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Phil-- what do you know about this?CALL REPORTIssue # 8Document's Author: Anne Buttimer/ARRB Date Created: 06/14/95 The Players Description of the Call Date: 06/14/95Subject: Peter Ve a - Looking for New Orleans assassination recordsSummary of the Call:I called researcher Peter Ve a on June 13, 1995 (home - 703/841-1907) to seek his comments and suggestions about additional sources of assassination records in and around New Orleans. Jim DiEugenio suggested to me that I call Ve a, who is continuing to research Jim Garrison's invovlement in assassination issues along with William "Bill" Davy (see next Call Report.) Ve a said he is on his way out of town for several days but would be willing to meet with me when he returns at the end of the month. We agreed to speak at that time.He did make some general comments about assassination records in general, and said that he thinks the FBI field office in New Orleans kept two sets of books or files on all investigations. One version is what is now found in the field office investigative files and contains what the FBI wanted the outside world to think was going on; the other set, which he believes would be the 'true story about what was really going on' will be found in FBIHQ Division 5 Intelligence files.Ve a also thinks the Metropolitan Crime Commission (MCC) under its former director, Aaron Cohn, was really an FBI run and sponsored disinformation agency against Jim Garrison. He thinks MCC files should be obtained by the Board because they will show the FBI's interference with Garrison's investigation through its agent, the MCC.Ve a mentioned he is very concerned about the status of a large group of records at the Archives and is wondering if the Board has knowledge of the status of the records because when he queried Steve Tilley about the records Tilley told him the Board is handling the matter. His concerns surround RG 60, which the finding aids at Archives II describe as 62 boxes (26 cubic feet) of Mail Section files from DOJ for the years 1963-1981. He said that when you call for the boxes they are empty and do not even contain referral sheets. He thinks these files are important and should be released in full, now, because they will show a pattern of correspondence between FBIHQ and the MCC and the New Orleans field office concerning Jim Garrison's investigation.

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