74 ((9-29-65) Domestic Intelligence Division INFORMATIVE NOTE 4/12/67. Date _ • • • • • • Gordon Novel, referred to in attached, has previously contacted the New Orleans Office and other FBI Offices and furnished rather nonspecific information indicating that he has proof that Jim Garrison's Kennedy assassination probe is a hoax. He has made similar allegations to the news media, and on at least one occasion promised to hold a press conference at which time he would publicly expose Garrison as a fraud. He failed to hold such press conference. Novel was recently arrested on a warrant obtained by Garrison charging him with participation in a burglary in 1961 at a former air base at Houma, Louisiana. He has previously complained that Garrison has kept several of his (Novel's) friends, including Ranny Ehlinger, mentioned in attached, under constant surveillance and has been "leaning heavily" on them in an effort to get information about Novel. The information in attached will be furnished to the Department. TJS:ts