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Anti-Castro Group Link Is Indicated

The district attorney's office today issued a subpoena for an international petroleum engineer and consultant wanted for questioning in the Kennedy death plot investigation.

Asst. Dist. Atty. James L. Alcock said the summons to appear at DA Jim Garrison's office was issued for William Dalzell who was described as a petroleum adviser to the Ethiopian government.

DALZELL WAS believed visiting the city when the subpoena was signed. It was directed to Dalzell at the Roosevelt Hotel.

Alcock said the summons ordered Dalzell to appear at the DA's office at 1 p. m. His hotel room was staked out by Garrison investigators, but the subpoena had not been served at 2 p. m. today.

A sheriff's deputy was sent to the law office of Steven Plotkin after the DA's office was told that Dalzell might be there.

Plotkin is the attorney for Gordon Novel, a 29-year-old former New Orleans bar owner who is a fugitive witness from Garrison's investigation.

Sources in the district attorney's office said Dalzell was an incorporator in early 1961 of a militant anti-Castro organization here, the Friends of Democratic Cuba.

The organization was later

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merged into other anti-Castro Cuban groups, informed sources said.

LISTED AS incorporators of the group along with Dalzell were the late Guy Banister, a former Federal Bureau of Investigation official and one-time assistant superintendent of New Orleans police; Grady C. Durham, a former New Orleans attorney, and William Klein, brother of an attorney representing one of the figures in the Garrison investigation.

Banister, who operated a private detective agency here until his death in June 1964, has been described as a key man in anti-Castro Cuban operations here during 1961, 1962 and 1963.

The DA's office would not say what line of questioning might be pursued with Dalzell.

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