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

A confidential source, contact with whom has been insufficient upon which to judge his reliability, advised on June 9, 1967, that Television Station KATC, Lafayette, Louisiana, carried the Bob Hamm Speech report on May 22, 1967, and May 23, 1967, captioned "Garrison and the Mafia." Source stated this report had been prepared by Bob Hamm and Joe Holstead, who were in Texas when the assassination occurred and made inquiries in Dallas for News Media.

Source continued by stating the report indicated that District Attorney Garrison believed that organized crime, specifically, "La Cosa Nostra" is responsible along with other Anti-Castroites for the assassination. The reason being is that organized crime wanted the assassination to appear as though it had been done at the instigation of Castro, and this would then, hopefully, arouse the United States to a point where Castro would be removed from power in Cuba thereby allowing reopening of the gambling casinos and other hoodlum interest.

Source said the report also mentioned that David Ferrie may have "flown" some missions for a very important member of the syndicate who has been a long-time resident of Louisiana" (Carlos Marcello).

In addition, source stated that during the latter part of March, 1967, he had seen a New Orleans Police Department photograph of a Cuban or Puerto Rican national named First Name Unknown Santanna, whom he described as about thirty or thirty-three, dark hair, olive complexion and slender build.

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Source said Santanna was alleged to have owned an Italian Manlicher-Carcano rifle similar to that used by that of Oswald and that Santanna was alleged to have been located in the Plaza in Dallas during the assassination but did not fire his rifle and disappeared that day and has not been heard of since.

Source said it was his understanding that Santanna had been there allegedly at the instructions of Sergio Arcacho Smith, Oswald, Ferrie, and Clay Shaw.

Source also stated it was his understanding that Garrison considered Layton Martens of Lafayette, Louisiana, as a very important link in this matter, and it was pointed out by source that Martens is believed to have lived with both Ferrie and Shaw, having shown Shaw's address as his own while attending the University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette.

It was the understanding of source that Garrison had been conducting an exhaustive search to locate a man named First Name Unknown D'Mare (phonetic), who was supposed to have traveled to Galveston, Texas, about the time of the assassination and there met with Ruby and Ferrie. Source said D'Mare has relatives in the Galveston, Texas, area named McKenna and that about five weeks ago D'Mare was a stand-up master of ceremonies in a Las Vegas, Nevada, nightclub.