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MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — State Atty. Richard E. Gerstein said Monday the facts developed by New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison in investigating the Kennedy assassination should cause a Congressional inquiry of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Gerstein, prosecutor for Dade County (Miami), lent the resources of his staff to Garrison in probing possible involvement of Cuban exile elements in Miami with an assassinational conspiracy.

In an interview on radio station WKAT, Gerstein said Garrison asked for the help prior to public disclosure of the investigation.

"He said he had concluded the Warren Commission report was inaccurate, perhaps intentionally," Gerstein said.

"I don't know if he's right or wrong," Gerstein said. "That will be proven in court and it is premature to say.

"But an inquiry should be made by Congress into activities of the CIA in connection with the assassination," Gerstein said.

Gerstein said Garrison told him before the probe was publicized by New Orleans newspapers that only Life Magazine "was privy to the facts."

Gerstein also said Garrison was mentioned in Louisiana as a possible candidate for the U.S. Senate "and from my conversations with him I know his ambitions lie in that direction."

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