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Figure in JFK Assassination Probe Dies in Florida, an Apparent Suicide

PALM BEACH. Fla., March 29 (AP)
A witness reportedly sought by the
House Assassinations Committee in
its investigation of President Kennedy's assassination was found dead
today of what police said appeared to
be a self-inflicted shotgun wound in
the head.

The victim, George de Mohrenschildt of Dallas, Tex., a geologist who taught French at Bishop College, reportedly had been an acquaintance of Lee Harvey Oswald and his wife Marina.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Lt. Richard Sheets said there was "no reason o suspect anything other than sulcide but the investigation is continuing." But he said no formal ruling will be made until after an autopsy Wednesday.

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The body of de Mohrenschildt, 65,

was found by his daughter Alexandra, 33, in the guest room of a palatial oceanside home here. He and his daughter had arived there from where they were visiting relatives, Sheets said.

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"At the time of the shooting, he was alone in the house except for two maids who said they did not hear the shot." Sheets said. No suicide note was found.

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Willem Oltmans, a Dutch journalist who has been interviewed by assass, ination committee investigators has said publicly that the Russian-born de Mohrenschildt told him in an interview he felt some responsibility for Kennedy's slayings.

An assassination panel source said its investigators had only recently located de Mohrenschildt in Florida.

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