

Three listed Serials attached to copy in Novel subject file

JFK assassination records appeals

Harold Weinberg 12/4/79

Files not searched

New Orleans records

Jim Garrison

Gordon Novel

Rebarrassing the Bureau is not an FOIA exemption

In 62-109950-4707, 4748 and 4749 the key name withheld, disclosed often elsewhere, is that of Gordon Novel. He was a FOI of the New Orleans office. He was as a youth a Nazi, is a criminal and at last report had been charged and convicted of serious crimes.

Ordinarily the identification of an informant is insure. In this case, as prior appeals establish, the FBI disclosed it. Without this it would have been fairly obvious. However, in this case the withholding furthers FBI detachment from a series of crimes of which it knew and did nothing because its own FOI was involved in them.

One of these was the hoist of a munitions bunker at Houma, La., on the property of an oil company. Another is in what was then stolen for use in CIA-type anti-Castro activity. U.S. Army materials, including grenades and bazookas, previously stolen, it would appear, were stolen here and transported to and stored in the heart of New Orleans. Countless people could have been killed or injured.

It appears that the FBI separated itself from Novel once he reported penetrating Garrison's office. However, relevant as such records are, no such records have been provided from New Orleans, Dallas or FBIHQ records.

Novel was notorious and un dependable. This provides motive for the withholding of the pertinent file number from the above-cited records, which are not attached. This also establishes the importance and relevance of the file number, including as a means of evaluating the dependability of the records and any political motives reflected. Also, the file number provides a lead for further searches and to other unsearched files.

Novel also was engaged in operations against Garrison from which the FBI wanted to detach itself, but he was engaged in them while he was a FOI. He was an early, misleading influence. (Not that Garrison suffered a lack of them or did not provide his own.)

Novel was involved in Neutrality Act violations, to the FBI's knowledge. But being anti-Castro and anti-Garrison appears to have been more important to the FBI.

The FBI used reporting on what it attributed to the unnamed Novel as a means of controlling and influencing what others, including in the Department, would and could know. This adds importance to the withheld ad, D&A, L&D and Criminal Division files.

FBI

Date: 2/21/67

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63 MISCELLANEOUS - INFO CONCERNING

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ReBulet to Miami dated 11/21/60, bufile 105-89923.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum.

Bureau's attention is directed to referenced Bureau letter entitled Clip. Inasmuch as referenced communication reveals that CIA had utilized the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD), communication submitted subsequent to referenced Clip letter was not disseminated except to CIA at Bureau level. Inasmuch as Sergio Arcacha Smith was head of FRD in New Orleans in 1961 there is a possibility that CIA could have had an operational interest in Sergio Arcacha Smith. Accordingly, the Bureau may desire to inquire of CIA through liaison at SOG level whether or not CIA has an operational interest in Sergio Arcacha Smith, David William Perrie and PCI [redacted]

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For information of the Bureau, PCI [redacted] New Orleans file [redacted] on 2/20/67 telephonically contacted case Agent. He at this time solicited information concerning the current investigation being conducted by the Orleans Parish District Attorney into the assassination of President KENNEDY. At this time he was advised by the case Agent that the FBI would make no comment, to this [redacted] replied that he had information of a magnitude which he felt compelled to furnish to the FBI at this time. Based upon this contact was made with PCI [redacted] and enclosed info gained

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Approved: C. C. Wick Special Agent in Charge

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ENCLOSURE

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana  
February 21, 1967

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63

A confidential source who has in the past furnished insufficient information to determine reliability advised that in September, 1961, he was, through an associate, Mr. Ed Butler, Executive Director of INCA (Information Council of the Americas), introduced to Sergio Arcacha Smith, the head of the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front. Source said Butler had requested he assist Smith in any way he could as Smith was working on plans to overthrow Fidel Castro in Cuba. Source stated in subsequent conversations with Smith the possibility was discussed of purchasing explosives, firearms, P-T boats and jet aircraft. Smith, source said, was especially interested in purchasing machine guns, anti-personnel mines, a ZIM Swiss Solohren Rifle and automatic M-2 .30 caliber carbines. Source said Smith was discussing the possibility of obtaining medical supplies such as blood plasma, drugs, etc.

Source said he and his partner discussed Smith's proposition and during the discussions recalled some prior information that they had gained concerning an explosive cache. Source said they had learned through drag racing circles, which they were in business with in 1961 that in Houma, Louisiana, there were large stores of explosives in some old magazines. Source stated he could not recall the name of the individuals telling him about the explosives but the magazines had been pointed out to him near the drag strip which was an airplane runway on an old base. He advised as he recalls the base was called the Houma Air Base and his original information indicated the magazines contained oil company explosives.

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Subsequently, source said he had a number of visits with Sergio Arcacha Smith and had ultimately told Smith he could get the explosives for him for a \$25,000 fee. Source said he had also related to Smith it was his understanding plugged automatic weapons could be purchased from a firm in the North and new barrels for these weapons could be purchased from a West Coast firm. Source said he told Smith he had also determined the possibility existed that he could purchase surplus Canadian Vampire Jets at the cost of \$2,000 each.

Source said Sergio Arcacha Smith displayed numerous photographs and documents relating to the atrocities being committed by the Castro regime in Havana, Cuba and the Isle of Pines. He said Mr. Butler during this time restated his interest in assisting Smith's movement. He advised that it became apparent the plans of this group were becoming more and more complicated. He advised that ultimately he and his partners were taken to the residence of David Ferric where they were introduced by Smith to Ferric, two young Cubans and two young ex-marines. He said upon arriving at the house he was taken directly to the attic where there were maps of Cuba displayed on the walls, instructive material lying around and a number of different types of firearms sitting in a rack. He stated in the basement of this same house there were two roughly assembled two-man submarines.

Source advised Ferric was referred to as Captain David Ferric and the two ex-marines who were sitting in the attic upon their arrival behaved in an extremely unusual manner, in that they seemed to be very "blood thirsty" and sullen and one drew quite a bit of attention because he kept coughing and snapping an M-1 Grand Rifle. He said at this same initial meeting he was told Ferric was an airline pilot.

Source and his partner discussed the complicated situation in which this matter had developed and between themselves decided to furnish the information to the organization and step out of the picture accepting no profit from their activities.

Source said he told Smith the whole matter and plan was far too complicated so he would direct him, Smith and his associates to a place where they could obtain explosives but he would not participate in obtaining them.

Source advised his ex-wife, his partner, Smith, Ferrie, two Cubans, two ex-marines and an individual whose name is unknown, who had custody of a linen delivery truck traveled to the Houma Air Base, Houma, Louisiana. He said they utilized his 1956 Lincoln Supreme, one other automobile, a panel truck and a Metro type step van. He related when they arrived in the magazines on the air base, Smith posted a look out on top of the bunker and they opened the door to the magazine which appeared to be the best maintained of the three available magazines. He said they loaded the truck, the panel truck and both cars with explosives and headed back to New Orleans. He advised the magazine which was entered bore a sign depicting the contents belonged to an unrecalled oil company.

Source advised that on the return trip they tested some of the hand grenades which had been taken in a swampy area along the road, and he at this time noticed all the explosives bore manufacturing dates of 1959 or later. Source advised Smith and his compatriots had obtained from the magazine hand grenades, time bombs, explosives, thousands of rounds of .30 caliber ammunition, tracer ammunition, bazooka projectiles and rifle grenades. He said all of this ammunition bore the U. S. Army Ordnance emblem.

Source stated Smith and the others excitedly discussed plans to blow up ships in Havana Harbor, sabotage key installations and blow up the pipe line to Guantanamo Bay. He said Ferrie was to be a pilot for the organization and they had mentioned it would be approximately two weeks before the explosives would arrive in Cuba. He said he recalled about two or three weeks later news of random bombings became news from Cuba.

Source said he saw Sergio Smith on two or three occasions after the break in of the explosives magazine, the last time in 1962 and he has seen Ferrie in passing a few times since 1961. He said he recalls sometime in the

past Ferrie being charged with what he recalls as indecent acts by Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office.

Source reiterated his involvement was stimulated by his belief and his feeling that the Cuban cause was just. He advised he received absolutely no moneys from anyone associated with the movement and no one has contacted him about the matter since the explosives were obtained.

Source described the only one of the ex-marines he could remember as name Jerry or Andy (last name unrecalled), white male, 18 - 23 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 135 pounds, dark, curly hair, light complexion, "nice looking", dressed marine green fatigues with white T-shirt, tattoos on both arms.

Source said he was sure that neither of the ex-marines he met was Lee Harvey Oswald.

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*W. J. ...*

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Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau dated 2/21/67.

PCI [redacted] New Orleans [redacted] telephonically contacted this office at approximately 9:00 PM, 2/21/67, advising he had additional information concerning the investigation being conducted by the Orleans Parish District Attorney into the death of President KENNEDY, which he felt was of enough importance to warrant immediate contact by an Agent. [redacted] was again informed that the FBI would make no comment concerning the investigation into the assassination of President KENNEDY being conducted by District Attorney GARRISON, however, [redacted] insisted that he desired to furnish this information to the FBI and furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that he had been contacted during the late afternoon on [redacted] by WILLARD ROBERTSON, a New Orleans businessman whom ROVEL described as being the money behind District Attorney GARRISON. According to [redacted] ROBERTSON told him it was imperative they meet immediately and arrangements were made to meet in ROBERTSON's office in the 225 Baronne Building. Upon meeting ROBERTSON, [redacted]

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was advised by ROBERTSON that District Attorney GARRISON wanted to meet him and ROBERTSON called GARRISON, arranging this meeting. [redacted] ROBERTSON proceeded to the eleventh floor of the 125 Baronne Building to the facilities of an insurance firm and there awaited the arrival of GARRISON who finally appeared at approximately 5:30 PM New Orleans, La.

[redacted] said GARRISON opened the conversation with inquiries concerning possible places where he (GARRISON) and his staff could hold conferences. According to [redacted] GARRISON stated that he feels the FBI is carefully scrutinizing every move he makes and even possibly has sources within his own ranks. [redacted] said GARRISON discussed several methods he felt he would utilize in the future in order to keep his investigation into the assassination of President KENNEDY a secret. GARRISON advised [redacted] that the purpose of his contact was that he knew of [redacted] ability to obtain information and further that [redacted] as very knowledgeable as to happenings in the New Orleans area.

[redacted] related that GARRISON inquired [redacted] as to whether [redacted] had been interviewed by the FBI and that [redacted] had informed GARRISON that [redacted] had contacted the FBI. GARRISON then inquired as to whether his name had come up during the contact with the FBI, to which [redacted] replied in the negative. GARRISON then began to question [redacted] about people or names [redacted] might know and specifically inquired about DAVID LOUIS, "ROLLAND", DAVID FERRIE and MARTIN LAYTON (possibly identical with LAYTON P. MARTENS), associate of FERRIE. [redacted] told GARRISON he knew only DAVID FERRIE of those mentioned. GARRISON then asked [redacted] knew anyone with the Riley Coffee Company and [redacted] told GARRISON [redacted] knew an individual named TEX [redacted] person with whom [redacted] had worked in the past. GARRISON [redacted] if he had any knowledge of where SERGIO ARCACIA SMITH obtained his financial support while in New Orleans, to which [redacted] replied that he did not know with the exception of supporting contributions that SMITH obtained from various individuals.



GARRISON asked [redacted] whether SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH or FERRIE owned a laundry truck. [redacted] said [redacted] told GARRISON that [redacted] had observed a step van laundry truck, dark in color, on one occasion parked in front of the Bellier Building where SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH had his office. [redacted] said GARRISON then commented "there is a laundry truck mentioned in the files of the FBI in Dallas".

[redacted] stated GARRISON also asked [redacted] was acquainted with a girl by the name of SANDRA LARSON. [redacted] advised that [redacted] told GARRISON [redacted] knew a SANDRA LARSON, who was a "sharp one" who sometimes dated JOE SORGE (phonetic) [redacted] associates in the Jamaican Village Lounge on North Rampart Street. [redacted] told GARRISON [redacted] personally heard SANDRA LARSON say she was intimately acquainted with President KENNEDY. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that District Attorney GARRISON had stated or at least implied that [redacted] told DAVID FERRIE and his "nutty" associates were involved in a conspiracy in the assassination of President KENNEDY. [redacted] reiterated that GARRISON repeatedly emphasized the name "MORAND" as being a possible clue in the conspiracy. [redacted] stated that it is GARRISON's contention that the conspirators were anti-CASTRO who hoped through the assassination of President KENNEDY to be able to, through national publicity, place the blame for the assassination on FIDEL CASTRO, which would result in influencing public opinion to the point where national retribution would be directed against CASTRO.

[redacted] advised GARRISON expressed concern about contamination of his investigation by other investigative agencies, namely, the FBI. [redacted] noted GARRISON as saying that he would arrest and handcuff any Agent he caught becoming involved in his investigation and would submit him to public scrutiny. [redacted] told GARRISON stated if they want my files that had they can buy them. [redacted] stated that [redacted] furnish GARRISON information concerning involvement with SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH at the blind base at Houma, La., which [redacted] had previously furnished to the FBI, however, since GARRISON plans to interview [redacted]

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he felt he would tell GARRISON the whole story prior to the interview with [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] felt that [REDACTED] would probably tell GARRISON about it and, secondly, because [REDACTED] felt that by telling GARRISON [REDACTED] would gain his confidence and would be in better graces with GARRISON. [REDACTED] advised that since [REDACTED] planned to tell GARRISON everything concerning [REDACTED] involvement with SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH, [REDACTED] desired to mention something [REDACTED] had not previously furnished to the FBI concerning the ammunition bunker on the Houma Air Base. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] approximately two weeks before taking ARCACHA SMITH and his party to the bunker had cased the bunker and knew pretty well what SMITH would find.

[REDACTED] telephonically contacted the New Orleans Office on the late afternoon of 2/22/67 and advised that [REDACTED] met with District Attorney GARRISON on that date and had furnished GARRISON the information that he had previously furnished to the FBI. [REDACTED] said GARRISON questioned them concerning any knowledge that they possessed of any relationship between CLAY SHAW and DAVID FERRIE. [REDACTED] said that GARRISON implied that SHAW was identical with a CLAY BERTRAND who had contacted Attorney DEAN ANDREWS to represent LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

[REDACTED] further informed that GARRISON and his associates felt the FBI was monitoring their switchboard and that it appears that if things go badly with GARRISON's investigation they may be looking for a "scape goat", possibly the FBI.

GARRISON, according to [REDACTED] inquired as to the meaning of the words "Daquiri" and "Mart". GARRISON also asked any knowledge [REDACTED] had concerning anti-CASTRO assassination camps in the Slidell and Covington, La. area.

[REDACTED] noted GARRISON as saying that he was six months ahead of the FBI in his investigation and indicated that he planned to arrest FERRIE in five days as the leader

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in the plot to assassinate President KENNEDY. GARRISON also questioned [REDACTED] concerning quick ways of making FERRIE confess and mentioned the use of sodium penthal. According to [REDACTED] GARRISON is obsessed with the theory that a laundry or milk truck is in some way involved in the assassination.

Because of [REDACTED] contact with GARRISON and because contacts with [REDACTED] by this office have been too limited to determine his reliability, no further contacts will be made with him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : MR. W. C. SULLIVAN

FROM : MR. J. A. BRANIGAN *W.C.S.*

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

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
- 1 - Mr. Nichols
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Tavel
- 1 - Mr. Trotter
- 1 - Mr. Tele. Room
- 1 - Mr. Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Gandy

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DATE: 2-24-67

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Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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*W.C.S.*  
*Rosen*

By teletype 2-23-67 the New Orleans office reported information from [redacted] who is part owner of an [redacted] in New Orleans and is also part owner of [redacted] is under consideration for development as a potential Criminal Informant of the New Orleans Office. There has been insufficient contact with [redacted] to evaluate or determine his reliability.

On [redacted] reported that he had been contacted by Willard Robertson, a Volkswagen distributor in New Orleans, who is a multimillionaire and close friend and social hater of Garrison. Thereafter, according to [redacted] with Robertson and Garrison in a conference.

According to [redacted] Garrison feels the FBI is scrutinizing his every move and possibly has sources within his own ranks. [redacted] stated Garrison felt David Ferris and his "nutty" associates were involved in a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy. [redacted] added Garrison expressed concern about continuation of his investigation by other investigative agencies, namely, the FBI. [redacted] quoted Garrison as saying he would arrest and handcuff any agent he caught becoming involved in his investigation and would submit him to public scrutiny. [redacted] said that Garrison stated "If they want my files that badly, they can buy them."

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On [redacted] contacted this Bureau and reported [redacted] had met with Garrison that day at which time Garrison stated [redacted] feels the FBI is monitoring his switchboard. [redacted] informed this Bureau that [redacted] has the impression that if things go badly with Garrison's investigation, he might be looking for a "scapegoat," possibly the FBI.

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HIS ANSWER TO MR. CULLIVAN

RE: ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

Garrison's allegations that FBI is monitoring his switchboard are completely false.

By teletype 2-24-57 New Orleans advised Garrison told press under no circumstances will he turn over evidence he has gathered to other agencies, particularly agencies of the Federal Government which he claims have withheld and continue to withhold material which should have been turned over to law enforcement agencies having proper legal jurisdiction. Garrison also quoted in paper as saying "The Federal Government has as much jurisdiction over a murder conspiracy in New Orleans as has the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

ACTION:

Attached is a letter to the Acting Attorney General, with copies to the Deputy Attorney General, Assistant Attorney General Fred M. Vinson, Jr., and Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley, setting forth data above.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach; 1 - Mr. JP Mohr; 1 - Mr. Wick; 1 - Mr. Rosen;  
1 - Mr. Sullivan; 1 - Mr. Malley; 1 - Mr. Branigan; 1 - Mr. Lenthan

The Acting Attorney General

February 24, 1967

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Director, FBI

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

Reference is made to previous communications of this Bureau setting forth information we have received concerning the investigation being conducted by New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison in connection with the assassination of the late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

On February 21, 1967, a source with whom we have had insufficient contact to evaluate reliability, advised that [redacted] on the late afternoon of February 21, 1967, by Willard Robertson, whom [redacted] described as a Volkswagen distributor in New Orleans. [redacted] added that Robertson is a multimillionaire and is a close social friend and financial backer of Garrison. According to our source, Robertson told [redacted] it was imperative that they meet in order that Robertson could introduce our source to Garrison. Our source stated [redacted] Robertson and Garrison at approximately 5:30 p.m. on February 21, 1967.

According to our source, Garrison opened the conversation with inquiry concerning possible places where he, Garrison, and his staff could hold conferences. Garrison told our source that he felt the FBI is carefully scrutinizing every move he makes and even possibly has sources within his own ranks. Garrison also told our source that he felt that David Ferrie and his "nutty" associates were involved in a conspiracy to assassinate the late President Kennedy. According to our source, it was Garrison's contention that the conspirators were anti-Castro and hoped through the

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SEE MR. BRANIGAN - SULLIVAN 2-24-67, REL:HRT.  
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The Acting Attorney General

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Our source further advised that Garrison expressed concern about contamination of his investigation by other investigative agencies, namely, the FBI. Our source quoted Garrison as saying that he would arrest and handcuff any Agent he caught becoming involved in his investigation and would submit him to public scrutiny. According to our source, Garrison stated, "If they want my files that bad, they can buy them."

On February 22, 1967, this same source contacted this Bureau and advised that [REDACTED] Garrison on that date.

Our source stated that Garrison and his associates feel the FBI is monitoring Garrison's switchboard. Our source stated that [REDACTED] the impression that if things go badly with Garrison's investigation, he might be looking for a "scapegoat," possibly the FBI.

For your added information, our New Orleans Office advised that the New Orleans "Times-Picayune" for February 24, 1967, carries an article which quotes Garrison as follows: "Just in case I have not made myself clear let me say that under no circumstances will I turn over any evidence we have gathered to any other agency, and that most specifically applies to agencies of the Federal Government which have withheld, and continue to withhold, material which should have been turned over to law enforcement agencies having proper legal jurisdiction." The article also quotes Garrison as stating, "The Federal Government has as much jurisdiction over a murder conspiracy in New Orleans as has the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

**The Acting Attorney General**

Additional pertinent information concerning this matter that comes to our attention will be immediately furnished to you.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General