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**INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY
BY NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY JAMES C. GARRISON**

New Orleans District Attorney Garrison has made one arrest in his investigation, that of Clay L. Shaw on 3/1/67. Shaw is charged with conspiring to assassinate President Kennedy. Main witness against Shaw is Perry Russo, who testified on 3/14/67 that he was present at a meeting when Shaw, Lee Harvey Oswald (introduced to Russo as Leon Oswald), and David Ferris (the homosexual who died 2/22/67) plotted the assassination. Russo appears to be lying. Garrison's staff used hypnosis and drugs on him to get him to tell his story. We have received information indicating the story he tells was placed in his mind by Garrison's men while he was hypnotized and drugged.

During our investigation of the assassination, Shaw's name never came up. We developed no information indicating Oswald knew Shaw or Russo. We thoroughly investigated the allegation that Ferris and Oswald were acquainted but found no evidence to support this.

Garrison's charges against Shaw include the allegation that he is Clay Bertrand. This name was introduced into our investigation of the assassination by Dean Andrews, a New Orleans attorney, as a person who accompanied Oswald to Andrews' office in 1963 and who telephoned Andrews on 11/23/63, asking him to represent Oswald. We conducted exhaustive investigation to locate Bertrand but no information other than that originating with Andrews was developed that Bertrand existed. Andrews now says Bertrand is Gene Davis, [redacted] but there is no information to corroborate this. Davis flatly states he never used this name. Garrison has indicted Andrews for perjury, apparently as a result of the information concerning Bertrand. Assistant Attorney General Vinson requested us to interview Andrews, but we have referred this to the Attorney General. (b)(7)(c)

Garrison's investigation received severe public criticism during June, particularly from the two major TV networks, CBS and NBC. NBC's 6/19/67 program exposed the fraudulent nature of Garrison's case. CBS reviewed Garrison's case on 6/27/67 and William Gurvich, who had just resigned as Garrison's chief investigator, appeared on the program and stated Shaw should never have been arrested and evidence as to Garrison's methods should be presented to a Grand Jury. When questioned as to why Garrison used these methods, Gurvich said he did not know, adding: "I am not a psychiatrist."

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We have carefully stayed out of Garrison's investigation to avoid his public charges of interference. The wisdom of this policy is increasingly evident. (b)(6)

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