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SUBJECT: Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination

I. SUMMARY

This memorandum provides information about twenty persons who have not been listed previously in this series, who are involved in the Garrison case, and who have or have claimed to have a connection with the Central Intelligence Agency. One, William Clarence WOOD, is a former staff employee.

II. PERSONNEL

1. Thomas Edward BECKHAM (aka Mark EVANS)

   a. GARRISON subpoenaed BECKHAM 30 December 1968 and an Omaha, Nebraska, judge ordered him to return to Louisiana 30 January 1968. BECKHAM says he helped Sarge ARCLA H Smith raise funds for Cuban revolutionary forces in New Orleans in 1962. BECKHAM is an entertainer- evangelist who uses the stage name of Mark EVANS.

   b. On 3 January 1968 BECKHAM allegedly told David LEWIS of New Orleans that he, BECKHAM, and a Jim LSMU "from Omaha" are agents of the CIA.

   c. RID has no record of BECKHAM.

2. Melvin BELLi

   a. BELLi was a defense attorney for Jack RUBY.

   b. Jim GARRISON was a weekend guest of BELLi when GARRISON visited San Francisco in October 1967.
c. BELLI was reportedly involved in illicit drug traffic with Morris ELWITZ in 1958. ELWITZ was a suspected contact of Lucky LUCIANO.

3. Donald Dean BOHNING (201-313709)
   a. BOHNING is the Latin American Editor of the Miami Herald. He was granted a PCSA on 21 August 1967 and a CSA on 14 November 1967. He is AMCARBON-3.
   b. BOHNING reported he was contacted on 21 March 1968 by a Winston SMITH who claimed to be investigating Rolando NASFERRER for Jim GARRISON.

4. Colonel L. Robert CASTORR
   a. Col. CASTORR allegedly met with Jack RUBY, Robert FERRIN, and others in Dallas in 1962 to plan a Cuban smuggling operation. CASTORR is also allegedly an associate of General Edwin A. FALKER. Joachim JOESTEN and others have broadly hinted that CASTORR is associated with CIA.
   b. There is no record of agency association with CASTORR. An FBI report of 13 March 1968 reported that CASTORR had lunch with Viktor I. Ivanovich MIRONOV (201-731245), a KGB officer at the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

5. Lloyd J. COBB
   a. As President of the New Orleans Trade Center, COBB was, according to Plot or Politico, the "boss" of Clay BLOW.
   b. COBB was granted a CSA on 3 October 1963 for use on a private attorney's panel for the OGC. COBB was granted a CSA on 19 June 1967 to permit contact and assessment in connection with his use on a cleared attorney's panel for the OGC.

6. Michael Charles CONLEY
   a. Michael Charles CONLEY is an apparent US government source of Robert Kenneth BROWN.
   b. A Dr. Michael R. CONLEY applied for Agency employment in 1964. Identity with a. above, has not been established.
7. Allen W. DULLES

a. GARRISON subpoenaed Mr. DULLES on 16 February 1969 as a material witness.

b. On 7 March 1969 Judge Matthew BRANIFF issued a second subpoena for Mr. DULLES.

c. On 22 May 1969 GARRISON's office accused the Justice Department of refusing to cooperate in the subpoenaing of Mr. DULLES as a witness.

3. Wieslaw CORNICKI (201-195323)

a. CORNICKI is a Polish journalist who was the author of a long article on the GARRISON investigation in "Polityka" No. 1 (566), Year XII Warsaw, 6 January 1969.

b. CORNICKI was the subject of an unsuccessful recruitment attempt in 1963 while he was a correspondent at the UN.


a. HOUTS, a former FBI agent, is the author of an article in Medical Economics 4 March 1968 which criticized the autopsy of President Kennedy.

b. HOUTS served with OSS in Burma during World War II and was involved in the misappropriation of government property. HOUTS unsuccessfully applied for Agency employment in 1952.

10. Guy Persac JOHNSON (201-207873)

a. JOHNSON was an early defense counsel for Clay SHAW.

b. A PCOA was requested 14 May 1954 for JOHNSON to be used on Guam as a contract agent for OCKODIAK (training base on Salina). The request for the PCOA was later cancelled.

11. William R. KLEIN

a. According to Plot or Politics KLEIN was an
incorporator of Friends of Democratic Cuba, along with Guy BANISTER, William DALZELL, and Grady C. DURHAM. KELIN denied contact with DURHAM, BANISTER, and friends of Democratic Cuba. He admitted association with DALZELL to set up the Free Voice of Latin America. KELIN seems to be a personal friend of Jim GARRISON.

b. KELIN applied for agency employment in 1963 but accepted a job with the US Navy General Counsel's Office.

12. Robert Evensen LEE

a. LEE was an Assistant District Attorney for Jim GARRISON from 1 January 1967 to 1 January 1969.

b. LEE applied for agency employment on 1 January 1969.

13. William Richard MARTIN (201-293516)

a. MARTIN was an Assistant District Attorney for Jim GARRISON until December 1967.

b. MARTIN was a DCS contact and source in 1964 and 1965 when he was Director of International Relations and World Trade of International House in New Orleans.

14. Relman MORIN (201-139129)

a. MORIN is the author of Assassination, a pro-Warren Commission book.

b. MORIN provided information to OSS on his internment in Indo China during the early part of World War II.

c. MORIN was considered for the job of President of the Committee for a Free Asia in 1951 and the job of President of AFRICAN (Asia Foundation) in 1953.

15. Dr. Alton OCHSNER (201-816497)

a. An FBI confidential informant reported on 29 April 1963 that Jim GARRISON believes Dr. OCHSNER was a principal involved in the conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.