

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1-Mr. DeLoach
1-Mr. Sullivan
1-D. J. Brennan

DATE: 1/23/69

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : C. D. DE LOACH

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

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Secret Service Director James Rowley called at 2:30 p. m. this afternoon. He made reference to the captioned matter and stated that one of his former men, now retired, by the name of Kellerman, who was in the front seat in President Kennedy's car the day of the assassination, has been subpoenaed by Garrison to testify in the trial of Clay L. Shaw.

Rowley told me that he and Secret Service want to vigorously fight this matter. He stated he was having difficulty, however, in that the Treasury Department, in view of the period of transition, had no General Counsel and therefore the Secret Service found it necessary to turn to the Department of Justice and consult with an attorney by the name of Yardley. Rowley stated that Yardley had advised him that Kellerman would definitely have to appear and testify. Rowley stated that he still did not believe this was necessary and that he and Secret Service planned to do everything possible to prevent it.

Rowley asked me what the FBI was doing with respect to Special Agent Frazier of our Laboratory. I told him we had immediately notified the Department of Justice by letter and that we, of course, were awaiting a decision in this regard. I stated that with respect to a former Agent who had investigated aspects of this matter in New Orleans and who was now a resident of the State of Louisiana, had been subpoenaed; that the Department had also been notified in this instance and were considering invoking Executive Privilege. I stated, of course, that the difference between the former field Agent and the Laboratory Agent lay in the fact that the field Agent actively investigated the case in Garrison's territory. I told Rowley that the deplorability of the entire matter was the fact that all necessary testimony appears to have been given to the Warren Commission that that obviously Garrison was simply out to make more publicity for himself. Rowley agreed and stated that he would keep us advised regarding any actions taken by him.

ACTION: For record purposes.

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