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MEMORANDUM NO. 2

SUBJECT : GARRISON and the Kennedy Assassination

REFERENCE : CI/R&A Memorandum of 26 April 1967, subject as above

1. An effort has been made to identify all CIA employees in New Orleans, so that we shall have a ready checklist if District Attorney GARRISON makes statements about any of them to the press, attempts to bring charges against them or to subpoena them, or take other action disadvantageous to CIA. This list, because of its sensitivity, is included as Enclosure 28 with only those copies of this memorandum which are addressed to the ADDP and the Legal Counsel.

2. The remaining enclosures to this memorandum constitute an alphabetical listing of key figures in the case to date. One person, an Izvestia correspondent who appears as Enclosure 4 to reference, has been dropped as peripheral. Enclosures 5, 10, 21, 23 and 24 to this memorandum are additions to the earlier list. Negative trace entries ("RI - no record") are repeated from reference as appropriate. Of the 26 persons and one firm listed in the current enclosures, tracing has been completed on 19. It is expected that results on the remaining 7 will be available shortly.

3. Information from WH/Cuban Operations Branch, prepared in response to reference, will be available soon and will be included in the next report. The New Orleans office of the Domestic Contact Service is clipping and forwarding pertinent items from the local press.

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Enclosure 1

SUBJECT : Dean Adams ANDREWS, Jr.

1. RI - no record.

2. Additional information follows:

a. The New Orleans States-Item of 3 March 1967 reported that ANDREWS had said that he did not know whether Clay SHAW and Clay BERTRAND were the same person.

b. An article in the New Orleans Times Picayune of 19 April 1967 concerns a $100,000 suit brought by Dean Adams ANDREWS, Jr., against GARRISON, who had previously indicted ANDREWS for perjury. ANDREWS claims that he has told GARRISON "that there was no connection between Clay SHAW and Clay BERTRAND".

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Enclosure 2

SUBJECT : Sergio ARCACHA Smith

1. RI - no record.

2. No additional information.

Enclosure 3

SUBJECT : Guy BANISTER

1. RI: CSCI-3764414, 30 March 1961, reported Subject as a former FBI member, owner of a detective agency in New Orleans, and a member of Friends of Democratic Cuba, Inc.

2. No new information. Subject is dead.

Enclosure 4

SUBJECT : Leslie Norman BRADLEY (201-727878)

1. RI: An examination of BRADLEY's 201 file shows him to be a soldier of fortune and free-lance pilot who was arrested by the Cuban G-2 in Havana on 24 May 1960. Held on the Isle of Pines, BRADLEY collaborated with his captors in all respects. He lured the Nicaraguan leader, Chester LACAYO, to Cuba so that he could be arrested. BRADLEY is an unscrupulous adventurer who will do anything for money. After his release and return to the U.S. he approached the families of several men still on the Isle of Pines with requests for funds allegedly to be used to liberate the prisoners. He was briefly considered for employment as a co-pilot in Project ZRCLIFF and filled out a personal information form, but the offer of employment was cancelled.

2. No further information from other sources.

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Enclosure 5

SUBJECT : Edward S. BUTLER

1. See Paragraph 7.a. of reference.

2. RI traces in progress.

3. No additional information to date.

Enclosure 6

SUBJECT : Carlos Jose BRINGUIER

1. RI: DBA-55777, 25 October 1963, lists BRINGUIER, from 1934, as a businessman, Cuban, living in New Orleans at 501 Adele Street, Apartment F, and as director of the Cuban Student Directorate for the New Orleans area.

2. No additional information to date.

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Enclosure 7

SUBJECT : Vernon BUNDY

1. RI - no record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 8

SUBJECT : Julio or Julien BUZNEDO

1. RI - no record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 9

SUBJECT : David William FERRIE

1. RI - no identifiable traces.

2. No additional substantive information. Subject is dead.

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Enclosure 10

SUBJECT : Alberto FOWLER

1. See Paragraph 7.b. of reference.

2. RI traces in progress.

3. No further information.

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Enclosure 11

SUBJECT : Manuel GARCIA Gonzalez

1. RI - no traces.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 12

SUBJECT : James GARRISON

1. RI: Tracing continuing.

2. The following additional information has been obtained since reference:

a. The New Orleans States-Item of 3 March 1967 stated that New York radio station WINS said that it had learned from reliable sources that GARRISON believes that President Kennedy was assassinated by "a group of plotters directed from Cuba." WINS reporter Doug Edelson said that the source has access to GARRISON's files and that, according to the files, "after an abortive CIA invasion of Cuba, Castro put out an execution order on the President."

b. A memorandum of 1 May 1967 by Mr. Richard H. Lansdale, Associate General Counsel, advises that GARRISON "intends to demand that CIA furnish him with the photograph of Oswald entering or exiting the Mexico City Embassy."

c. James Phelan is the author of the lead article in the Saturday Evening Post of 6 May 1967, headed "A Plot to Kill Kennedy? Rush to Judgment in New Orleans". The following key points chiefly concern GARRISON:

(1) Phelan knew GARRISON in 1963, when he spent ten days with him, obtaining material for a laudatory piece called, "The Vice Man Cometh".

(2) GARRISON and Phelan met in Las Vegas on 5 and 6 March 1967, and Phelan conducted ten hours of interviews. GARRISON gave Phelan a memorandum of an interview conducted with Perry RUSSO by Andrew J. SCIAMBRA, "a 31-year-old assistant D.A. just a year out of law school" who interviewed RUSSO for three hours and took copious notes. GARRISON also gave Phelan a transcript of what RUSSO said four days later, on 1 March 1967, while under hypnosis. The SCIAMBRA report

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made no mention of a plot among OSWALD, FERRIE, and SHAW to kill anyone. The 3,500-word report also made no reference to a party at FERRIE's apartment. It did not contain a positive identification of Lee Harvey OSWALD as "Leon" OSWALD. Shown a picture of Clay SHAW, RUSSO had not identified him as "BERTRAND". The SCIAMBRA report specified that RUSSO had seen SHAW only twice. It did not say that SHAW knew OSWALD.

(3) On 27 February 1967, according to a second SCIAMBRA report, RUSSO was given sodium pentothal and then "did make passing reference to the party at which the plot was discussed", but did so only after prompting by SCIAMBRA, who wrote, "I then asked him if he could remember any of the details about Clay Bertrand being up in FERRIE's apartment."

(4) Two days later Dr. Esmond FATTER placed RUSSO under hypnosis (he did so three times in all). When RUSSO made no mention of a party or plot, FATTER directed him to see "a picture of FERRIE's apartment and there are several people in there and there is a white-haired man. Tell me about it." RUSSO complied but made no mention of SHAW, "BERTRAND", or a plot. FATTER then ordered him to see this picture: "There will be Bertrand, Ferrie and Oswald and they are going to discuss a very important matter and there is another man and girl there and they are talking about assassinating somebody. Look at it and describe it to me." RUSSO then told the story that he subsequently gave in testimony.

(5) Phelan advised GARRISON of the profound differences between the first SCIAMBRA report and the eventual RUSSO testimony. GARRISON permitted Phelan to question SCIAMBRA directly, in GARRISON's presence. SCIAMBRA said that he must have forgotten to include the party and its participants. When Phelan suggested consulting his original notes, SCIAMBRA said that he had burned them. Phelan asked Dr. FATTER where he got the information used in questioning RUSSO under hypnosis, and FATTER said it came from GARRISON's office.

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Enclosure 13

SUBJECT : Pascual GONGORA

1. RI - No record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 14

SUBJECT : Nerin Emrullah GUN (201-097525)

1. RI: The 201, listed above, will be studied. GUN, born 22 February 1920 in Rome, is a suspected CP member who has been involved in Europe in espionage and falsification of documents.

2. No other additional information since reference.

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Enclosure 15

SUBJECT : William GURVICH

1. RI - No record.

2. No additional information.

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Enclosure 16

SUBJECT : S. M. KAUFFROTH

1. RI - No record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 17

SUBJECT : David F. LEWIS

1. RI - No record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 18

SUBJECT : Layton Patrick MARTENS

1. RI - No record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 19

SUBJECT : Mrs. Lillie McMAINES
(i/w Sandra MOFFETT, enclosure No. 18 of reference)

1. RI - No record of Sandra MOFFETT. Traces are being run on Mrs. Lillie McMAINES.

2. The New York Times of 27 April 1967 stated, "A fugitive from justice complaint -- filed against Mrs. Lillie McMaines -- was dismissed in Municipal Court Tuesday after she refused to leave Iowa to appear in court."

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Enclosure 20

SUBJECT : Gordon Duane NOVEL

1. RI - No record.

2. The following additional information has been obtained since the date of reference:

a. The New Orleans Times Picayune of 19 April 1967 states that Gordon Duane NOVEL (see Enclosure 19 of reference), then living in Columbus, Ohio, was the subject of extradition charges signed 17 April 1967 by Acting Governor C. C. Aycock. The charges concern conspiracy to burglarize the munitions bunker at Houma, Louisiana, in 1961. On 18 April 1967 NOVEL stated in an article copyrighted by the Dallas Daily News that GARRISON is conducting his probe to further his political career. "The whole GARRISON investigation thing is fiction," NOVEL added. "I know the full story from working as the prosecutor's security chief." GARRISON, however, has said that NOVEL never worked for him. NOVEL added, "I think GARRISON will expose some CIA operations in Louisiana."

b. The New Orleans States-Item of 25 April 1967 states that NOVEL "has told a number of friends and intimates he was a CIA operative and will use this role to battle GARRISON's charges . . . if he is returned to New Orleans to face accusations that he burglarized an oil service company's munitions bunker in nearby Terrebonne Parish." Steven PLOTKIN, attorney for NOVEL, refused to confirm or deny his client's statements. Sergio ARCACHA Smith (see Enclosure 2 of reference) is also accused by GARRISON of helping to plan the theft of the munitions. The article adds, "To friends and associates, NOVEL has said that the munitions burglary was no burglary at all -- but a war materials pickup made at the direction of his CIA contact." He has described the Houma bunker as a CIA cache for munitions destined for use in the April 1961 invasion at the Bay of Pigs. NOVEL has claimed that he worked for CIA in New Orleans before April 1961. "Part of his job, he contends, was to operate the Evergreen Advertising Agency as a front for CIA communications. With funds funneled to him by the CIA, NOVEL

says he prepared special radio commercials used on 300 stations in the U.S. and Canada. Their cryptographic messages, he claims, were to alert agents to the invasion date. The commercials advertised aluminum Christmas trees, he says, and the key alert code names were 'Star Christmas Trees' and 'Holiday Trees'. In late 1960, $72,000 worth of radio time was placed by the agency. On the day the munitions were to be picked up, he says, he was called by his CIA contact and told to join a group which was ordered to transport munitions from the bunker to New Orleans. . . . He says he made the trip in his own automobile, a Lincoln, and met several people there -- all of them allegedly acting for the CIA. He identifies them as FERRIE, ARCACHA, several Cubans, and another figure in the case. They loaded the boxes of ordnance on trucks, he continues, and returned to New Orleans where the explosives were dropped in three spots -- FERRIE's home, NOVEL's office building, and the office of . . . former FBI agent . . . Guy BANISTER (see Enclosure 3 of reference). NOVEL claims the munitions were eventually taken by boat to Cuba for a diversionary Bay of Pigs operation. GARRISON, however, says the burglary occurred three months after the Bay of Pigs. He adds that the Houma bunker was leased by the Schlumberger Well Services Co. of Houston, Texas. "Schlumberger officials say they know nothing of any CIA operations in connection with their magazine, where oil field service equipment and certain low-yield explosives are stored."

c. An AP wire dispatch of 26 April 1967 from New Orleans adds, "In Columbus, NOVEL said today that 'the statements that I worked for the CIA are absolutely incorrect. . . The events of 1961, the Bay of Pigs invasion, are none of anybody's business, including Mr. GARRISON's.'"

3. RI has no record of the Evergreen Advertising Agency. There is, however, a record of "Evergreen Enterprise," listed as "cover for illegal activities". The pertinent document will be obtained and studied.

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Enclosure 21

SUBJECT : Carlos QUIROGA

1. See para. 7c of reference.

2. RI - traces in progress.

3. No further information.

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Enclosure 22

SUBJECT : Perry RUSSO

1. RI - no record.

2. Additional information appears in Enclosure 12, above.

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Enclosure 23

SUBJECT : Emilio SANTANA

1. See para. 7c of reference.

2. RI - traces are in progress.

3. No further information.

Enclosure 24

SUBJECT : The SCHLUMBERGER Well Surveying Corporation

1. There are extensive CIA traces on this company and on various persons connected with it, but none of this information is pertinent to the GARRISON investigation.

2. A report of 20 April 1967 from the New Orleans office of the FBI states that a confidential source who is a representative of a well-known news media said on 20 April that Gordon NOVEL has reportedly stated that he was employed by CIA and that the Houma burglary was not an actual burglary. He contended that CIA had an arrangement with the SCHLUMBERGER Co. (see below) to keep ammunition, bomb casings, and other material in the bunker, leased by SCHLUMBERGER. He said that he and Sergio ARCACHA Smith were still employed by CIA. "The source advised that according to information developed to date Schlumberger became upset over the Bay of Pigs invasion and wanted to get out of their contract with the CIA. Arrangements were made about three months after the...invasion for the...material...to be taken out by Novel and his group."

3. The Domestic Contact Service (DCS) informed CI/R&A on 27 April 1967 that the New Orleans office of the SCHLUMBERGER Well Surveying Corporation is a branch of the main office in Houston, Texas. The company, however, is French-owned. The DCS office in New Orleans was in touch with Charles A. DOH, district manager of the New Orleans SCHLUMBERGER office, in order to interview him about a business trip to Rome in June 1955. There has been no subsequent contact. However, the DCS has been and still is in touch with

SCHLUMBERGER and Co. in Houston and subsidiary offices elsewhere. The most recent of such contacts occurred on 22 March 1967 in Minneapolis. All contact must be approved by the main SCHLUMBERGER office. Because of French control, DCS dealings with the firm have been circumspect.

4. The Office of Security also advised on 27 April 1967 that questioning of four employees of the Office of Logistics has shown that the only arms bunker in the New Orleans area used by CIA was the Belle Chasse Ammunition Depot, a deactivated Navy installation eight miles from New Orleans. There is no present reason to believe that the Agency has been associated in any way with the Houma Air Base bunker.

Enclosure 25

SUBJECT : Clay L. SHAW (201-813493)

1. Summary of RI file appears in Enclosure 21 to reference.

2. The New Orleans States - Item of 2 March 1967 reported the arrest on 1 March of Clay L. SHAW and his release on bond. The article described SHAW as "a decorated Army major in World War II...."

3. The New Orleans States - Item of 3 March 1967 said that SHAW had said that he had never used the name Clay BERTRAND, that he had never met FERRIE, that he had never conspired to assassinate the President, and that he had never known OSWALD.

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Enclosure 26

SUBJECT : Edward Stewart SUGGS, alias
Jack S. MARTIN

1. RI - no record.

2. No further information.

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Enclosure 27

SUBJECT : Miguel Silva TORRES

1. RI - no record.

2. No further information.

Enclosure 28

It has been determined that the following components and individual employees of CIA are currently based in New Orleans or, as noted separately, were there in late 1963.

1. New Orleans office of Domestic Contact Service:

   a. Mr. Lloyd A. Ray.
   b. Mr. Hunter Leake.
   c. Miss Dorothy Brandao.
   d. Mr. G.D. Geisenheimer.
   e. Miss Gertrude Nagel.

   (Miss Jeanne Fernandez was also employed by this office as of November 1963, the time of the assassination.)

2. Office of Personnel:

   Mr. William Wood, a recruiter stationed in Waco, Texas, covered the New Orleans area in 1963.

3. WH/6:

   Mr. William Kent, presently in New Orleans has as office cover [redacted]

4. Office of Security:

   Mr. Chester Bolling has Department of Defense cover.