

He said the committee hoped to find private financial support to hire a professional staff for its investigations.

Other board members, <sup>Catip</sup> said Fensterwald, include Bill Turner of San Francisco, a former FBI agent; Richard Sprague of Hartsdale, N.Y., a computer expert; Fred J. Cook, Englewood, N.J., author; Lloyd Tupling, associated with DC the Sierra Club here, and Paris Flammonde, a New York writer who will have a book out next week on assassinations.

Eight more board members will be named later, Fensterwald said.

2. William Turner and Fred J. Cook are well known to you. Paris Flammonde appears in the January 1969 issue of Evergreen as the author of an article entitled "Why President Kennedy Was Killed". His book The Kennedy Conspiracy has been published by Meredith Press, New York. The dust cover of the book states that Flammonde was for many years the producer of the Long John Nebel radio show. We have no record of him.

3. Reference is made to your memorandum, New York office, 24 August 1956, subject: [REDACTED]

If so, any additional information is also requested.

4. Our records show that Richard Sprague, a management consultant and photographic researcher, appeared in a New York Times article of 24 May 1968 in which he claimed that within an hour of the assassination of President Kennedy three men may have been pulled off freight cars in a railroad yard near Dealy Plaza. We have no further identifiable record of him. We also have no record of Lloyd Tupling, [REDACTED]

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Memorandum to Mr. Bishop dated 1/6/68 reported that a new National Committee to Investigate Assassinations was formed and this new committee was to include as board members Bernard Fensterwald, New Orleans District Attorney Garrison, former FBI Agent William Turner, and Earl J. Casper, Richard Sprague, Alvin Karpis, and Fred Flammock. CIA requested data in our files concerning Fensterwald, Sprague, Tugling and Flammock.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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TO: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attention: Mr. S.J. Papich

FROM: Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination: of John F. Kennedy  
Layton Patrick Martens

1. On 15 January 1969 we were advised by the FBI that Subject had been in touch with the Bureau's office in New Orleans and had stated that he had been contacted by one of Clay Shaw's attorneys, who requested that he serve as a witness for the defense. He foresaw no problem, he said, except that he could be asked questions about the Cuban Revolutionary Front, [redacted]. Subject asked the FBI for advice. The Bureau replied that it could not provide advice on the topic.

2. Martens appears prominently in six previous FBI reports forwarded to this Agency and ranging in dates from 3 March 1967 to 5 July 1968.

3. Subject is not and has not been an employee or associate of CIA.

4. The Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD, Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front) was created in May 1960 [redacted]. In October 1961 it was absorbed by the Cuban Revolutionary Council (CRC). Sergio Vicente Arcacha Smith was the FRD delegate in New Orleans before

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the Bay of Pigs (15-16 April 1961) and held this position until the FRD ceased to function in October 1961. He was not, however, an employee or source of CIA. FBI reports and the press have indicated that Martens and Arcacha were associated in New Orleans in 1961, when they solicited funds for an anti-Castro organization. The press has repeated assertions by Garrison's office that both Martens and Arcacha, as well as others, were involved in the robbery of a munitions bunker at Houma, Louisiana. According to one John W. Whelan, cited in an FBI report of 5 July 1968, Martens is under indictment in state court on a charge of perjury. The charge was levelled by Garrison.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attention: Mr. S.J. Pappich

SUBJECT : Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination  
Dr. John M. Nichols

1. Dr. John Marshall Nichols, a University of Kansas pathologist, has testified at the Clay Shaw trial that "photographic evidence of President Kennedy's assassination was 'compatible' with the theory that the fatal shot was fired from the front."

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4. It is requested that any additional information which you may possess on this subject be provided to this Agency.

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Date: March 7, 1969  
To: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans  
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Subject: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. B. J. White (7621 JB)
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Reference is made to your communication dated February 28, 1969, entitled "Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination. Dr. John M. Nichols."

The files of the FBI contain a number of references to Dr. John M. Nichols, Associate Pathologist, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, pertaining to his interest in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Dr. Nichols has written a number of letters to this Bureau requesting information concerning the assassination. In his letters Dr. Nichols has sought information concerning the tests made on certain items of evidence and has displayed a particular interest in the details of the autopsy of President Kennedy.

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For your information, Dr. Nichols has brought suit against the United States Government for release of information pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy. The bulk of the information desired by Dr. Nichols from the Government pertains to the autopsy of President Kennedy. The suit is entitled "John Nichols versus United States of America, et al.," and was brought in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas, Civil Number 7-4586.

It should be noted that Dr. Nichols is understood to be preparing a book regarding the assassination of President Kennedy.

In addition to the background information furnished by you in referenced communication concerning Dr. Nichols, the files of this Bureau contain the following information which may be of interest to you. Nichols's wife in 1956 was Norma Mary Hajek Nichols and at that time they resided in Richmond, Virginia. Mrs. Nichols was born [redacted] at Buffalo, New York. Her father, Joseph Hajek, was born November 18, 1885, in Czechoslovakia and came to the United States in 1903 and was naturalized in 1914. Her mother was Mary Christine Hajek, nee Cerny, and was born December 26, 1901, in Czechoslovakia.

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Dr. Nichols was the expert witness for NO DA James C. Garrison in the trial of Clay Shaw. He testified that the fatal bullet which struck President Kennedy was fired from the front, in his opinion. His opinion was based on his study of the Zapruder film. The defense brought out on cross-examination that Dr. Nichols is suing the Federal Government to be permitted to

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examine the photographs of the President to see for himself where the bullet entered the President's body. A well-recognized Army pathologist has confidentially advised Nichols is

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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Deputy Assistant Secretary for Security  
Department of State

**SUBJECT:** Charles William Thomas

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Reference is made to your memorandum of 28 August 1969.

We have examined the attachments, and see no need for further  
action. A copy of this reply has been sent to the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation and the United States Secret Service.

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**FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS:**

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

- 1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. J.H. Gale
- 1 - Mr. T.E. Bishop

DATE: 1/18/71

FROM : W. R. Wannall

- 1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. W.R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. Nasca

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INVOLVEMENT IN ATTEMPTS TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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*ASSASSINATION of John F. Kennedy*

Memorandum concerns Jack Anderson's column in 1/18/71 "Washington Post," which indicates Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) made six attempts to assassinate Premier Fidel Castro.

Anderson claims CIA's first attempt began as part of Bay of Pigs operation (1961); after it failed sent five more assassination teams to Cuba; and among those privy to CIA conspiracy is suspicion, unsupported by Warren Commission's findings, that Castro became aware of assassination plot and somehow recruited Lee Harvey Oswald to retaliate against President Kennedy. With regard to first attempt, Anderson stated CIA enlisted Robert Maheu, former FBI Agent, who recruited gambler John Roselli to arrange assassination.

CIA's involvement in Castro assassination plan first came to our attention in 1961. At that time, we conducted investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or use of Communications Statute by Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Our investigation determined this involved Maheu who stated coverage was instituted in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli another hoodlum.

On 5/3/61, CIA advised it was utilizing ~~Maheu~~ as intermediary with Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. On 5/22/61, we furnished facts to then Attorney General Kennedy. On 5/9/62, Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice. On 3/6/67, all information in our files concerning this matter was furnished to Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General.

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Memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. C. D. Brennan  
Re: Central Intelligence Agency's Involvement in  
Attempts to Assassinate Castro

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In February, 1967, Secret Service advised columnist Drew Pearson contacted former Chief Justice Warren concerning information in possession of Attorney Edward P. Morgan, former Bureau Inspector. Morgan alleged former Attorney General Kennedy organized group to kill Castro. Subsequently, after Castro learned of plot, he decided to utilize same procedure to kill President Kennedy and hired Oswald to do the job. On 3/17/67, White House requested Bureau interview Morgan concerning assassination of President Kennedy.

Morgan was interviewed on 3/20/67. Due to attorney-client relationship, Morgan would not identify persons who furnished information concerning assassination. Morgan alleged his clients were used by a Government Agency (obviously CIA) to plot assassination of Castro and that Castro learned of plot and thereafter dispatched teams of assassins to U. S. to assassinate President Kennedy. He stated that the information attributed to Drew Pearson probably arose as a result of comments Morgan made suggesting that Lee Harvey Oswald "was not the only person involved" in the assassination of President Kennedy. Morgan furnished no information to the effect Castro hired Oswald to assassinate Kennedy and we developed no such information during our extensive investigation of the Kennedy assassination. Results of our interview with Morgan together with the information we previously had concerning CIA's involvement in plot to assassinate Castro, was furnished White House, Attorney General, and Secret Service on 3/22/67.

We have no information concerning the other five CIA alleged assassination plots against Castro.

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THE WASHINGTON POST Monday, Jan. 18, 1971

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# 6 Attempts to Kill Castro Laid to CIA

By Jack Anderson

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Among those privy to the CIA conspiracy, there is still a nagging suspicion—unsupported by the Warren Commission's findings—that Castro became aware of the U.S. plot upon his life and somehow recruited Oswald to retal-

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# Castro Plot Raises Ugly Questions

By Jack Anderson

The plot to kill Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, hidden for 10 years from the public, raises some ugly questions that high officials would rather keep buried deep inside the Central Intelligence Agency.

1. Has the CIA tried to assassinate any other leaders? John McCone, who headed the CIA during the six attempts to knock off Castro, denied emphatically that the CIA has tried to kill anyone. But ex-Sen. George Smathers, one of John F. Kennedy's closest friends, told us the late President suspected that the CIA had arranged the shootings of the Dominican Republic's Rafael Trujillo in 1961 and South Vietnam's Ngo Dinh Diem in 1963.

2. Did President Kennedy personally sanction the plot against Castro? The preparations to assassinate the Cuban dictator began during the last months of the Eisenhower administration as part of the Bay of Pigs scheme. All six attempts, however, were made during 1961-63 when Mr. Kennedy occupied the White House. Smathers told us he once spoke to the late President about assassinating Castro. Mr. Kennedy merely rolled back his eyes, recalled Smathers, as if to indicate the idea was too wild to discuss. Subsequently, Mr. Kennedy told Smathers of his suspicion that the CIA may have been

behind the Trujillo and Diem assassinations.

3. Did the late Robert Kennedy know about the assassination attempts? After the Bay of Pigs fiasco, President Kennedy swore to friends he would like "to splinter the CIA in a thousand pieces and scatter it to the winds." He put his brother, Robert, in charge of the CIA with instructions to shake it up. The CIA made five attempts on Castro's life after the Bay of Pigs while Robert Kennedy was riding herd on the agency.

4. Could the plot against Castro have backfired against President Kennedy? The late President was murdered nine months after the last assassination team was caught on a Havana rooftop with high-powered rifles. Presumably, they were subjected to fiendish tortures until they told all they knew. None of the assassination teams, however, had direct knowledge of the CIA involvement. The CIA instigators had represented themselves as oilmen seeking revenge against Castro for his seizure of oil holdings.

### PLOT BACKFIRE?

Former associates recall that Robert Kennedy, deeply despondent, went into semi-seclusion after his brother's assassination. Could he have been tormented by more than natural grief? He certainly learned that the assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, had been active in the pro-Castro move-

ment and had traveled to Mexico to visit the Cuban Embassy a few weeks before the dreadful day in Dallas. Could Bob Kennedy have been plagued by the terrible thought that the CIA plot, which he must at least have condoned, put into motion forces that may have brought about his brother's martyrdom?

The last surviving brother, Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass), could give us no insight. His brothers had never spoken to him about any assassination attempts against Castro, he said. He was aware, he volunteered, only that Sen. Smathers had talked to the late President about eliminating Castro.

Smathers told us that President Kennedy seemed "horrified" at the idea of political assassinations. "I remember him saying," recalled Smathers, "that the CIA frequently did things he didn't know about, and he was unhappy about it. He complained that the CIA was almost autonomous."

*W.A. Rouse*

*J. A. ...*

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"He told me he believed the CIA had arranged to have Diem and Trujillo bumped off. He was pretty well shocked about that. He thought it was a stupid thing to do, and he wanted to get control of what the CIA was doing."

But McCone, disagreeing vigorously, told us that "no plot was authorized or implemented" to assassinate Castro, Trujillo, Diem or anyone else.

"During those days of tension, there was a wide spectrum of plans ranging from one extreme to another," McCone admitted. "Whenever this subject (assassinating Castro) was brought up—and it was — it was rejected immediately on two grounds. First, it would not be condoned by anybody. Second, it wouldn't have achieved anything."

There was also talk in high places, McCone acknowledged, of supporting a coup to oust Diem. The former CIA director said he had argued against this at a secret session with both Kennedy brothers. He had contended that there was no one strong enough to take Diem's place and that a coup, therefore, would bring "political upheaval."

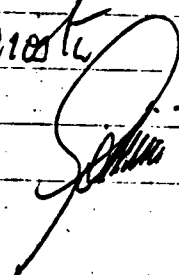
"I told the President and Bobby together," recalled McCone. "that if I were running a baseball team and had only one pitcher, I wouldn't take him out of the game."

The November, 1963, coup caught the United States completely by surprise, he said. While the plotters were moving on the palace, he said, then-Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge was visiting Diem. Adm. Ulysses Sharp, then our Pacific commander, had also been present but left early to go to the ...

McCone said President Diem escaped through a tunnel but was caught in nearby Cholon and "shot in a station wagon."

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lettera sono di un'estrema  
importanza ai fini della verità  
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La prego di informarsi tramite  
la Vostra legazione diplomatica, se  
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in Francese è stata letta, tradotta,  
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Guilio GASLINI

Toulouse 13/V/67

Consulate General OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To the kind attention Mr. John E. Hall

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 5, 1967.  
But I think we have not understood each other.  
I already have made statements about the subject of our letters but in the  
French language, in the office of Mr. Attorney Jim Garrison in my letter sent  
on 17/3/67. I have doubts that in New Orleans they have not understood the  
value of these statements. I want only that you see that my letter was really  
interpreted and translated and above all understood.  
In anticipation, Mr. Vice Consul, believe me yours truly.

(Signed) GASLINI

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AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

Consulate generale  
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BORDEAUX, FRANCE

A la gentil attention Monsieur John E. Hall.

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 5/Mai/1967.

Mais je crois que nous ne sommes pas entendus.

J'ai déjà fait des déclarations sur l'objet de vos lettres, mais en langue française au le Bureau de

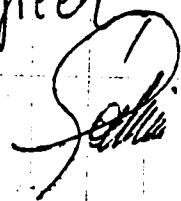
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Mr le Procureur Jim Jamison, dans  
une lettre expedie le 17/3/67.

Je doute que a New Orleans  
ont n'ont pas compris le valon  
des cette declaration.

Je voulais simplement que Vous  
accortiez que une lettre elle a été  
vraiment interprete' e traduit e  
sont tout compris e.

Je Vous prie dans l'attente,  
Messieurs le Vice Consul d'agées  
me salutations distinguées





TRANSLATION FROM ITALIAN

ITEM (1)  
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Toulouse, April 26, 1967

From: Giulio Gaslini  
18 bis Grande Rue St. Michel  
Account 9010 (?)  
Toulouse (France)

To: His Excellency  
The Consul General of the United States of America  
in Toulouse

I wish to inform you that I have written a registered letter to the Office of the State Attorney of New Orleans, to Mr. Jim Garrison.

In it, I explained that I had knowledge about a "dossier" ("file") concerning the death of the lamented President J. F. Kennedy.

I think that all the facts revealed in my letter are extremely important in order to establish truth and justice.

Please find out through diplomatic channels whether my letter, written in French, was actually read, translated, and above all understood in New Orleans.

In awaiting your answer, I am

Sincerely,

P. S. Enclosure: a "receipt of reception"

s/ Gaslini

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*Mr. L. Minskovich : dav* COPIES DESTROYED

*September 21 1967*

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TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH

ITEM (2)  
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Toulouse, May 13, 1967

From: Guilio Gaslini

To: The Consulate General  
of the United States of America

To the kind attention of Mr. John E. Hall

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated  
May 5, 1967.

However, I think that we have not understood each other.

I have already made declarations concerning the subject of our  
letters; however, these declarations were made in French and addressed  
to the Office of Attorney Garrison on March 17, 1967. I doubt that they have  
understood the value of these declarations in New Orleans.

I only wanted that you ascertain that my letter was truly interpreted,  
translated, and above all understood.

In awaiting (your reply), accept, Mr. Vice Consul, my distinguished  
regards.

s/ Gaslini

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TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH

ITEM (3)  
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Giulio Gaslini  
18 bis Grande Rue St. Michel  
31 Toulouse

Toulouse, August 8, 1967

Mr. Consul General,

I have already corresponded with your Vice Consul, Mr. John E. Hall, and have had the honor to receive his letter explaining that your Consulate could not do anything, through the diplomatic pouch, about the declarations concerning the case of J. F. Kennedy.

Mr. Consul General, I have now received a registered and special delivery letter from Mr. R. William Martin, Assistant District Attorney of New Orleans, State of Louisiana. Mr. Martin urgently asks me for information concerning the letter which I sent to him on March 3, 1967.

Unfortunately, because of the French authorities, this is not possible, due to the censor and diplomacy.

I do not quite understand the situation. After all, I am asking only and simply to be able to make declarations in English or in Italian, because they are languages more familiar to me.

That is forbidden to me.

In the interest of your country, I kindly ask you, Mr. Consul General, to find a solution to the question, and please accept my most distinguished regard

s/ Gaslini

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Assassination of  
President John F.  
Kennedy

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

SUBJECT : Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination -  
Comment on Playboy Interview

James C. GARRISON

Transmitted herewith is a summary of the false allegations

about CIA made by District Attorney Garrison during an interview  
printed in the October issue of Playboy magazine.

~~CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY~~  
~~FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS~~

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SUBJECT : Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination -  
Comment on Playboy Interview

1. The most extensive single statement of Garrison's views about the assassination of President Kennedy appears in an interview published in the October 1967 issue of Playboy. The preliminary comment and interview cover the equivalent of slightly more than twenty pages, three columns to the page: a total of ca 27,000 words.

2. Garrison has cast CIA in the role of opponent and villain, both in the assassination and in his opinions about corruption in government, and he hammers at this theme constantly. The twenty pages of the article contain 122 explicit references to CIA. Most of them are derogatory.

3. The fact that Garrison's charges against CIA are false, like most of his charges against other elements of the federal government as well as many private citizens, does not mean that when he goes to court his case will collapse like a house of cards. Garrison has not yet exposed his hand and will not do so before the trial.

4. The essentials of the Garrison version of the Kennedy assassination and his unsubstantiated charges against the Agency are as follows:

a. Oswald was a CIA agent well before he went to the U.S.S.R., while still in the Marines. His seemingly pro-Communist attitude and activities were merely cover;

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he was actually anti-Castro and an anti-Communist. Although he was one of the conspirators, he was unaware that at higher levels of the conspiracy he had been selected as the "patsy", the innocent man who would be made the scapegoat.

b. "Throughout the late summer and fall of 1963, Lee Oswald was shepherded in Dallas and New Orleans by a CIA 'babysitter', who watched over Oswald's activities and stayed with him. My office knows who he is and what he looks like . . . When Oswald went to Mexico City . . . this CIA agent accompanied him!"

c. ". . . Oswald was virtually surrounded by White Russians in Dallas, some of whom were CIA employees."

d. Oswald did not fire a shot at President Kennedy, Officer J. D. Tippit, or anyone else on 22 November 1963.

e. Clay Shaw was a central figure in the conspiracy.

f. So was David Ferrie, who was also paid by CIA to train Cuban exile groups "and to fly counterrevolutionary secret missions to Cuba . . . ."

g. Jack Ruby, also a key member of the conspiracy, worked for CIA as a "bag man". He was paid by CIA to "smuggle arms for Cuban exile groups."

h. President Kennedy was shot by a group of at least seven marksmen, some of them American right-wing fanatics and others anti-Castro Cubans. They fired from the grassy knoll, the Dal-Tex Building, and the Book Depository. They fired frangible bullets, ". . . issued by CIA for use in anti-Castro-exile raids on Cuba." A number of these men "were former employees of the CIA involved in its anti-Castro underground activities in and around New Orleans."



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i. CIA has a record of lying: Guzman in Guatemala, Mossadegh in Iran, the revolt against Sukarno, the U-2, the Bay of Pigs, etc.

j. "In the New Orleans area, where the conspiracy was hatched, the CIA was training a mixed bag of Minutemen, Cuban exiles, and other adventurers north of Lake Pontchartrain for a foray into Cuba and an assassination attempt on Fidel Castro."

k. While President Kennedy was striving to reach a detente with Castro, CIA kept fanning the hopes of the anti-Castro exiles. In the late summer of 1963, however, President Kennedy forced CIA to stop giving money to the exiles. They then decided to kill Kennedy instead of Castro.

l. ~~Donald P. Norton~~ <sup>L.G.</sup> (whom Garrison identified clearly, though not by name) was formerly a CIA courier. As such he met both Ferrie and Oswald in 1963, when both were associated with CIA. Garrison intends to put Norton on the stand as a witness.

m. Gordon Novel was a paid CIA employee. In 1961 he raided a munitions bunker in Houma, Louisiana, on CIA orders. He also worked in New Orleans for the Evergreen Advertising Agency, a CIA front.

n. The Warren Commission reached all the wrong conclusions because ". . . CIA lied to the Commission right down the line. . . ." CIA also manufactured false evidence.

o. "Most of the attorneys for the hostile witnesses and defendants were hired by the CIA - through one or another of its covers."

// p. ". . . the CIA has behaved like a cross between the Gestapo and the NKVD. . . ."

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q. "In a very real and terrifying sense, our Government is the CIA and the Pentagon, with Congress reduced to a debating society. . . . I've learned enough about the machinations of the CIA in the past year to know that this is no longer the dreamworld America I once believed in. . . . the awesome power of the CIA and the defense establishment. . . seem destined to seal the fate of . . . America . . . ."

6. District Attorney Garrison has not approached CIA in New Orleans, Washington, or elsewhere. He has extended no amenities and sought no consultation. As early as 5 May 1967 New Orleans newspapers reported the allegation that CIA had "a deep involvement. . . among certain principals of the DA's continuing inquiry". By 8 May 1967 Garrison was calling for a Senate investigation of the Agency. His allegations that CIA has tried to block his investigation are obviously false, and he knows it. In brief, there is reason to conclude that Garrison had made up his mind to attack the Agency either before or shortly after the case was first publicized.

7. Finally, Garrison and his attack upon CIA are not going to go quietly away whatever the outcome of the Shaw trial. He seems to have every intention of making a career of the case. The Playboy interview ends with these words: "If it takes me 30 years to nail every one of the assassins, then I will continue this investigation for 30 years. I owe that not only to Jack Kennedy but to my country."



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**ASSASSINATION of  
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Alphabetical Key to Chart of  
Garrison Case

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**ALCOCK, James L.**

Assistant District Attorney, Garrison's Office.

*R. Johnson*

**ANDERSON, H. H.**

Possible witness. Reportedly a former employee in a Dallas hotel where (according to Garrison) Oswald, Ruby, and Shaw met in 1963.

**ANDREWS, Dean Jr.**

Lawyer and former witness convicted by Garrison's staff of perjury.

**ARCACHA Smith, Sergio.**

Alleged witness whom Garrison has been unable to extradite from Texas.

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**BADEAUX, Hubert.**

Investigator for the District Attorney of Jefferson Parish. Has given Garrison information.

**BAGERT, Bernard J.**

Judge who denied a defense motion to quash Garrison's bribery charge against Walter Sheridan.

**BALDWIN, Edward.**

Attorney for Sheridan.

**BARTES, Frank.**

Cuban. Head of Cuban Revolutionary Council in New Orleans.

**BEUBOUF, Alvin.**

Witness. Former roommate of David Ferris. Charged that Garrison and staff tried to intimidate and bribe him.

**BETHELL, Thomas.**

DC [Signature]

Investigator for Garrison, British citizen, who got from National Archives titles of classified CIA documents pertaining to the Warren Report.

**BLACKMON, Jerome Andrew.**

Possible witness. Ex-marine alleged by Gordon Novel to have been in Ferris's apartment on the night when, according to Garrison, the assassination plot was discussed.

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**BRADNEY, Thomas M. Jr.**

Judge. Signed a writ for the arrest of Walter Sheridan.

**BREWER, Milton.**

Attorney representing Layton Patrick Martens and Walter Sheridan.

**BREQUER, Carlos Jose.**

Possible witness. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Has been questioned and polygraphed by Garrison.

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**BROWN, Robert K.**

Possible witness. Writer associated with Panther Publications, a left wing house, who has been investigating CIA in Miami. May be linked to RAMON and/or Garrison.

**BUNBY, Vernon.**

Witness. Claims he saw a Shaw-Oswald meeting before the assassination in 1963. Drug addict and convict.

**BURNS, Richard.**

Assistant SA for Garrison.

**BUSNEDO, Julian.**

Cuban. Possible witness. According to Dean Andrews, Busnedo was subpoenaed during Shaw's preliminary hearing and Garrison will name him as one of the assassins.

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**CANCLER, John.**

Witness. Convicted burglar who charged that Garrison's staff tried to bribe him.

**CARBALLO, Rene.**

Cuban. Has been conducting his own investigation, possibly on behalf of Garrison.

**CARTER, Kenneth.**

Possible witness. Perry Russo has claimed that Carter was at Ferris's apartment early in the evening when, later, the assassination plot was allegedly discussed.

**CHETTA, Dr. Nicholas.**

Coroner for New Orleans Parish.

**COFFEY, Melvin.**

Possible witness. Was questioned by Garrison's office, as were David Ferris and Alvin Beachum, soon after the assassination.

**COLVIN, Ernest Jr.**

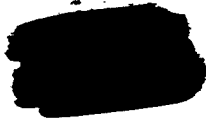
Attorney for Sergio Areacha Smith.

**COMBKEY, James A.**

Judge in Novel's aborted case against Garrison.



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**CUMMINGS, Raymon (or Richard).**

**Possible witness. Cab driver who claims he drove Oswald and Ferrie to Ruby's club.**

**CUSCO, Gelpi, Jose Manuel.**

**Cuban. Delegate of the Christian Democratic Movement in New Orleans. Collected funds for the Cuban Revolutionary Council.**

**DALZELL, William Wayne.**

**Witness. Brought to Garrison's office by a subpoena issued 3 June 1967. One of the incorporators of Friends of Democratic Cuba.**

**DANN, Sal.**

**Attorney for Jack Ruby. Has urged that Garrison be disbarred.**

**DAVIS, Eugene C.**

**Possible witness. Dean Andrews claimed Davis used the alias Clay or Clem Bertrand, said by Garrison to have been used as an alias by Shaw. Andrews was convicted of perjury.**

~~**DAVIS, Howard Kenneth.**~~

Law

~~**Associated with Gerald Patrick Hemming Jr. in giving para-military training to Cubans.**~~



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**DAVIS, Rudolph Richard.**

Cuban, formerly in New Orleans, about whom newspapers printed sensational and untrue accounts of plans for anti-Castro activity.

**DePUGH, Jerry.**

Possible witness. Alleged to have been an associate of David Ferris and Edward Stuart Suggs, alias Jack S. Martin.

~~**DESLATTE, Oscar.**~~

Possible witness. Used car dealer who claims he was approached by two men two weeks before the assassination about selling them a truck. One of the men, according to Deslatte, was C. Wald.

**DYMOND, Irvin F.**

Attorney for Cissy Shaw.

**EHLINGER, Rector Bicio.**

Possible witness. Former business associate of Novel, who alleged that Ehlinger was involved in the theft of munitions from a bunker at Houma, La.

**FATTER, Dr. Edward F.**

On Garrison's staff. Physician and hypnotist.

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**FERNANDEZ Barcena, Fernando Jose.**

Cuban. A GOC infiltration agent at the training camp at Lacombe, La.

**FERNANDEZ Hechavarria, Alberto Federico.**

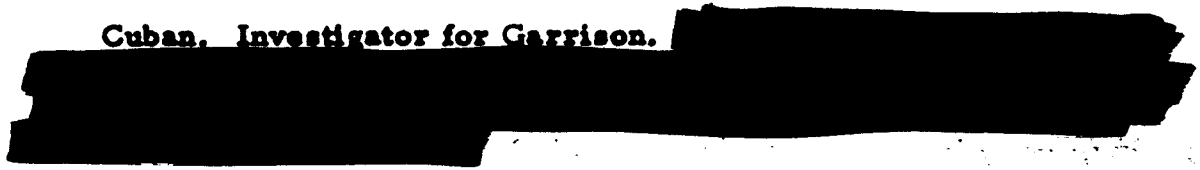
Cuban. Possible witness. Associated with Lawrence J. Laborde.

**FORNES, fnu.**

Cuban. Alleged by Carlos Quiroga to have been one of a nineteen men Miami group that underwent para-military training at Lacombe, La.

**FOWLER Perillait, Alberto Casimir.**

Cuban. Investigator for Garrison.



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**GARCIA Gonzales, Manuel.**

Cuban. Garrison reportedly seeking GARCIA as witness of culprit. May not exist.

**GARRISON, James C.**

District Attorney, New Orleans Paris. *A*



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**GILL, G. Wray.**

**Attorney for Eugene C. Davis.**

**GONZALEZ De Torres Alvarez, Bernardo.**

**Cuban. Investigator for Garrison. Aka Bernardo Torres.**

**GURVICH, William H.**

**Possible witness for the defense. Former Garrison investigator who is now opposed to his tactics and has stated that he does not have a case.**

**HAGGERTY, Edward.**

**Judge. Presiding at trial of Shaw.**

~~**HALL, Loran Eugene.**~~

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~~**Ex-U.S. Army, soldier of fortune associated with Gerald Patrick Hemming Jr. in conducting para-military training for Cubans. Aka Lorenzo Hall, "Skip" Hall, and Lorenzo Pascillo.**~~

~~**HEMMING, Gerald Patrick Jr.**~~

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~~**Ex-marine, soldier of fortune, was leader of a group engaged in giving para-military training to Cubans.**~~

**HERNANDEZ, Frank.**

**Lawyer for Sergio Arcacha Smith.**



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**INTERIAN, Leovino.**

**Cuban. One of group from Miami given brief para-military training at Lacombe, La.; in 1963.**

**IVON, Louis.**

**Investigator for Garrison.**

~~JOHNSON, Clyde.~~

US

**Possible witness and weirdo. Claims he attended in 1963 two meetings held by Oswald, Ruby, Shaw, and an unidentified Cuban.**

**KIMBLE, Jules R.**

**Possible witness.**

**KLEIN, Burton.**

**Attorney for Alvin Beaubouef.**

**LABORDE, Lawrence J.**

**Possible witness.**



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ANUSA, Jose Antonio,

Cuba. Possible witness. Accused by James Alcock, assistant DA to Garrison, of knowing about Oswald's activities before the assassination.

LEE, Robert E.

Assistant DA on Garrison's staff.

LEEMANS, Fred.

Possible witness. Said Garrison and assistants tried to bribe him to give favorable testimony.

LEVE, David.

Possible witness. He and Jack S. Martin were once employed by private detective Guy Benister. Leve has claimed to know the names of five persons who plotted the assassination.

LEWALLEN or LLEVELYN, James L.

Possible witness. Former roommate of Ferris. Locked him Oswald, except for head.

LOHRL, Lynn.

Detective of New Orleans police detailed to Garrison's office.



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**McMAHES, Little Mae.**

Possible witness, although Garrison's efforts to extradite her have failed to date. Perry Russo claims that as Sandra Moffett she was a girl-friend whom he took to the party in Ferris's apartment at which the assassination plot was discussed.

**MANCINO, Madama.**

Probable witness. Ex-wife of Gordon Novel. Garrison has charged that Walter Shelden tried to hit her.

**MARTIN, Layton Patrick.**

Possible witness. Garrison has alleged that a laundry truck used in the theft at Houma was driven to Dallas and that "Martin Layton" was "the trigger man". Subpoenaed and appeared before grand jury 29 March 1967. Moved in with Ferris two weeks before the assassination.

**MARTIN, William R.**

Assistant DA to Garrison.

**MORTON, Donald F.**

Possible witness. Con man and neurotic who has claimed to have been a CIA employee and to have held clandestine meetings with Oswald, Ferris, and Shaw. Garrison had him flown to New Orleans from Canada and taped his story.

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NOVEL, Gordon Dwane.

Possible witness, although to date Garrison has not been able to extradite him from Ohio. Like Norton, Novel falsely claims affiliation with CIA.

ODIO, Sylvia (Mrs.)

Possible witness. Lives in Dallas, where, she claims, she was visited by two Cubans and Oswald.

ODOM, Lee.

Possible witness. Garrison claimed he found Odom's address in notebooks of both Oswald and Shaw. He further claimed that the address in Oswald's notebook had been encoded by a series of mathematical manipulations.

OSER, Alvin.

Assistant DA for Garrison.

PANEQUE Y BATISTA, Victor Manuel.

Cuban. According to Carlos Quiroga, was in charge of training at the camp at Lacombe, La.



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**PIEDRA** Negrucio, Orlando Elias.

Cuban. Possible witness. According to Quiroga is "Chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Cuban Society" in New Orleans. Batista follower.

**PLOTENI**, Stephen.

Attorney in New Orleans for Gordon Novel.

**QUAD**, James F. Jr.

New Orleans attorney



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**QUIROGA**, Carlos.

Cuban. Possible witness. Has been interrogated and polygraphed by Garrison. Member of FFD New Orleans.

**RABEL**, Louis.

Possible witness. Owner of a laundry truck which, according to Garrison, was used in the Houma robbery.

**RAULT**, Joseph.

Financial doctor of Garrison. With other New Orleans business men has established Truth and Consequences, a private organization supplying Garrison's office with facts.

**ROBERTSON**, Willard.

Also a member of Truth and Consequences.



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**ROGERS, Jack N.**

**New Orleans lawyer in touch with Garrison's staff.**

**RUSSO, Perry S.**

**Chief witness to date for Garrison. Has given testimony linking Shaw, Ferris, and Oswald in a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.**

**SANTANA Galindo, Emilio.**

**Possible witness or defendant. Was questioned by Garrison for five days in February 1967.**

**SCHAEFFER, Everett Gordon.**

**An attorney who allegedly took from Ferris a deposition that he knew Oswald. It is further alleged that Garrison started his investigation on the basis of this deposition.**


**SCHLUMBERGER Well Surveying Corp.**

**Novel alleged that this company owned the munitions and explosives stolen from the Heuma bunker.**

**SCHULINGKAMP, Oliver P.**

**Judge. Denied motions filed by attorney Milton Brenner on behalf of Layton Patrick Martens.**

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**SCIAMBRA, Andrew.**

**Chief investigator for Garrison.**

**SHAW, Clay L.**

**The accused. Garrison charges that he was involved in a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.**

**SHEA, Frank J.**

**Attorney. Gave legal advice to Dean Andrews.**

**SHERIDAN, Walter.**


**Possible witness. NBC investigator accused by Garrison of attempted bribery in connection with the case.**

**SHILSTONE, Cecil Maxwell.**

**Financial supporter of Garrison; member of Truth and Consequences.**

**SUGGS, Edward Stuart.**

**Possible witness. Alcoholic who has been in a psychiatric ward and was wanted in 1952 in Houston on a murder charge. Has made various allegations about the involvement of Ferris and others in the assassination. @ Jack S. Martin.**

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**TORRES** Silva, Miguel.

Cuban. Possible witness. Imprisoned burglar who told NBC that Garrison tried to bribe him.

**TURNER**, William W.

Possible witness. Ex-FBI agent and writer for Hampton who has specialized in attacking CIA and the FBI and in defending Garrison.

**VALDES**, Juan M.

Possible witness. Self-styled Latin American playwright. Was subpoenaed and questioned by Garrison.

**VOLZ**, John.

Assistant DA to Garrison.

**WEGMANN**, Edward.

Attorney for Clay Shaw.

**WEGMANN**, William.

As above. Brother of Edward Wegmann.

**WEBER**, Jerry.

Columbus, Ohio, attorney for Gordon Novel.

**ZELDEN**, Sam Monk.

New Orleans attorney for Novel.



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When the Secretary received the attached cable on November 13, I called Mr. Duke Merriam, Senator Kuchel's Legislative Assistant, to ascertain if he had any information regarding Mr. Amenhauser and why he might have sent a telegram to the Secretary. After checking his files, Mr. Merriam said Amenhauser had contacted Senator Kuchel's office several times previously, sometimes giving predictions of dire events. Mr. Merriam said he thought SY and the FBI should know about Mr. Amenhauser. Mr. Merriam sent me copies of the Senator's file on Mr. Amenhauser. Two copies of the file are attached.

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