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On August 7, 1967, Mr. Gordon D. Novel telephonically contacted a Special Agent of this Bureau stationed at Cocoa, Florida. Mr. Novel has been prominently mentioned in news media in connection with the investigation of District Attorney James Garrison, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.

Mr. Novel advised that he had been instructed by Mr. Kossack, Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, through the American Civil Liberties Union to turn over any information he developed regarding James Garrison to the nearest FBI office. Mr. Novel stated he will be residing at Cocoa Beach for the next six weeks and desired to turn over information to the Resident Agency at Cocoa, Florida.

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On August 8, 1967, Mr. Kossack informed Special Agent William A. Branigan of this Bureau that he had told a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union that if Gordon Novel had any information regarding the misuse of process by District Attorney Garrison, such information could be furnished to the nearest office of the FBI. Mr. Kossack stated that he did not say or imply that the Bureau or the Department of Justice was conducting any investigation of District Attorney Garrison. Mr. Kossack requested that any information made available by Gordon Novel be accepted without comment and be forwarded to the appropriate division in the Department.

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Personnel of this Bureau have been so advised.

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Personnel should have been told A.C.L.U. is sending material to Dept. of Justice. FBI needs an intermediary for A.C.L.U. Novel. Don't Kossack.

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