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**Subject:** Clay Shaw Files

I spoke today with our contact who possesses the Clay Shaw files and he was very cooperative on the telephone. He explained the following:1. After Shaw was tried and acquitted for conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy, and following his death, Shaw's personal papers were taken from the Wegmann law offices and given to the heir to Shaw's estate. After this person died, our contact, who was the heir to that estate, took possession of the Shaw papers. He has three or four file boxes of Shaw's personal papers.2. He has the original Shaw journal with Shaw's actual handwriting on the pages. (This is contrary to what David Snyder had said. He indicated that our contact had a copy of the journal and the whereabouts of the original were not known).3. In preparation for Snyder's story in the Times Picayune last year, an expert compared the handwritten notes from the journal with Shaw's appointment books (referenced below in number 5) and concluded that they were written by the same person. 4. Shaw dictated into a Dictaphone and then a woman transcribed the from the Dictaphone recordings. Shaw would then make handwritten edits on what the woman had transcribed onto typed pages. The Dictaphone disks are not with the Shaw materials. The woman is deceased. According to our contact, the woman's husband did not find the disks among her possessions.5. Other items in the Shaw collection include: several of Shaw's appointment books with meetings noted and cryptic handwritten notes he made on the daily calendars, newspaper clippings magazine articles, and letters he had received. We are free to review the materials at his Mississippi residence and take possession of whatever we believe is relevant to add to the JFK Collection. I told our contact that I would get back to him by the end of the week to advise him what we intend to do.

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