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FROM NEW ORLEANS 98-69

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. MISC. - INFO CONCERNING. OO: DALLAS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TELCALL TO BUREAU INSTANT DATE.

NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM, RED FLASH EDITION, MAY EIGHT INSTANT, REPORTED THAT THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY JIM GARRISON TODAY SET THE TRAIL OF CLAY L ELEVEN, NEXT. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT SHAW'S ATTORNEYS SAID YESTERDAY THEY INTEND TO SEEK RELIEF FOR THEIR CLIENT Heli Oh 12 20. IN FEDERAL COURT.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY JAMES L. ALCOCK SAID TODAY IN A STATEMENT ON THE TRAIL DATE, "NOW THAT MR. SHAW'S DEFENSE ATTORNEYS HAVE EXHAUSTED THEIR PRE-TRIAL ACTIONS, THE LAW PERMITS THE STATE TO

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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"TODAY WE HAVE SET THE TRIAL OF CLAY L. SHAW FOR JUNE ELEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

TRIAL OF THIS CASE HAS BEEN DELAYED UNDULY LONG AND IT
IS OUR HOPE THAT WE CAN GO TO TRIAL ON THIS DATE.

"THE DEFENSE ATTORNEYS HAVE STATED THAT THEY INTEND TO TRY AND CARRY THEIR PRE-TRIAL PROCEEDINGS INTO FEDERAL COURT.

"INASMUCH AS THE FEDERAL COURTS HAVE ABOUT AS MUCH
JURISDICTION OVER THIS CASE AS THE COURTS OF ENGLAND OR INDIA,
WE SEE NO BASIS FOR ANY ADDITIONAL DELAY OF THE TRIAL ON
THIS ACCOUNT.

"OF COURSE, THERE HAVE BEEN INSTANCES RECENTLY WHEN
FEDERAL COURTS HAVE ASSUMED JURISDICTION WHERE, IN OUR JUDGEMENT,
NO BASIS FOR JURISDICTION HAS EXISTED.

"HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE EXTENSIVE EFFORT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO INTERFERE WITH AND OBSTRUCT OUR INVESTIGATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, I AM SURE THAT NO FEDERAL

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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JUDGE WILL ALLOW HIS COURT TO BE USED AS A SANCTUARY FOR FURTHER DELAY."

: THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT EDWARD F. WEGMANN, ONE OF SHAW\*
LAWYERS, ISSUED A BRIEF STATEMENT YESTERDAY WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

"IN RESPONSE TO MANY INQUIRIES DIRECTED TO MY COLLEAGUES AND MYSELF, I AM AUTHORIZED TO STATE THAT AS COUNSEL OF SHAW, WE DO INTEND TO SEEK RELIEF ON BEHALF OF MR. SHAW IN THE FEDERAL COURT SYSTEM."

NO LAM BEING SUBMITTED.

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