

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- DATE: 3/7/67
- 1 - Inspector R. Jensen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

Handwritten notes and signatures:
12/1/67
Sullivan

Re memorandum Mr. Wick to Mr. DeLoach dated 3/2/67 which reported information received from Robert Northshield, Executive Producer of the Huntley-Brinkley Show, concerning investigation being conducted by New Orleans District Attorney Garrison in connection with the assassination of the late President Kennedy. Specific attention is directed to the data furnished by Mr. Northshield, wherein he reported that a group of alleged conspirators met in the apartment of David William Ferrie and planned the assassination of President Kennedy. According to Northshield, Lee Harvey Oswald apparently was not present at this meeting. Among the individuals alleged to be present were Ferrie; Clay Bertrand, also known as Clay Shaw; Martin Layton (phonetic); R. Richard Davis and some Cubans. Northshield indicated that Davis reportedly was killed in Tampa, Florida, in late February, 1967.

Our files indicate that Rudolph Richard Davis, Jr., was born September 9, 1934, in New York, New York. His father was a Cuban national. Davis has been active in anti-Castro activities in this country and in the Summer of 1963 brought a number of Cubans to the New Orleans area allegedly to train them to work in a lumber camp in Guatemala. We have also received allegations that Davis has allegedly been involved in plots to bomb Cuba and to direct other military operations against Cuba.

Because of the alleged involvement of Davis in a conspiracy plot, it is felt we should have a very discreet check made to determine if Davis was actually killed in Tampa and if so, to ascertain from newspaper accounts the cause of his death. Garrison is gradually focusing his attention on a group of dead men in developing his conspiracy plot. Included are Lee Harvey Oswald, David William Ferrie, W. Guy Banister who he also reportedly alleges was involved in the plot, and possibly now Davis. If Davis is dead, it is believed we can anticipate that Garrison will publicly interject his name to his conspiracy plot.

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Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY
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ACTION:

Attached is an airtel to the Washington Field Office instructing that an Agent of the Washington Field Office discreetly review at the Library of Congress issues of the Tampa, Florida, newspapers for the period February to the current date to determine if any account is contained therein reporting the death of Davis.

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