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reference to this matter in a book on the assassination. Certainly, such a tape would be of interest to us. As with all matters involving the potential existence of assassination records, we would be interested in additional substantive information, if anyone could provide it. Dear ARRB, I believe you will find this forwarded message to be of interest. Has the board heard of this tape? If so, is there any effortbeing made to obtain it? To find out who the unnamed journalistwas/is?Mike GriffithFORWARDED MAIL ------From: wparker@kendaco.telebyte.netDate: 03 Jul 96Originally To: restech@bayarea.netI recently received an audio tape of a phone conversation, recorded in 1978, between an unidentified someone in the media and Jim Garrison, in which they discussed the HSCA, Prof. Blakey, and the New Orleans investigation. The media guys main concern was getting the word out that Blakey was a cover-up artist. Garrison states on the tape that HSCA investigators were recently in New Orleans and OBTAINED A TAPED INTERVIEW WITH A CONFESSED ACCESSORY to the conspiracy to assassinate JFK. See transcript below. I am asking for help in answering some important questions raised by this tape. In keeping with my policy of full disclosure in the pursuit of truth, I am sharing all I know about this, as I will about any JFK docs I have or research I have done. I only hope someone else out there has, and will volunteer, the "rest of the story" so to speak. Please don't direct me to Lisa Pease as she has told me she will not help me.I got this tape from Mike Ray, a long time researcher from Grand Rapids, Michigan, who is providing a service to the research community by making available his collection of JFK audio tapes at a very reasonable price. He recently circulated an electronic flyer on the internet. There are some VERY significant things on this tape, the most important of which I will now describe: Garrison stated in this taped phone conversation that the HSCA investigators had come to New Orleans and made significant progress, beyond what he had made, in uncovering evidence of a conspiracy to murder President Kennedy. The media guy (X) was talking about how some of the people on the Committee (i.e. Rep. Dodd) had said that they had seen no evidence of conspiracy. Garrison became quite agitated:G: They have meetings in

which they're discussing the assassination!X: Pardon me?G: They have meetings in which they're specifically discussing the assassination! With Shaw and Ferrie present! Details!X: Details. You're talking about the Perry Raymond Russo thing?G: Huh?X: You're talking about...G: No, no! Since then! They've gone beyond that! X: Beyond that.G: Into new areas we hadn't reached yet!X: hmm...G: We had the right people but we didn't have all their meetings. People present at the meetings.X goes on to say that Mark Lane told him that Rep. Dodd (who told X that he had personally selected Blakey) was "probably on the other side." [You may recall that

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