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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOV. TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE, MISCELLANEOUS-
INFO CONCERNING, OO: DALLAS.

NEW ORLEANS STATES ITEM, RED FLASH EDITION FEB.

SIXTEEN INSTANT, REPORTED THAT THE ORLEANS PARISH DA'S
OFFICE TODAY ISSUED A GRAND JURY SUBPOENA FOR ALLEN W. DULLES,
FORMER DIRECTOR OF CIA, TO APPEAR BEFORE THE GRAND JURY
MARCH SEVEN AND EIGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROBE OF THE
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY.

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THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT A NEW SUBPOENA WAS ALSO

ISSUED TODAY FOR GORDON NOVEL, FORMER NEW ORLEANS NIGHT
CLUB OWNER.

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THE ARTICLE STATED THAT DA JIM GARRISON SAID HIS
OFFICE "HAS SUCCEEDED IN IDENTIFYING THE ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT KENNEDY AS AN OPERATION CONDUCTED BY ELEMENTS OF
THE CIA," AND SAID BOTH DULLES AND NOVEL WERE NEEDED TO

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TESTIFY ABOUT CIA ACTIVITIES. BOTH SUBPOENAS WERE ISSUED THROUGH CRIMINAL DISTRICT JUDGE MATTHEW S. BRANIFF.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE REQUEST FOR THE DULLES SUBPOENA ALLEGES THAT DULLES WAS CIA DIRECTOR UNTIL SEPT. TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYONE, AND AS SUCH "WOULD HAVE PERTINENT KNOWLEDGE AS TO SUBSTANTIAL REPORTS THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS AN AGENT AND/OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CIA." THE DOCUMENT SAID POSSIBLE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO CIA KNOWLEDGE OR CONTACT WITH OSWALD WAS SUPPRESSED IN CERTAIN WARREN COMMISSION DOCUMENTS.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE THE REQUEST FOR THE SUBPOENA CHARGES THAT WHILE DULLES HEADED THE CIA, THE ORGANIZATION NEGOTIATED WITH A NEW ORLEANS FIRM FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRUCKS AND VEHICLES TO BE USED IN THE CIA SPONSORED BAY OF PIGS INVASION OF CUBA AND USED THE NAME OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD WHO WAS AT THAT TIME IN RUSSIA.

THE SUBPOENA REQUEST QUOTED A COPYRIGHT STORY IN THE STATES-ITEM, APRIL TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYSEVEN, AS MAKING
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PUBLIC NOVEL'S CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE CIA DURING DULLE'S TENURE AS CHIEF. THE DOCUMENT ALSO SAID

"GORDON NOVEL FLED THE STATE TO AVOID TESTIFYING AND SOUGHT TO ENLIST THE AID OF THE CIA IN PREVENTING HIS RETURN."

THE ARTICLE STATED THE REQUEST SAID "DAVID W. FERRIE, WHO HAS BEEN NAMED IN AN INDICTMENT AS A CONSPIRATOR TO THE MURDER OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, WAS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CIA AT THE TIME WHEN ALLEN DULLES WAS HEAD OF CIA. AMONG OTHER THINGS, HE WAS A FLYING INSTRUCTOR IN GUATEMALA PRIOR TO THE ABORTED BAY OF PIGS INVASION."

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE THE DOCUMENT SAID DULLES WAS NEVER CALLED BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION. THE DOCUMENT STATED IT WAS ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING PRESENTED TO A JUDGE IN NEW YORK WHERE SAID ALLEN W. DULLES NOW IS, UPON PROCEEDINGS TO COMPEL SAID ALLEN W. DULLES TO ATTEND AND TESTIFY."

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THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT BOTH THE DULLES AND NOVEL SUBPOENA REQUESTS CONTAINED PROVISIONS GRANTING THE MEN IMMUNITY FROM ARREST AND PROCESS SERVICE WHILE IN NEW ORLEANS ON MATTERS WHICH AROSE PRIOR TO THEIR ENTRY INTO THE STATE TO ANSWER THE SUBPOENAS.

THE ARTICLE STATED THAT THE NOVEL SUBPOENA REQUEST SAYS NOVEL NOW LIVES IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, AND ALLEGES THAT NOVEL "BY HIS OWN ADMISSION IN PUBLIC STATEMENTS IS AFFILIATED WITH THE CIA." IT FURTHER ALLEGES THAT NOVEL "HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO BE A FREQUENT VISITOR OF AND ASSOCIATE OF ATTORNEY DEAN A. ANDREWS WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF PERJURY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS TESTIMONY RELATIVE TO THE CONSPIRACY TO MURDER JOHN F. KENNEDY."

THE SUBPOENA REQUEST ALSO SAYS NOVEL WAS AN ASSOCIATE OF FERRIE IN CONNECTION WITH CIA ACTIVITIES. THE DOCUMENT WAS QUOTED AS SAYING "INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE DA'S OFFICE WHICH LOCATED NOVEL AT NO NAME KEY IN FLORIDA WHERE A NUMBER OF CIA EMPLOYEES WERE TRAINED FOR AN INVASION OF CUBA."

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THE SUBPOENA REQUEST ALSO SAYS NOVEL HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY A WITNESS AS A FREQUENT VISITOR OF EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. AND THAT BRADLEY HAS BEEN CHARGED IN ORLEANS PARISH AS A CONSPIRATOR IN THE KENNEDY SLAYING.

THE DOCUMENT ALSO SAID NOVEL HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY VARIOUS WITNESSES AS HAVING BEEN IN VARIOUS PLACES IN DALLAS IN NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE WHICH ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE DA'S OFFICE.

THE DOCUMENT WAS QUOTED AS SAYING "GORDON NOVEL HAS INFORMATION ON GUN RUNNING ACTIVITIES INVOLVING CLAY L. SHAW WHO HAS BEEN INDICTED BY THE ORLEANS PARISH GRAND JURY AS A CONSPIRATOR TO THE MURDER OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, AND JACK RUBY, WHOM IT IS COMMONLY ACCEPTED IS THE SLAYER OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD."

THE DOCUMENT SAYS STEVEN PLOTKIN, NOVEL'S ATTORNEY, WHEN PRESSED FOR INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE GUN RUNNING ACTIVITIES ASSERTED THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE. THE DOCUMENT REQUESTS THAT NOVEL BE TAKEN INTO IMMEDIATE CUSTODY AND DELIVERED TO AN OFFICER OF THE STATE OF LA. TO ASSURE HIS ATTENDANCE.

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THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT GARRISON IN A STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING THE SUBPOENA SAID DULLES WAS HEAD OF CIA WHEN ITS PRESENT TECHNIQUES WERE DEVELOPED. GARRISON WAS QUOTED AS SAYING "THESE TECHNIQUES, ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN, HAVE INCLUDED THE COVERT PENETRATION OF MUCH OF THE FABRIC OF AMERICAN LIFE - INCLUDING SCHOOLS, ORGANIZATIONS, OF MANY TYPES, NEWS AGENCIES AND EVEN CHURCHES."

THE ARTICLE QUOTED GARRISON AS SAYING THE WARREN COMMISSION WAS FORMED TO "CONCEAL THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE CIA IN THE ASSASSINATION." THE COMMISSION MEMBERS GARRISON SAID "APPEAR TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS TABLEAU ON THE GROUND THAT NATIONAL SECURITY WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED IF THE TRUTH WERE KNOWN BY THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY."

THE ARTICLE STATED GARRISON SAID OTHER EVIDENCE WHICH POSSIBLY WOULD HAVE LED TO THE DISCOVERY OF CIA INVOLVEMENT "WAS SIMPLY DESTROYED OUTRIGHT OR NEVER REPORTED - SUCH AS THE FINDING OF BULLETS IN DEALEY PLAZA IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION."

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GARRISON ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE ALSO SAID SOME CIA EMPLOYEES WERE "ACCIDENTALLY" ARRESTED AT THE SCENE AND LATER RELEASED "WITHOUT UNDUE ATTENTION". GARRISON SAID HIS OFFICE HAS NOW IDENTIFIED THE CIA EMPLOYEES INVOLVED AND "IS ENGAGED IN CONSTRUCTING CASES AGAINST THEM."

THE ARTICLE STATED GARRISON CONCLUDED WITH THE STATEMENT "THIS OFFICE INTENDS TO DEMONSTRATE... THAT THE CIA MADE A MISTAKE IN USING ORLEANS PARISH AS A STAGING AREA FOR THE ASSASSINATION AND THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS MADE AN EQUALLY BAD MISTAKE IN ATTEMPTING TO CONCEAL THIS FACT AND IN ATTEMPTING TO OBSTRUCT JUSTICE IN ORLEANS PARISH."

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