

To Quin Shea from Harold Weisberg, JFK assassination records appeals 6/18/79  
New Orleans office- Gordon Novel; referrals; worksheets (78-0249)

Attached is a copy of ~~the~~ worksheets<sup>a</sup> for 89-69, Section 22. I believe I had intended this to accompany a Novel appeal that is among the large batch I mailed to you this morning. Although here the records<sup>2015</sup> is listed as a referral to the CIA and recently Mr. Bresson wrote to tell me that the CIA is among the agencies that has not acted on referrals, in fact an excised copy is in the Section and I've~~nt~~ sent you a copy.

From the record and from the actualities there would appear to be no reason to refer this record to the CIA. There is no information in it that originates with the CIA. And Novel himself is the original source of the representation that he had a CIA connection. This goes back to at least 1967 in the newspapers and it is included in a book I completed by that April.

Quite a large number of records holding similar allegations and representations relating to Novel were disclosed without referral.

This raises questions about the true nature and intent of referrals and about the integrity of the processing worksheets.

With Serial 2015 disclosed with excision if there was any referral to the CIA there is the additional question worksheet integrity in not disclosing it in the column for the actual number of pages.