

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : W. A. Branigan

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

- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop

DATE: 2/18/69

- 1 - Mr. I. W. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. T. N. Goble

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St. B. Kennedy

For information, press media report Regis Kennedy, retired Special Agent, FBI, testified 2/17/69 in Clay Shaw trial in New Orleans. Kennedy testified concerning information obtained from Dean Andrews, New Orleans Attorney, that on 11/23/63 Andrews received telephone call in hospital from Clay Bertrand, who asked Andrews to represent Lee Harvey Oswald. After clearance from Department, Kennedy testified he was working on assassination investigation before he received Andrews' information, he made extensive effort to locate Bertrand and Bertrand was never located. Press media point out that Andrews has since repudiated his "tip," also that Andrews was convicted of perjury by Garrison in 1967 for changing his story. (Warren Commission interviewed Andrews and noted his testimony, noting also Andrews was under heavy sedation at time person supposedly called him on 11/23/63.)

Testimony also received 2/17/69 of Kansas pathologist's observations of Zapruder film. He said movie indicated President Kennedy's fatal wound could have come from front, but his testimony not completed due to illness of juror. (Apparently this man has seen no evidence other than the film.) Defense has consistently objected to repeated show^{ing} of Zapruder film by Garrison (9 times through 2/17/69) as inflammatory.

In Washington, D. C., Judge Halleck ordered U. S. Archivist to provide autopsy photographs and other physical evidence for use in trial and Department will appeal order, according to press.

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For information. Shaw trial being closely followed.

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