

TV DOCUMENTARY CALLED 'BIG LIE'

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NEW YORK—New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison in a statement issued before the program called NBC-TV's documentary, "The JFK. Conspiracy: The Case of Jim Garrison," "the big lie."

The investigation into the Kennedy assassination was described on nationwide television Monday night as a case founded upon lies, threats, fear, suspicion, inducements and exploitation of the public.

THE NEW Orleans prosecutor declared: "All the screaming and hollering now being heard is evidence that we have caught a very large fish."

In his statement, Garrison said the report had been "presented with a great deal of pomposity in order to try and make it more digestible."

It is obvious that there are elements today in Washington, D.C., which are desperate because we are in the process of uncovering their hoax," he added.

AFTER THE program, Garrison said he would ask NBC for equal time to reply to the network's statements.

Garrison also charged that NBC reporter Walter Sheridan suggested to Perry Russo, a key D.A. witness, that if he wished to move to California before the trial, NBC would pay all of his expenses and protect him from extradition.

William R. McAndrew, president of NBC news, denied the charges Monday night saying, "Sheridan had no authority to do that. It had never been suggested."