

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen

DATE: 7/5/67

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : W. A. Branigan

- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan
- 1 - Mr. Goble

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

Handwritten notes:
DeLoach
Sullivan
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PURPOSE:

This recommends we authorize New Orleans to recontact telephone company security manager to obtain from him identity of subscriber to unlisted telephone number allegedly in the name of Bertrand.

BACKGROUND:

Layton Martens, who was at one time a roommate of David Ferrie, deceased, and who has been indicted for perjury in New Orleans in connection with District Attorney Garrison's investigation, furnished the New Orleans Office and the telephone company, New Orleans, his belief the telephone at the home of his father was being tapped because he detected sounds on the line. [redacted] Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, New Orleans, Louisiana, voluntarily advised the New Orleans Office of the allegations made by Martens and indicated that one of the telephones at the home of Martens' father had been checked without locating a tap and the other telephone at the residence had not been checked by the telephone company because no one was available at the residence.

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EX-103 REC-75 62-109060-5499
At the same time that [redacted] furnished this information, [redacted] voluntarily advised that [redacted] had learned that members of Garrison's staff had determined, by calling information service of the telephone company, that there was an unlisted, unpublished telephone number listed in the name of Bertrand. [redacted] stated [redacted] did not know whether the first name of this individual was Clay or Clem or any variation of that name.

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Memorandum for Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
62-109060

New Orleans recommended recontacting [redacted] to identify subscriber. New Orleans advised [redacted] has been cooperative in the past and is in an excellent position to obtain this information.

OBSERVATIONS:

[redacted] volunteered this piece of information and [redacted] has been cooperative with the New Orleans Office in the past. [redacted] is in a position to obtain the information concerning Bertrand. The name Clay Bertrand came up right after the assassination as a person associated with Lee Harvey Oswald. This individual was never located, and Garrison claims Bertrand is a name used by Clay Shaw, the man Garrison has charged with conspiracy. We should pursue the information volunteered by [redacted] by going back to [redacted] and asking [redacted] for full details concerning the Bertrand who had the unlisted telephone number.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is teletype to New Orleans instructing it to recontact [redacted] for further information about the subscriber to the unlisted telephone number.

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