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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060) AND DALLAS

FROM NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE, MISCELLANEOUS
OFFICE OF ORTER
INFORMATION CONCERNING. TO, DALLAS.

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE, NEW ORLEANS, THIS DATE, REFLECTS THAT
GUY JOHNSON, A DEFENSE ATTORNEY FOR CLAY LASHAW, SAID
THAT HE WOULD FILE A MOTION BEFORE CRIMINAL DISTRICT JUDGE
BERNARD J. BAGERT AT TEN THIRTY A.M. THIS DATE TO QUASH.
JOHNSON IS QUOTED AS SAYING "WE WILL FILE MOTIONS FOR PARTICULARS DASH THE NATURE OF THE GRIME, THE NAMES OF THE COCONSPIRATORS, THE NAME OF THE UNAMED INFORMANT".

THE ARTICLE FURTHER REFLECTS THAT JOHNSON WAS ASKED BY
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS ABOUT REPORTS HE PLANNED TO TRY HOVING
THE CASE INTO FEDERAL COURT. JOHNSON REPLIED RIGHT, MOW THE
CASE IS NOT IN A STAGE OF MOVE ANYPLACE. I DON'T KNOW IF IT
EVER WILL BE; I MEAN, THERE ISN'T A CHARGE 12-111160 — 419961
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THE ARTICLE REFLECTS THAT WITH RESPECT TO THE PRELIMINARY
NEARING FOR SHAW SET BEFORE JUDGE BAGERT ON MARCH FOURTEEN NEXT,
THAT THERE WILL BE SEVEN SEATS RESERVED AT A SPECIAL TABLE FOR THE
FOLLOWING NEWS MEDIA: THE TIMES PICAYUNE, NEW ORLEANS STATESITEM, ASSOCIATED PRESS, UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL, COLUMBIA
BROADCASTING SYSTEM, NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, AND AMERICAN
BROADCASTING COMPANY.

IN ADDITION, JUDGE BAGERT IS QUOTED AS SAYING HE WILL SET ASIDE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF SEATS FOR THE REST OF THE PRESS AND WILL PROBABLY HAVE ABOUT FIFTY SPECIAL CARDS PRINTED FOR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NEWS MEDIA.

THE ARTICLE CONTINUED THAT "TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, INC.,"
A BUSINESSMAN'S FUND TO AID GARRISON'S PROBE, REPORTED THAT
CONTRIBUTIONS ARE COMING IN FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

JOSEPH M. RAULT, JR., ONE OF THE MEN WHO INSTIGATED THE FUND, IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE HAS NOT RECEIVED ONE CRITICAL LETTER, AND FURTHER THAT A GROUP OF BUSINESSMEN HAS AGREEDED TO FINANCE THE INVESTIGATION FOR FIVE YEARS, IF NECESSARY.

IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE MARCH FOURTEEN NEXT PRELIMINARY
HEARING FOR SHAW WAS REQUESTED BY GARRISON AND FURTHER THAT
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