

Transcript of Written Draft of Letter
Found in Apartment of Gordon Novel After
His Departure from the City

Dear Mr. Weiss:

This letter is to inform you that District (sic) Jim Garrison has subpoenaed myself and an associate to testify before His Grand Jury on matters which may be classified TOP SECRET. Actions of individuals connected with DOUBLE-CHEK CORPORATION in Miami in first quarter of 1961.

We have no current contact available to inform of this situation. So I took the liberty of writing you direct and apprising you of current situation. Expecting you to forward this through appropriate channels.

Our connection and activity of that period involves individuals presently ... about to be indicted as conspirators in Mr. Garrison's investigation.

We have temporarily avoided one subpoena not to reveal Double-Chek activities or associate them with this mess. We want out of this thing before Thursday 3/ /67. Our attorneys have been told to expect another subpoena to appear and testify on this matter. The fifth amendment and/or immunity (and) legal tactics will not suffice.

Mr. Garrison is in possession of unsworn portions of this testimony. He is unaware of Double-Chek's involvement in this matter but has strong suspicions. I have been questioned extensively by local FBI recently as to whether or not I was involved with Double-Chek's parent-holding corporation during that time. My reply on five queries was negative. Bureau unaware of Double-Chek association in this matter. Our attorneys and others are in possession of complete sealed files containing all information concerning matter. In the event of our sudden departure, either accidental or otherwise, they are instructed to simultaneously release same for public scrutiny in different areas simultaneously.

Appropriate counteraction relative to Garrison's inquisition concerning us may best be handled through military channels vis (a) vis D.I.A. man. Garrison is presently Colonel in Louisiana Army National Guard and has ready reserve status. Contact may be had through our attorneys of current record Plotkin, Alvarez, Sapir.

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Dear Mr. Mess

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equipment and facilities to which
only to be found in the world
I am sure you will be interested to
know that I have a number of
copies of the "Journal of the
American Medical Association" for
you to read.

These are the same reports of
which appeared in the "Journal"
of 1951. Printed by the
The American Medical Association

[The following text is extremely faint and illegible, appearing to be a list or detailed notes.]



I have been thinking of you
 and wondering how you are
 getting on. I hope you are
 well and happy. I have been
 very busy lately but I
 will try to get some time
 to write to you again.