

# Perry Russo Subpenaed by Shaw Forces

In a surprise move, attorneys for Clay L. Shaw today subpenaed Perry Raymond Russo, the state's star witness, for Monday's pre-trial hearing.

Russo, a Baton Rouge insurance agent, testified for the state in the preliminary hearing against Shaw, a retired New Orleans businessman. It was largely on the basis of his testimony that Shaw was held for trial on charges of criminal conspiracy in the slaying of President John F. Kennedy.

No explanation was given for the defense move.

The address given for Russo on the original subpoena was the Orleans Parish District Attorney's office. Today, however, the DA's office gave Russo's address as 4122 Prytania, and a new subpoena was issued giving this address.

Sheriff's deputies were attempting to serve the subpoena today.

Russo testified at the preliminary hearing that he had heard Shaw discuss the President's murder in September, 1963, with David William Ferrie and Lee Harvey Oswald, both now dead.

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was apparently "blind to the truth."

"I SUPPORT Secretary McNamara's statement that Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge and Gen. William C. Westmoreland would not attempt to brainwash anyone. . . . Visitors to South Vietnam get candid and factual statements from our ambassador and the commander in chief," Rusk said.

This was Rusk's first news conference since July 19, 1967. On other points, he said:

1. He found no evidence in the actions of North Vietnam to indicate that the leaders in Hanoi are likely to be responsive to peace moves at this time—either the possibility of a new U.N. bid or a Saigon bombing pause proposal. Rusk added that since the conference on neighboring Laos in 1962, there has been "no response from Hanoi" designed to move the Southeast Asian war toward a peaceful settlement.

2. He cannot give any "gold-plated guarantees" that U.S. bombing operations close to the border of Red China will not lead to Chinese entry into the war. But Rusk said it would "be ill-advised for the authorities in China" to decide to go in. The United States has no designs on China, he said.

3. THE UNITED STATES—as it has done since 1950—intends to oppose again this year all proposals for making Communist China a member of the United Nations. He predicted a majority of U.N. members would vote against admitting Peking on Peking's terms; that is, with the prior ouster of Nationalist China.

4. Participants in the Middle East crisis—obviously meaning Arab and Israeli leaders—seem to be showing some sense of the realities they are up against. Rusk said that was true "on both sides," and he obviously took it as a slightly encouraging sign in the area.

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