UNITED STATES COL RIMENT Memoranc 1 - Mr. C. P. DeLoach 1 - Kr. A. sen 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop W. C. Sullivan DATE: February 13, 1969 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan - Mr. W. A. Branigan - Mr. T. N. Goble SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS For information, trial of Clay Shaw in New Orleans continued 2/12/69, per news media, with these pertinent developments. Former boxer, Andrew J. Sciambra, now one of Garrison's assistants, took stand to explain why his 3700-word report of first interview with Perry Russo omitted most crucial facts, Russo's story of Shaw-Ferrie-Oswald meeting at which assassination was discussed. Defense contends Sciambra's omission indicates Russo did not mention meeting until subsequent interviews, when under hypnosis. Defense suggests story planted in Russo's mind after Sciambra interviewed him and while he was in trance. Sciambra contended Russo mentioned story and he merely forgot to include it in his report. (This is a feeble explanation, to write 3700 words and forget the most important part.) Another prosecution witness, C. R. Roland, former manager of Houston, Texas, ice skating rink, testified Ferrie visited there 11/23/63. This is true. Ferrie told us on 11/25/63 that he left New Orleans 6:30 p.m., 11/22/63, with two friends, and arrived in Houston about 4:30 a.m., 11/23/63. Later that day they went to the skating rink and Ferrie introduced himself to Chuck Rolland and discussed with him cost of operating such a business. Ferrie explained to us that he was considering opening ice skating rink in New Orleans. Prosecution argues Ferrie made trip to establish alibi. In view of times involved, this doesn't make much sense. Third witness for prosecution was New Orleans letter carrier who testified he delivered mail addressed to Clem Bertrand (alias of Shaw, according to Garrison) to home which Shaw was using as forwarding address, in 1966. We never investigated Clay Shaw and have no information on the significance of this testimony. ACTION: 12 FEB 24 1969 Case being closely followed. For information. 10 m 62-109060