

Alcock, the police officers, and I agreed to meet at police headquarters in downtown Dallas.

"Upon arrival at the Dallas Police Headquarters, I was taken to a conference room. After a short time, Mr. Alcock and a Mr. William Gurvich arrived. The two men refused to ask me any questions in the presence of the police officers of Dallas, Texas. Mr. Gurvich had a tape recording machine with him which he placed on the table to record our conversation. Mr. Alcock, after talking with me, agreed to allow a friend of mine to be present while I was being questioned, but Mr. Gurvich refused to allow this. I refused to talk with the two men alone, and I informed them that I would answer any questions that they wished to ask me provided either the officers of the Dallas Police Department were present, a member of the District Attorney's staff in Dallas, Texas, or my attorney.

"On Sunday, February 26, 1967, a press release was issued wherein Mr. Alcock and Mr. Gurvich indicated that I had refused to talk to them about their investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy in 1963. This news report created so much interest in me that newsmen, television men, cranks, unresponsive callers and others continuously called at my home and requested me to comment. I did not know exactly what to do.

"On Monday, February 27, 1967, at approximately 7:00 o'clock p. m., upon the advice of a friend, and with his help, I held a news conference and made the statement which is attached as Exhibit No. 1. I informed the world, through the media of the newspaper and television, that I was willing to talk with anyone from the District Attorney's office in New Orleans about the investigation of Mr. Jim Garrison, provided either the police or my attorney were present. I did not have an attorney at this time.

"On Friday, March 3, 1967, I employed Mr. Frank P. Hernandez, of the Dallas Bar, to represent me in this matter.

"On Tuesday, March 7, 1967, my attorney called Mr. Jim Garrison's office in New Orleans to inform him that he was representing me and to tell him that I would answer any questions provided he was present at the time of the questioning. Mr. Gurvich, who identified