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GARRISON-KENNEDY PRECEDE NEW ORLEANS A51-52--200

WASHINGTON, FEB. 21 (AP)-SEN. RUSSELL B. LONG, D-LA., SAID TODAY HE IS CONVINCED DISTRICT ATTY. JIM GARRISON OF NEW ORLEANS HAS "SOME INFORMATION THE WARREN COMMISSION DIDN'T HAVE" ABOUT A POSSIBLE CONSPIRACY TO ASSASSINATE JOHN F. KENNEDY.

LONG, THE ASSISTANT DEMOCRATIC LEADER IN THE SENATE, TOLD AN INFORMAL NEWS CONFERENCE HE HAD DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF A VONSPIRACY WITH GARRISON AT LENGTH ON A PLANE TRIP LAST OCTOBER.

THE LOUISIANA SENATOR HAS EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT THE REPORT OF THE FEDERAL COMMISSION HEADED BY CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN INTO THE LATE PRESIDENT'S DEATH "WAS NOT CONCLUSIVE IN SOME RESPECTS."

GARRISON HAS BEEN CARRYING ON AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION AND HAS SAID HE EXPECTS ARRESTS, WITHIN MONTHS, OF POSSIBLE CONSPIRATORS.

"I AM CONVINCED HE HAS SOME INFORMATION THE WARREN COMMISSION DIDN'T HAVE," LONG SAID. "HE ASKED ME NOT TO TELL THE FBI WHAT HE WAS DOING AND I DIDN'T."

LONG SAID THAT GARRISON HAD HAD UNDER ARREST ONE SUSPECTED CONSPIRATOR AT THE TIME THE WARREN COMMISSION MADE ITS REPORT, BUT RELEASED HIM BECAUSE THE COMMISSION ~~FOUND THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD ACTED ALONE IN THE ASSASSINATION.~~

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WASHN--IN GARRISON-KENNEDY A3WX, SIXTH GRAF BEGINNING "LONG SAID" READ AT END "X X X COMMISSION REPORTED IT FOUND NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE THAT ANYONE ACTED WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALD IN THE ASSASSINATION." (IN PLACE OF "FOUND THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD ACTED ALONE.")

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GARRISON'S INVESTIGATION, LONG SAID, IS CENTERING AROUND OSWALD'S FORMER ASSOCIATES IN NEW ORLEANS.

THE SENATOR SAID GARRISON WAS KEEPING HIM INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS "ONLY IN A GENERAL WAY."

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