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Mr. Robert E. Rightmyer Special Agent in Charge, New Orleans Office Federal Bureau of Investigation 701 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rightmyer:

Several days ago we obtained what appears to be the initial draft of a letter written by Gordon Novel shortly before his recent departure from New Orleans. This draft was written on yellow paper in pencil and appears to be an initial formulation of a letter which he subsequently wrote for mailing. I notice in his letter a reference to inquiries by the Bureau with regard to the Double-Chek Corporation which he mentions. Consequently, I am enclosing for your information a photostat of the handwritten draft as well as our typewritten transcript.

I am sure that you are much more familiar with Double-Chek than we are but we have noted that in "The Invisible Government", the recent book by Wise and Ross about the C.I.A., Double-Chek is mentioned on pages 79, 80, 86-89, 93-95, 156 and 263.

As you will note, the photostat of the handwritten draft is not very distinct. If you desire, I will be happy to make the original draft available for inspection by a representative of your office or we can photograph copies and send them to you.

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I will be happy to make available to the Bureau any other information which we may have which may be of service in this connection.

Sincerely,

JIM GARRISON District Attorney