporated into our hearing today. But for  
19 the purpose of the facts of the offense as we presented  
20 to the public in summary fashion, it will be done exactly  
21 as it's represented in the summary of the 1978 hearing period.

22 MR. KAY: That's agreeable.

23 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: All right. Then we  
24 will incorporate the statement of facts by reference to  
25 the November 16th, 1978 hearing. And these are contained,

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1 the statement of facts, on page two to page six, top of  
2 the page, ending of the paragraph.

3 Okay. In terms of the prior criminal history,  
4 of course, it's provided to us again in the Criminal Identifica-  
5 tion and Investigation, which we call the rap sheet, the  
6 entries that he's been sustained by the prisoner since 1951  
7 to the date that he was charged and convicted and sent to  
8 prison in 1971 for the offenses which we have him here for  
9 today.

10 And at this time I'd like to also by, again, incor-  
11 porating by reference to a stipulation to that prior criminal  
12 history.

13 MR. KAY: So stipulate.

14 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Counselor?

15 MR. DeRONDE: What pages are you referring to?

16 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Well, these are basically  
17 -- do you have the rap sheet? I think that's one of the  
18 parts that's not provided to you. And it's not by design,  
19 but basically because we must comply with the statutory  
20 provisions in regards to the making available the Criminal  
21 Identification and Investigation account. So I don't think  
22 you have access to that report.

23 MR. DeRONDE: That's correct, I do not have access  
24 to his prior criminal history, except for one document in  
25 the file, which is a probation report by Deputy Central

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1 Adult Investigation Probation Officer John Severien, and  
2 that seems to contain quite extensive documentation, juvenile  
3 history and adult history.

4 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Counselor, would you  
5 have any problem stipulating by reference to that?

6 MR. DeRONDE: No problem. I so stipulate.

7 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: All right. Then we  
8 will go ahead and incorporate by reference the criminal  
9 history as reflected in the Probation Officer's Report for  
10 the prior criminal history of the prisoner.

11 At this time I'm just going to defer to any member  
12 of the panel if, in fact, they have any questions that they  
13 may like to ask in regards to the prior criminal history  
14 or the circumstances of the offenses as we have incorporated  
15 them by reference into the record at this time.

16 Mr. Brown?

17 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Just one, that the notes  
18 under 3042 were sent, and there are responses in the  
19 which have been reviewed by this panel. One from Judge  
20 Choate, C-h-o-a-t-e, and another from the Los Angeles Police  
21 Department. Their letter is dated 10/24/79, and the Judge's  
22 is dated 11/13/79. I believe they're a part of your packet.

23 MR. DeRONDE: That's correct.

24 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: We have reviewed those.

25 Other than that, no, nothing else.

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1 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Mr. Chaderjian?

2 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: No comment at this time.

3 MR. KAY: Could I say one thing in response to  
4 Mr. Brown? He brought up a good point, and I'd like to  
5 have it clear for the record so that in the future it will  
6 be clear. I wrote a letter before the first parole hearing,  
7 and I didn't write one this year. But I intend that that  
8 first letter should be a continuing letter of my views because  
9 my views have not changed. And those are the views of the  
10 District Attorney's Office of Los Angeles County.

11 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. So noted, for  
12 the record.

13 MR. KAY: Thank you. I know my letter is a part  
14 of the file.

15 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: The date of that document  
16 is October 25, 1978, consisting of three pages.

17 MR. KAY: Thank you.

18 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. Then if there  
19 are no further comments or remarks in that particular phase  
20 of the hearing, that is the combined preconviction history  
21 and the circumstances of the offense, I'm going to call  
22 upon Mr. Brown for the discussion concerning the prisoner's  
23 institutional adjustment.

24 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: I'm going to have to change  
25 a little bit on what I planned because you don't have a

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1 copy of the transcript of last year's hearing where they  
2 discuss much of the material that we will discuss at today's  
3 hearing.

4 Why don't we turn to the Board Report, dated 10/30/79,  
5 in your packet, probably on the left-hand side of your packet  
6 that lists Community Release Board Report 1979 Calendar.

7 MR. DeRONDE: Excuse me. What was the date on  
8 that, Mr. Brown?

9 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: 10/30/79.

10 MR. KAY: About a third of the way down on the  
11 left-hand side.

12 MR. DeRONDE: Beginning, "Purpose of the hearing,  
13 lifer parole hearing"?

14 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Yes.

15 MR. DeRONDE: I've got it.

16 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Let's briefly use that as  
17 an update, starting with the transfer. It appears that  
18 the inmate was originally received in San Quentin on 4/22/71.  
19 He was on death row at that time. Subsequently, he was  
20 transferred to Folsom on October 10th of '72, and remained  
21 there until he was transferred to the California Medical  
22 Facility on March 20th of '74. He was then transferred  
23 to Folsom on 10/24/74, and remained there until transfer  
24 to San Quentin on June 20th of 1975. Subsequent to that,  
25 he was transferred back to Folsom on March 8th of 1976,

1 and then transferred to this institution on 5/11/76, and  
2 has remained at this institution up until today's date.

3           Insofar as custody status is concerned, he has  
4 been in maximum custody or close custody pretty much throughout  
5 his stay in the Department of Corrections no matter what  
6 institution he's been assigned to.

7           This Board Report indicates that his program is  
8 as follows: that he has never been involved in an educational  
9 program or any academic program because most of the time  
10 he had been in lockup status. However, that would not preclude  
11 him from engaging in cell study or correspondence study.

12           Nevertheless, it says his I.Q. is 112, although  
13 he reports he discontinued school at the third grade level.

14           Vocational instruction, none, again because of  
15 his confinement status. There was no vocational instruction  
16 available.

17           Insofar as work assignments are concerned, he  
18 has worked as a recreation yard attendant for approximately  
19 one month, but was relieved of duty for not adhering to  
20 instructions.

21           Self-help program participation, he has not involved  
22 himself in therapy, counseling, or other self-help groups  
23 because of unaccessibility of such a group in security housing,  
24 which we will discuss in a moment when we talk about classifica-  
25 tion.

1           Program recommendations by the Community Release  
2 Board, and the CRB recommended a Category D diagnostic study,  
3 and possible consideration for a mainline placement at CMF.  
4 That was based upon last year's hearing.

5           Now, in the packet that we have before us, there  
6 are three psychiatric-psychological reports. The first  
7 one is dated February 17th of 1972, and that was written  
8 by a H. Roberts, Staff Psychologist, and that was while  
9 inmate was condemned, and he had refused to complete the  
10 psychological tests; and therefore, there was no assessment  
11 of the subject's current psychological functioning at that  
12 time.

13           The next psychological report that's in the hearing  
14 packet today is dated 9/29/78. And a reading of that report  
15 indicates there were other psychiatric reports prepared  
16 between 1972 and 1978 that are not a part of the packet,  
17 as well as some psychiatric chronos that I'll refer to in  
18 just a moment. But looking first at the 9/29/78 report,  
19 he was diagnosed by Dr. Rotella as, "a schizophrenic reaction  
20 chronic, undifferentiated type, in remission." And in the  
21 second paragraph,

22                       "Manson's general stay in the unit  
23                       has been marked by sporadic psychotic episodes,  
24                       requiring hospitalization in the S-3 Unit  
25                       from time to time. By and large Charles

1 gets along fairly well with staff and his  
2 fellow inmates. But due to the notariety  
3 of his case, he finds himself being housed  
4 in a closed unit and that generates and  
5 manifests a lot of anxiety and pent up frustra-  
6 tion from the restrictive and stringent  
7 atmosphere found in the Security Housing  
8 Units in comparison to an otherwise much  
9 freer and more relaxed setting found in  
10 the mainline.

11 "Throughout his stay, Manson has been  
12 requesting of the Willis Unit staff to be  
13 transferred to either a mainline setting  
14 or in some other institutional placement  
15 which will afford him more freedom and more  
16 constructive programming.

17 "A main factor so far in precluding  
18 the mainline placement is the fear by staff  
19 due to Manson's overpublicized crime and  
20 his widespread notariety that his life might  
21 be endangered on a CDC mainline setting,  
22 by the ever-present possibility that some  
23 inmate might make an attempt on his life  
24 in order to gain a reputation and status  
25 by performing such an act."

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1 Then there is a psychiatric report dated 8/30/79  
2 by Dr. Rotella again, and that is a brief psychiatric update.  
3 And that says,

4 "Manson has been in the Willis Unit  
5 since May 11th, 1976, and except for a brief  
6 stay in the Seguin Unit, has been primarily  
7 housed in the Willis Unit."

8 And then makes a reference to a psychiatric evalua-  
9 tion dated 5/25/76, which we do not have. He goes on to  
10 say that,

11 "Since his last psychiatric update  
12 report on September 29th, '78, nothing dramatically  
13 new has happened in Manson's basic life  
14 style in CDC. He presently enjoys a little  
15 bit more freedom of movement in Willis since  
16 he at times is employed as a unit porter  
17 outside the security area. And he appears  
18 to benefit from this activity by being less  
19 moody.

20 "His cell time is spent making mobiles,  
21 and he is rather clever in making them from  
22 odd bits and socks and other materials.

23 "At one point in time there was a serious  
24 consideration of placing Manson on a part-  
25 time mainline setting in the daytime, but

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1 a report from the Special Services Unit  
2 notified Dr. Clanon that a contract was  
3 out on Manson's life by the Arian Brotherhood.  
4 Due to this new information, consideration  
5 was put aside for the time being.

6 "As far as his past emotional tirades  
7 and mercurial shifts of affect, during  
8 the past year this seems to have definitely  
9 improved. Aside of what I have stated above,  
10 there really is not much else to state,  
11 except that Charles is not expected to be  
12 paroled at any time in the near future."

13 In the classification chronos, there are some  
14 psychiatric chronos here. I want to make a brief reference  
15 to them, and perhaps we can fill in a little bit of the  
16 gap between 1972 and 1976.

17 There was one March 18th, 1974. This was a trans-  
18 fer summary.

19 "A psychiatric evaluation was conducted  
20 on 11/14/73 by myself..."

21 And "by myself" is B. W. Owens, M.D., Chief Medical  
22 Officer. At this time his evaluation was a schizophrenic,  
23 insipient or pre-psychotic, a sociopathic personality distur-  
24 bance, antisocial personality, a sociopathic personality  
25 disturbance, drug dependence, cannabis sativa (marijuana)

1 and possibly others drugs.

2 "During the past two months the subject  
3 has evidenced strong paranoid ideation,  
4 and included in this are parataxic distortions.  
5 He now, more than ever, externalizes respon-  
6 sibility for his personal difficulties,  
7 and at times shows aggressiveness. His  
8 psychosomatic complaints have become somewhat  
9 profound. His judgment and insight have  
10 become increasingly deficient. Emotional  
11 and environmental deprivation have been  
12 positive factors, and this has been due  
13 mainly to the fact that the SHU at Folsom  
14 State Prison does not have the adequate  
15 facilities for care and treatment for this  
16 type of illness."

17 He diagnosed,

18 "The second and third diagnosis listed  
19 above still apply, but the first diagnosis  
20 can now be described as a schizophrenia,  
21 paranoid type, in poor remission."

22 And then there is a chrono on 4/23/74 at this  
23 institution, right after he had been received from Folsom,  
24 as a result of the Inmate's gradual deterioration while  
25 in Folsom. And it goes on to say, and I'm reading a part

1 of the diagnosis, it says that he,

2 ".....had been diagnosed as schizophrenic.

3 At this time he does not present any signs  
4 of psychosis and appears to be well integrated.  
5 Affect is appropriate, and he is cooperative  
6 to the point of being servile."

7 Then on 9/25/74 there is a psychiatric chrono  
8 again by M. Stock, S-t-o-c-k, Staff Psychiatrist. And part  
9 of that statement is,

10 "He was seen ...on 4/24/74 and was  
11 found to be without signs of an active psychotic  
12 process."

13 He was manipulative

14 There's one dated 2/10/76 by Paul Gilbert, Staff  
15 Psychiatrist, in which he states,

16 "Mr. Manson was interviewed on February  
17 6th, 1976. He was cooperative, answering  
18 questions relevantly and coherently. There  
19 was no evidence of psychosis, depression,  
20 or suicidal ideas. He is not currently  
21 receiving any psychoactive medication."

22 Then he was seen on April 3rd of '79. There is  
23 a psychiatric screening chrono by Gordon Haiberg, H-a-i-  
24 b-e-r-g, which states,

25 "This man was housed on S-3 being sent

1 over approximately eight days ago because  
2 there was concern that he was going to get  
3 into a fight with other inmates or they  
4 would attack him. When he was seen here  
5 he was in good contact. The diagnosis was  
6 retained, that is of schizophrenia, residual  
7 type in remission."

8 There are some other psychiatric chronos in the  
9 file. In 1978 there is one dated 8/8/78. This is by Gordon  
10 Halberg, H-a-i-b-e-r-g, Senior Psychiatrist:

11 "This a 43-year-old white male who  
12 was transferred to S-Wing following an assault  
13 on an officer. He threatened to hang himself.  
14 He appeared to be anxious when he initially  
15 arrived. When seen today he is somewhat  
16 disheveled. He appears five to ten years  
17 older than his stated age, He appears thin."

18 Then there is another on 10/17/78, again by  
19 Dr. Halberg. I'll pick out the meat of that chrono.

20 "Discussion: This man is a schizophrenic,  
21 residual type in remission with heavy passive-  
22 aggressive features that makes him a very  
23 difficult management problem, and we feel  
24 totally inappropriate for assignment to  
25 this setting at this time."

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1           The committee had referred him to the classification  
2 committee for further assignment.

3           Then another psychiatric chrono dated about a  
4 week later, 10/23/78 by Dr. Kuehnert, K-u-e-h-n-e-r-t, Staff  
5 Psychiatrist, in which they try to get him in a group setting.  
6 He says,

7           "...it is doubtful that psychiatric  
8 treatment is going to make any difference  
9 in his mental functioning. Furthermore,  
10 repeated hospitalizations in the psychiatric  
11 unit in years gone by apparently have produced  
12 little tangible benefit. The last few times  
13 I have seen him he has been sent to S-3  
14 for disturbed behavior, and it seems that  
15 as soon as he gets his foot in the door,  
16 he settles down and the disturbance is gone,  
17 and he is always talking to me in a calm,  
18 well contained manner with the usual intro-  
19 duction of occasional delusional material  
20 and his disjointed at times silly logic. Some  
21 of his asides are viciously destructive  
22 and lethal. The imposing fact is, that he  
23 does not need S-3, and although he is on  
24 no psychopharmaceuticals, it is doubtful  
25 that his isolation and the brief chats I

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1 have had with him are doing anything at  
2 all to his residual schizophrenia."

3 Then on 12/7/76 there is an entry, Dr. R. J. Brooks

4 B-r-o-o-k-s, Psychiatrist:

5 "Manson appeared before the LaMarch  
6 classification committee this date making  
7 a cogent appeal for acceptance into the  
8 therapy program. He was relevant and coherent  
9 throughout a lengthy interview. He admits  
10 that his primary goal is to be able to program  
11 on the mainline. He also recognized a need  
12 to 'reorient to being a human being', by  
13 which he recognized that part of the problem  
14 lies within himself and his need for internal  
15 change to be able to maintain mainline programming.  
16 This goal included 'changing some behavior  
17 patterns', specifically getting his memory  
18 back and controlling certain reactions which  
19 he described 'angry' responses to people.  
20 The third objective he stated was to improve  
21 his schooling in order to be able to write  
22 a book.

23 "Manson handled himself very well during  
24 the interview. When called back into the  
25 room for the results of the committee's

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1 decision, he expressed the belief that he  
2 would be given a runaround, sent from one  
3 committee to another, and receive no results.  
4 He stated he would simply return to his  
5 cell."

6 I'm sorry to have to read this, but it's the only  
7 way, with the absence of the two documents in front of you,  
8 for you to get a feeling of what his psychiatric status  
9 is.

10 Then there is a report 3/26/79, and all that is  
11 is a diagnosis which remains, "schizophrenia, residual type,  
12 in remission, antisocial personality."

13 And then I think we turn to those other documents  
14 in which he evidently has an interest in participating in  
15 a Category E, which is a therapy program. But then when  
16 it was offered, he decided for some reason not to involve  
17 himself in that. And in that he's not here and he hasn't  
18 talked to his counsel, other than what the record is, we  
19 don't know why that took place.

20 I tried to look at the classifications since he  
21 was last seen a year ago, where he has been. After his  
22 last hearing he appeared and requested this therapy program,  
23 November 28th of '78. December 7th of '78 he was seen by  
24 a screening committee, and they recommended that he be placed  
25 in Category E when this kind of program is available, depending

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1 upon his custody status. They talked about transfer to  
2 another institution, and he did not want to transfer to  
3 another institution because of a cellmate who was near him.  
4 He did not want to leave that cellmate, evidently feeling  
5 that something might happen to that cellmate if he left,  
6 so he turned down the transfer, which was discussed at his  
7 classification hearing.

8 MR. KAY: Where would the transfer have been to?

9 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: This is dated January 12th  
10 of 1979, and I'll read it.

11 "Manson appears before the Classification  
12 for a resolution of a mainline placement.  
13 The two choices available to him at this  
14 institution appear to be in the Seguin Unit,  
15 Q-1 housing, or the LaMarch Unit. In either  
16 event, he would be Category C. In any event,  
17 any discussion of mainline placement is  
18 irrelevant at this time since Manson said  
19 he is not interested now in mainline at  
20 this institution. The explanation offered  
21 by Manson for his change of mind is not  
22 fully understood by those present today,  
23 but it apparently revolves around a fact  
24 that he has a friend housed in an adjacent  
25 cell for whom Manson feels some responsibility.

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And he says he would find it difficult to leave the present housing unless this man were to accompany him. At least that is the understanding of those present today. A further discussion by the Classification Committee of the possibility of a mainline placement appears fruitless at this time because of that factor."

Now, January 3rd he appeared again before the Committee. He made a good appearance at that hearing. The future was discussed. It was determined that the subject should continue in the present program, but he had declined the mainline consideration for a reason previously stated.

Then in March of '79 they discuss future housing with him, and he agreed that he might like to make an attempt to participate in a reentry program. And the reentry is reentry into the mainline, that's what they're talking about.

"He thinks that he could make it on the mainline for a limited period of time, but was advised that he would have to have a job prior to any referral being made to the Classification Committee."

Then on July 24th of '79,

"The subject refused to appear before the committee today, and his case was reviewed

1 in absentia."

2 This was for programming evaluation. And again  
3 because of the threat on the subject's life they did not  
4 move him.

5 And then again on October 16th Manson's case was  
6 reviewed by the committee in absentia inasmuch as he refused  
7 to appear before them for program review. They retained  
8 him in his present program.

9 That, I believe, is a brief resume of the psychiatric  
10 materials.

11 I don't know at this point if you would like to  
12 make some comments on the psychiatric aspects of the case  
13 thus far.

14 MR. DeRONDE: I was wondering if I could ask a  
15 question of you, Mr. Brown, of whether or not -- there seem  
16 to be no determination with regard to his request to enter  
17 into a group therapy program, Category E, is that correct?

18 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Yes.

19 MR. DeRONDE: Is it necessitative that the prisoner  
20 be around on the mainline to participate in that program?

21 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Not on getting in the group.  
22 Evidently his security is such that the department doesn't  
23 feel that they can put him in a group setting yet, and that  
24 is because of the threat on his life by the Arian Brotherhood.  
25 Then, of course, his own statement that he didn't want to

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1 go into that program.

2 MR. DeRONDE: So there is no chance that he can  
3 involve himself in a group therapy program until he is on  
4 the mainline.

5 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Eventually to get in group,  
6 yes. But he's got to get out of the custody that he's in  
7 right now.

8 Any further questions on psychiatric?

9 MR. KAY: I don't have any.

10 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Then we ought to review briefly  
11 the disciplinary record in the file. And without going  
12 into them individually, it appears that he has received  
13 eight disciplinary offenses in 1972, and they range from  
14 administrative to serious, let's put it that way. In 1973  
15 he received four; in 1974, two; and in 1975, three; 1976,  
16 two; 1977, four; 1978, one; and one in 1979, and that was  
17 dated 4/7/79 and involved contraband, where they found some  
18 items in his cell. Briefly what was found was a razor blade,  
19 some metal pendant with chain, metal handle, numerous bits  
20 and pieces of metal, including several small screws and  
21 sewing needles. And he states that they were his. It was  
22 really just a tool kit used for fixing various items; radios  
23 and what have you, although he was found guilty of those  
24 items, of contraband, and given 40 hours extra duty to be  
25 performed at the discretion of the Willis Unit sergeant.

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1 Any comments relative to the -- well, some of  
 2 these disciplinaries are very serious. They involve contra-  
 3 band, throwing liquid on staff, assaulting staff, striking  
 4 an officer, setting fire to cell, flooding cell, destroying  
 5 state property, there is another assault on a correctional  
 6 officer, contraband; but some of them are very minor: not  
 7 shaving, not getting his hair cut, not answering for counts,  
 8 and not obeying orders.

9 I think you have that sheet in your packet. Any  
 10 questions relative to the disciplinaries?

11 MR. DeRONDE: I think they have been fairly summarized.

12 MR. KAY: I think we have the disciplinaries,  
 13 the 115's.

14 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Panel members, any questions  
 15 about the psychiatric or the disciplinaries?

16 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: No questions.

17 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: No questions.

18 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Now, it appears that he has  
 19 not been involved in any self-help programs, to wit: narcotics  
 20 thereapy or any of those because of his confinement status.

21 Let's take one look at the Board Report and be  
 22 sure we've covered each of the areas.

23 Are there any comments overall about institution  
 24 adjustment, Mr. DeRonde?

25 MR. DeRONDE: No, I don't have any comments.

1 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Mr. Kay?

2 MR. KAY: I think that they speak for themselves.

3 I agree that some of them are very serious. That's all.

4 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Mr. Chaderjian?

5 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: No comments.

6 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: No comments.

7 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: Back to you, Mr. Coronado.

8 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you very much,

9 Mr. Brown.

10 At this time, then, I'm going to call on

11 Mr. Chaderjian for the parole plans.

12 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: Well, it's difficult  
13 in Mr. Manson's absence to get any indication of what his  
14 plans may be. Generally a prisoner with no parole release  
15 date is poorly motivated in making concrete plans.

16 The packet here before us contains certain state-  
17 ments made by the prisoner, Manson, to staff relative to  
18 parole release plans. They include in the initial reentry  
19 program, which is dated August 4, 1972, that he desires  
20 to be paroled to Death Valley, and that it was his intent  
21 to live in the wilderness, to live off the land, and that  
22 he had no intentions of working.

23 The Board Report dated October 23, 1978 is consistent  
24 with those earlier statements, and they quote him as stating  
25 that if released, he would go back out into the desert to

1 escape the news media, and to live there forever.

2 And the Board Report, which was prepared for this  
3 present hearing dated October 30th, 1979, again is consistent  
4 with the prior statements. And additionally indicates that  
5 there are no job offers in the file, and no firm parole  
6 release plans.

7 Again, I would state for the record that this  
8 is not unusual for any prisoner in the system who is committed  
9 here on multiple life crimes to not formulate concrete parole  
10 release plans until such time as he is found suitable for  
11 parole and a parole release date has been established.

12 So unless counsel has any comment on the matter,  
13 I believe there is nothing further in that area.

14 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: I have one point. In that  
15 he is not here at the hearing today, we should make mention  
16 there is a letter in the file that he wrote, a long letter.  
17 I want to make sure that each of you have read this and  
18 we have read that because it pertains to a lot of subjects  
19 that we have talked about when you read the contents of  
20 that letter. I wanted to make sure that everybody had read  
21 it.

22 MR. KAY: I've read it.

23 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you, Mr. Chaderjian.

24 At this time, then, being no further questions  
25 or remarks on the part of the panel, I'm going to ask Mr. Kay

1 first to make his closing remarks. And then you will have,  
2 counselor, an opportunity to close on behalf of the prisoner.

3 MR. KAY: Thank you. I feel that Mr. Manson should  
4 be found unsuitable for parole by the Board. I could probably  
5 fill up an encyclopedia with the number of reasons, but  
6 I'll just state a few.

7 I think in the crimes that he committed here,  
8 he showed a wanton disregard for human lives. We had nine  
9 different murders. And, of course, this goes along with  
10 his philosophy that it was not wrong to kill. There is  
11 no right; there is no wrong; there are no laws. He philoso-  
12 phized that to members of his family right from the beginning.

13 Seven of the victims were strangers. They were  
14 innocent people that were killed in the supposed safety  
15 of their homes. Actually, they were butchered in the supposed  
16 safety of their homes. Only he knew Gary Hinman and he  
17 knew Donald Shorty Shay, but he did not know any of the  
18 Tate or LaBianca victims.

19 I think the motive for these murders, at least  
20 the motive for the Tate and LaBianca murders is reprehensible  
21 on Mr. Manson's part. That was his attempt to start a black-  
22 white race war. That is the basis of all possible motives  
23 for murder in our society, to culminate a race war; and  
24 that was his specific intent.

25 His intent in the Hinman murder was to -- he thought

1 that Hinman had come into an inheritance, which he had really  
 2 not come into an inheritance. And he had wanted Hinman  
 3 to join the family, which Hinman refused. And he wanted  
 4 Hinman to turn over all his property, and Hinman was tortured  
 5 to death because he would not join the family, and he was  
 6 forced to sign over some pink slips on his car as he was  
 7 dying.

8 And the reason that Manson wanted this property  
 9 was because he was collecting property for the race war  
 10 that was going to start. And he had a whole fleet of dune  
 11 buggies that he was going to take out to Death Valley.

12 And, of course, it's interesting that he wants  
 13 to get paroled to Death Valley because that's where he escaped  
 14 to after the murders, and that's where he was arrested,  
 15 at the Parker Ranch in Death Valley. And Death Valley is  
 16 an integral part of his whole philosophy. And it's not  
 17 at all surprising that he would still want to go back there.

18 Another reason is the ease with which he gets  
 19 others to commit crimes for him, violent crimes, murder.  
 20 It wasn't a one-way street in the Manson family. He didn't  
 21 do all the taking. He gave his followers free drugs and  
 22 free sex and a life of no responsibility. He had a group  
 23 of misfits. There was something wrong with each one of  
 24 them. They were not average American kids, so to speak.  
 25 They all had a screw loose at one place or another. But

1 Manson collected these people.

2 There were a lot of people that came in contact  
3 with him and heard what he had to say, his philosophizing  
4 about Hitler and the master race. And they walked out on  
5 him, but this group stayed.

6 And what Manson required was a total commitment  
7 to him and to his philosophy, which his followers had. And  
8 they would do virtually anything for him, including murder.

9 Another reason is the fact that he is so unpredictable.  
10 He's a very volatile person, a very dangerous person. I  
11 think that the fact that he's not been rehabilitated at  
12 all while he's been in prison, he said it quite well himself  
13 last year, he said, "How can I be rehabilitated when I've  
14 never been habilitated?" And that's probably true. He  
15 spent most of his life in the jails, prisons, boys' homes  
16 for juvenile delinquents. He has, in his own words, never  
17 been habilitated.

18 And he is very violent. Not only getting other  
19 people to do violence for him, but he has a very volatile  
20 personality. You can see yourself from his 115's that he's  
21 attacked staff or guards on a number of occasions, hitting  
22 them, threatening to kill them.

23 Also, another point is the lack of remorse. At  
24 no time has Manson shown any remorse, not even a scintilla  
25 or remorse for the murders that he has committed and that

1 he was responsible for committing.

2 Also, I think that we can't deny that the public  
3 has a justified fear of Mr. Manson. I think the public  
4 views Mr. Manson as public enemy number one, and I think  
5 that's justified by Mr. Manson's conduct in these nine murders  
6 that he's committed.

7 They were not just killings. They were brutal,  
8 horrible killings. And that was, of course, Manson's purpose  
9 to shock society, not in the Shay or Hinman case, but in  
10 the Tate and LiBianca. Shay was killed because he wanted  
11 to kick Manson off the Spahn Ranch. He was a ranch hand.  
12 And, also, he had committed the unforgiveable sin in  
13 Mr. Manson's eyes of being married to a black woman. Shay  
14 was white.

15 I think that his reasoning throughout the years  
16 has not changed. It is illogical. This whole helter skelter  
17 theory is a very far-out philosophy. I've heard psychiatrists  
18 say if one person believed it, that you would say that they  
19 were crazy. But since a group here believed it, they argue  
20 whether it's a religion, but it's still pretty crazy however  
21 you look at it, even though a group did end up believing  
22 it, and we do have a lot of strange groups around. But  
23 the Manson family is certainly one of the strangest in our  
24 modern existence here.

25 His parole plans, again another factor, the Death

1 Valley just jumps right out at you because, according to  
2 Manson, that's where the bottomless pit is located, mentioned  
3 in Revelation 10 of the Bible, where Manson and members  
4 of the family intend to escape to and live in the bottomless  
5 pit for 50 to 100 years while the blacks were killing all  
6 the whites. And then at the end of that period, the blacks  
7 would be in complete power. And because the blacks were  
8 so stupid, in Manson's eyes, they wouldn't be able to run  
9 the government, and Manson and his family then would come  
10 out of Death Valley, and the blacks would immediately turn  
11 over all power to Manson and his followers, and Manson would  
12 rule the world. So maybe Mr. Manson still has high hopes  
13 of finding that bottomless pit and living there.

14 But, in conclusion, I would say that if reason  
15 prevails, which I'm sure it will, Mr. Manson will never  
16 have a chance in his lifetime to look for that bottomless  
17 pit in Death Valley again.

18 Thank you.

19 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you, counselor.

20 Counsel, closing arguments?

21 MR. DeRONDE: Thank you, Mr. Coronado.

22 As the Board can appreciate, not having met or  
23 interviewed Mr. Charles Manson, I'm placed in a very difficult  
24 position here. I'm aware of the circumstances of the offense,  
25 through review of the central file.

1 I just have a brief closing comment, and that  
2 is that I note that the Board made two recommendations after  
3 the hearing of last year, those recommendations that he  
4 cooperate with psychiatric staff, avail himself of all psychi-  
5 atric therapy available, and that he remain free of negative  
6 disciplinary actions, and engage in cell study programs.

7 I would ask that the Board again adopt those recom-  
8 mendations. And if the possibility lies, try to involve  
9 Mr. Manson in vocational or educational opportunities open  
10 to him in the institution, and, again, attempt to qualify  
11 him for introduction within a mainline placement of the  
12 institution.

13 I have no other comments.

14 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you.

15 At this time we're going to recess the hearing  
16 for our --

17 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: Before we go off record,  
18 I think it's only proper to put in record the reference  
19 that Mr. Brown made to the letter, prisoner Manson's letter  
20 which is contained in our file. That is a seven-page rambling  
21 tirade against the criminal justice system in the United  
22 States. And he repeats in that letter that he is innocent  
23 of any crimes.

24 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Thank you.

25 At this time, then, we're going to recess our

1 hearing for the purpose of deliberation. We're going to  
2 ask that the room be cleared, and we will reconvene when  
3 we have reached our decision. The time is approximately  
4 2:32.

5 (Thereupon the room was cleared and the hearing  
6 of the Community Release Board recessed for  
7 deliberation by the Board.)  
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3 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: This hearing is  
4 reconvened in the matter of Mr. Manson, CDC Number B-33920.  
5 The time is approximately 3:29. The interested parties  
6 are back in the room.

7 We have reached a unanimous decision in this matter,  
8 and the prisoner is found unsuitable for parole on the basis  
9 of the following circumstances:

10 (1) The prisoner's established unstable and exten-  
11 sive criminal history, which started at age 11, and continued  
12 unabated, including at least two prior prison terms, culminating  
13 in the brutal and senseless killing of eight innocent victims,  
14 clearly demonstrates a complete disregard, not only for  
15 the loss to society, but more importantly, for human life  
16 as well.

17 (2) The following psychiatric evaluations and  
18 psychiatric chronos do not support parole suitability: psychia-  
19 tric evaluations of 8/30/1979 by Dr. A. R. Rotella, psychiatric  
20 evaluation of 8/29/1979 by A. R. Rotella, psychiatric evaluation  
21 of 5/29/1976 by A. R. Rotella, and psychiatric evaluation  
22 of 8/27/1976 by Edwin Lehman, L-e-h-m-a-n, PhD, psychiatric  
23 chrono of 10/25/1979 by Gordon Haiberg, H-a-i-b-e-r-g, M.D.,  
24 psychiatric chrono of 8/8/1979 by Gordon Haiberg, psychiatric  
25 chrono of 10/17/1978 by Gordon Haiberg, psychiatric chrono

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1 of 10/23/1978 by R. G. Kuehnert, K-u-e-h-n-e-r-t, psychiatric  
2 chronc of 12/7/1978 by R. J. Brooks, M.D.

3 Panel notes the schizophrenic reaction, chronic,  
4 undifferentiated type, in remission diagnosed, as well as  
5 the hospitalization for psychotic episodes since the prisoner's  
6 incarceration, as documented in the referred to reports.

7 (3) The prisoner has not participated in any  
8 institutional program which could very well enhance his  
9 ability to successfully complete a period of parole. And  
10 this is demonstrated by the lack of program involvement  
11 in the following areas:

- 12 (a) No vocational upgrading;  
13 (b) No academic upgrading;  
14 (c) No self-help;  
15 (d) No treatment program participation;  
16 (e) No work assignment.

17 Panel does note that the prisoner has been in  
18 a highly restrictive housing confinement since his inception  
19 in the Department of Corrections. However, this should  
20 not have completely prohibited the prisoner from making  
21 attempts to participate in constructive programs.

22 (4) The prisoner continues to demonstrate a lack  
23 of self control, as exemplified by the 25 CDC 115 disciplinarys;  
24 the latest being April 7th, 1979, and which include at least  
25 three separate incidents of assault upon staff, as well.

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1 as other numerous counseling chronos.

2 (5) Unrealistic and/or nonexistent parole plans,  
3 as demonstrated by the lack of no family support, no community  
4 resources, no employment offers, and no offers of financial  
5 assistance, as well as his desire to live off the desert  
6 away in the wilderness.

7 For these reasons, consequently the panel finds  
8 the prisoner unsuitable for parole as an unreasonable risk  
9 of danger to society if released.

10 We are going to recommend that the prisoner be  
11 disciplinary free; that he avails himself to therapeutic  
12 intervention, as recommended by professional staff; and,  
13 three, that he participate in any vocational-academic program  
14 ming which may be available in restricted housing.

15 The panel would like to note for the record, counselor,  
16 that the transcript of the proceedings will be provided  
17 to the prisoner upon request.

18 Also, the effective date of this decision here,  
19 pursuant to our statutory provisions, do not take effect  
20 for the next 60 days.

21 Also, the prisoner is entitled to administrative  
22 remedies if he's not satisfied with the decision that's  
23 been rendered by this panel here today. And those are provided  
24 in our Community Release Board rules Section 2050.

25 At this time I'm going to call on members of the panel

1 to see if they have any comments to make before we conclude  
2 our hearing today. Mr. Brown?

3 BOARD MEMBER BROWN: I have nothing.

4 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Mr. Chaderjian?

5 BOARD MEMBER CHADERJIAN: Nothing.

6 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Okay. At this time  
7 we're going to conclude our hearing.

8 MR. KAY: Could I say one thing just before you  
9 do?

10 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Go ahead.

11 MR. KAY: I just have one minor correction. You  
12 said eight victims; there were nine.

13 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: One was stayed.

14 MR. KAY: There were seven at the Tate-LaBianca --  
15 five at the Tate house, two at the LaBianca.

16 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: Counsel, we have not  
17 overlooked that. We are dealing with the court convictions,  
18 and there were eight counts, and one was stayed by the court.

19 MR. KAY: Okay. But he was convicted of nine  
20 different --

21 PRESIDING MEMBER CORONADO: That's true. But  
22 the legal summary, as far as we're concerned, indicates  
23 nine convictions and commitments to state prison.

24 Okay. At this time, then, we're going to adjourn  
25 this hearing. The time is approximately 3:36.

(Thereupon the Community Release-  
Board hearing in the Matter of  
Charles Manson was adjourned at  
3:36 p.m.)

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I, MICHAEL APPELMAN, a Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of California, do hereby certify:

That I am a disinterested person herein; that the foregoing Community Release Board Hearing was reported in shorthand by me, Michael Appelman, and thereafter transcribed into typewriting.

I further certify that I am not of counsel or attorney for any of the parties to said hearing, nor in any way interested in the outcome of said hearing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of December, 1979.

  
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