

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

DATE: 2/22/67

FROM : SA ROBERT T. MITCHELL

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
INFO CONCERNING

On this date, GORDON NEWELL telephonically contacted the NOLA office and advised as follows:

NEWELL and ELLINGTON met with District Attorney GARRISON on this date and told him the same story as they had previously. GARRISON questioned them further concerning CLAY SHAW and his relationship with DAVID FERRIE. It was implied that SHAW was identical with a CLAY BERTRAM. FERRIE is supposedly the individual who steered an Atty. SHAW to represent LEE HARVEY OSWALD on charges in NOLA.

GARRISON and his associates implied that they thought the FBI was monitoring their switchboard, and it appears that if things go badly in this investigation that they maybe looking for a scapegoat, possibly the FBI.

GARRISON questioned NEWELL regarding the meanings of the words "Daquiri" and "Parti". He also asked if NEWELL had any knowledge concerning anti-Castro assassination camps in Slidell and Covington, La.

On the evening of 2/21/67, GARRISON stated that he was six months ahead of the FBI in his investigation and indicated that he was ready to arrest FERRIE in five days as a leader in the plot to assassinate JFK. GARRISON also questioned NEWELL re quick ways of making FERRIE confess, and mentioned the use of sodium penethol.

It was learned that GARRISON has been attempting to get a hold of J. EDGAR HOOVER in WDC all day. Reason unknown.

GARRISON is obsessed with the theory that a laundry truck or milk truck has something to do with the assassination plot.



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